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DELAWARE COUNTY FARMERS' INSTITUTE

FARMERS ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT COURT HOUSE LAST WEEK.

JAMES M. STEWART SUCCEEDS

One of the Pioneer Residents of This County Passes Away at Home in This City.

The annual session of the Delaware County Farmers' Institute was held in this city, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week. The institute this year was an exceptionally successful one from every standpoint, and the officers are to be congratulated for the efficient manner in which the institute was handled.

Wednesday Morning.
The morning was given over to the registration of the several classes and the entering of specimens in the grain contest, the dairy cattle entries having been made at the Novelty Stables on Monday, according to the rules of that competition.

Wednesday Afternoon.
The afternoon session was opened by Rev. W. H. Ensign, who offered the invocation. The Misses May and Mildred Noble, two small pupils in Mrs. E. A. Durey's class in piano study, played a duet number, and Miss Elva Acres gave a recitation following the invocation, the three selections winning generous encores.

In the absence of the speakers who were to have discussed the topics, "Culture and Marketing of Potatoes," the subject was taken up by Mr. A. E. Mead. Although he spoke without preparation, Mr. Mead has had much success with the crop, and his practical suggestions along the lines of growing and marketing potatoes in this county were listened to with interest.

At the conclusion of Mr. Mead's talk, Mrs. E. A. Durey sang "A Garland of Old Fashioned Roses," and responded with an encore. The vocal numbers were among the treats of the afternoon program.

"Commercial Fertilizers—Shall We or Shall We Not Use Them?" was discussed by Prof. Berger as the next feature of the afternoon program, his address upon soils and the preparation of the ground for cropping holding the closest attention of the attendance for an hour or more. Short talks were also given by Mr. F. L. Gregor and Mr. F. L. Durey, who followed Prof. Berger prior to a general discussion of the topic.

Capt. J. F. Merry, Sen. E. H. Hoyt and Rep. E. C. Perkins gave discussions of the good roads question as the closing numbers of the program. That Delaware county should build permanent roadways, was the argument of each speaker, and statistics were offered and instances of successful road building elsewhere were advanced to prove that the permanent highway is the only practicable and, in the end, the only economical solution of the problem.

George H. Barr was called upon to give a talk on "The Farmer and the Automobile." An address followed by A. H. Johnson upon "American Citizenship," a very much enjoyed feature of the session. An instrumental selection by Miss Margaret Jones and a recitation by Miss Dorothy Munroe also delightfully contributed to the enjoyment of the program.

Thursday Morning.
The morning's session opened with a series of talks upon swine breeding by Roy J. Duffy and L. S. Fisher, Delaware county breeders whose herds have been prize winners at state and county fairs for a good many years. Prof. Berger also outlined a system for the feeding and preparation of the thoroughbred and of the porker for the market.

Thursday Afternoon.
The Thursday afternoon session was opened with an invocation by Rev. J. F. Moore, and music was afterward furnished by Jess G. Lewis' player piano.

Mr. Hugh G. Van Pelt of Waterloo gave a very interesting talk on farming and dairying, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. He told of the prosperity of the present day farmer, and gave some especially fine instructions regarding the care and feeding of the cow. In speaking on this subject Mr. Van Pelt said: "If you really wish to know as much about your cows as you can know; if you really wish to know as much about feeding your cows as you can know, study the cow. No doubt you have an individual cow on your farm that you can study, and I tell you, you will know more about the feeding and care of them in the next 365 days than you ever have before. I am honest when I tell you that the greatest lessons I have ever learned have been from the cows themselves."

Mr. Van Pelt then compared the farms of the South with the farms of this county and said that for the great many years the people of the south were under the impression that they could not raise anything on their land but cotton. In those days the farmer who would be pressed for money in the winter would go to the bank, the banker would ask him how many acres of cotton

he was going to raise next year. If the answer would be 100 acres the banker would say as right, you can have as much money as you want. The following year when the cotton was brought to the mill the banker followed him down, and perhaps a dry goods merchant, and they took their share out of the money. The cotton would bring and the farmer got the remainder and felt satisfied with it. In recent years the farmers of that county have put some of their land into corn, and it is found that they can raise from 57 to 67 bushels of corn to the acre, and in some places they are raising corn at the rate of 100 bushels to the acre, but the people of the south were never willing to do it until they were compelled to.

He said he was frank to say that if he had a farm in this section of the country, the first thing he would do would be to put out a few rows of corn. He would sow it at a seed, and would sow it at a seed of the land to cover for feeding purposes. He urged on all the farmers of this section to sow at least one acre of their land in sweet clover.

Mr. W. F. Cronkey and Mr. W. J. Davis very ably discussed "Co-operative Creameries, Organization and Management." Mr. W. A. Rutledge of Des Moines then read a very interesting paper on "Farmers' Mutual Insurance."

The Misses Gail Bronson and Mae Jones delivered recitations in a very pleasing manner. The committee on selection of officers and resolutions was announced by President A. E. Mead as follows: W. V. Childs, Charles Edwards, and Mrs. Evald Sabin.

The members of the committee on resolutions were Mrs. Frank Lawrence, Fred Durey and Mrs. C. J. Johnson.

Thursday Evening.
Mr. A. M. Cloud gave an exceedingly interesting talk on "How Can We Handle With Profit?" Delaware County Farm Lands at Their High Prices." After Mr. Cloud's talk J. Van Pelt of Waterloo thoroughly discussed the subject of "Dairying."

Friday Morning.
Friday was ladies' day and the morning session was opened with an instrumental duet by Misses Dorothy Brown and Nellie Scott.

Mrs. Bays of Ames then gave a discussion on domestic science, saying that domestic science as a study takes up those things relating to the home, the management of the home, and the social duties connected with the home, and is absolutely necessary for keeping the body in health, and should be given a great deal of attention, and ought to be given the first place, because what the body demands we must give it in order to keep it up. She very thoroughly discussed the different classes of foods.

Friday Afternoon.
Misses Mae Jones and Leona Hipson opened the afternoon program with an instrumental duet, after which Mrs. Frank Lawrence read the resolutions of thanks which were adopted by the committee. Mrs. R. W. Tirrell then read a paper describing a trip to Panama, which proved very interesting as well as instructive.

Mrs. E. W. Williams favored the institute with a vocal solo in her usual pleasing manner. Recitations were delivered by Misses Laura Blair and Lucy Robinson and were greatly enjoyed by all. The Institute was then favored with an instrumental duet by Misses Gladys Sabin and Alice Wolcott. Miss Clara Childs then read a paper on "Conveniences for the Farm Home," which was followed by one hour demonstration in cooking by Mrs. Bays.

At a business meeting of the Institute the following officers were chosen for the coming year: A. E. Mead, president; Frank Sly, secretary; F. K. Orier, vice president; Fred Munson, treasurer.

The winners in the cow contest were as below:
Class 1—Pure Bred Holsteins.
Cows advanced in their lactation periods more than forty days were given handicaps varying from 3 per cent when fifty days had passed from the date of freshening to 52 per cent when the period had extended 180 days.

First—Entry by F. A. Mead: 147 pounds milk, 5.47 pounds butter fat, 141.83 pounds skimmed milk, the handicap, \$1.99, value of milk and fat production.

115.69 pounds skimmed milk; value of milk and fat production, with handicap, \$1.88.
Second—Entry by H. J. Sabin: 102.5 pounds milk, 4.51 pounds butter fat, 98 pounds skimmed milk, value of milk and fat production, with handicap, \$1.60.

Third—Entry by H. C. Smith: 81 pounds milk, 3.52 pounds butter fat, 77 pounds skimmed milk, value of milk and butter fat production with handicap, \$1.25.
Fourth—Entry by Mr. Belknap: 53 pounds milk, 2.2 pounds butter fat, 51 pounds skimmed milk, value of milk and butter fat production, with handicap, 80c.

Sweepstakes.
The sweep stake was won by cow belonging to A. E. Mead which took first prize in the Grade Holstein class. The prize being \$20.00 cash. The butter fat for this contest was figured at 30c per pound and the skimmed milk at 25c per hundred pounds.

The following is a list of the prize winners in the corn contest:
Class A.
Yellow, 20 ears—C. A. Swindell, first; C. W. Swindell, second; no third contestant.

White, 20 ears—C. W. Swindell, first; C. A. Swindell, second; no third contestant.

Other than white or yellow, 10 ears—C. A. Swindell, first; Thos. Andrews, second; C. A. Swindell, third.

Single ear, any color—Gladys Bailey, first; no other awards.

Class B.
Yellow, 10 ears—Jas. Emerson, first; Will Jones, second; Geo. Wasink, third.

Other than yellow, 10 ears—W. B. Robinson, first; Clark Durham, second; Herman Thiel, third; Will Jones, fourth.

Class C.
Any color, 10 ears—Milton Robinson, first; Gladys Bailey, second; Anthony Robinson, third; Lucy Robinson, fourth.

Class D.
20 ears, any color or variety field corn, C. A. Swindell, first.

Class A was confined to professional contestants, class B to the amateurs and class C to the boys and girls under 18 years of age. In the domestic science contest the prizes were also awarded Friday, Miss Bays acting as the judge. The contests were limited to bread baking competitions which were divided into two classes. The winners were as follows:
Manchester Mills Contest.
Miss Margaret Jones, first; Mrs. J. Provan, second.

Cream Flour Contest.
Miss Margaret Jones, first; Miss Nell Powers, second; Mrs. Samantha Skinner, third.

Boys' Judging Contest.
The following are the winners and prizes in the boys' cow judging contest:
First—Dale Childs, \$5.00 cash, F. C. Barger & Co., New York; score 86 1-2.

Second—Austin Mead, \$5.00 overcoat at Gildner Bros.; score 86.
Third—Claude Clute, \$2.50 in trade at Snodgrass Clothing store; score 86.

Fourth—Joseph Thompson, \$1.00 cash, score 83.
Fifth—Cerrill Smith, \$1.00; score 81.
Sixth—Roger Lawrence, \$1.00 cash, score 80 1-2.

JAMES M. STEWART.
The death of James M. Stewart, which occurred in this city last Saturday, January 20th, marks the passing of another Delaware county pioneer.

Mr. Stewart was born in Pennsylvania, August 8th, 1829 and was 82 years, 5 months and 12 days old at the time of his death. He moved from his native state to Iowa in 1856, settling first on a farm in Jackson county, from which he removed in 1863 to Delaware county, where he has since resided. He is survived by his wife, Edna, and the following named children: Mrs. L. E. Bryan of St. Louis; Mrs. Edna Hersh of San Jose, California; Walter R. Stewart of Pittsburgh, Pa.; and Henry Stewart, J. H. Stewart and Miss Jennie Stewart, of this city.

Mr. Stewart walked down town on Thursday of the week preceding his death, and was confined to his bed but four days. Erysipelas was the immediate cause of his demise, but his many years had so weakened his vital forces that they readily yielded to the malady.

Mr. Stewart was a good citizen, was one of those sturdy farmers who helped to change Iowa from a dreary, uninhabited prairie to a land of comfortable homes and happy progressive citizens.

MRS. GEORGE H. DUTTON.

Miss Elizabeth Ellison was born in Washington county, Ohio, January 28, 1836, and died at her home in this city January 20th, 1912, after a prolonged illness. She was united in marriage with George H. Dutton, January 10, 1856. Shortly after their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Dutton moved to a farm near Buck Creek and resided there until a few years ago, when they removed to this city. Besides her husband, Mrs. Dutton is survived by the following children: Charles E. Dutton of Minneapolis, Minnesota; E. A. Dutton, Mrs. E. Dunlap and K. Stanbury, Mrs. O. E. Dunlap and Mrs. Maurice Hennessey of this city. The funeral services were held from the home Monday afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. J. F. Black assisted by Rev. W. H. Ensign officiated. Interment was made in Oakland cemetery.

The deceased was a devoted wife and mother, a kind neighbor and a true friend, and had a wide circle of intimate friends in this vicinity who sincerely mourn with the bereaved relatives in their sad loss.

BAD RAILROAD WRECK ON I. C.

Ex-President Harahan, of the Illinois Central; Frank O. Melcher, second vice president of the Rock Island; E. B. Pierce, general solicitor of the Rock Island, and Eldridge E. Wright, son of Luke E. Wright, former secretary of war, were killed in a rear end collision on the Illinois Central near Centralia early Monday morning. Those killed were riding in Mr. Melcher's private car, which was attached to the rear end of the New Orleans express, a train composed of heavy steel coaches. This train was delayed in taking water at a little station called Kimbundy, and while there it was run into by the Panama limited, a train composed entirely of heavy Pullman sleeping cars.

When a comparatively light wood coach forms part of a train made up of heavier and stronger cars, it becomes a veritable death trap in the event of a collision with another train composed of strong heavy coaches.

DELAWARE COUNTY FARM SELLS FOR \$215.00 PER ACRE.

Dr. N. D. Wilson has sold the Some farm recently purchased by him from W. O. Somes to Fred J. Stevenson of Lamont at a price approximating \$215.00 per acre. The farm consists of sixty acres lying within the city limits. Mr. Stevenson, the purchaser, takes immediate possession, but will not occupy the place until next fall, when it is understood that he will use the premises as a dairy farm.

JUSTICE CISTER TIES KNOT.

Frank E. Coe and Vera Gibbs, both of Earlville, were united in marriage by Justice George S. Lister Wednesday January 17, 1912.

HOW SEVERAL IOWA CITIES HAVE REDUCED THE COST OF LIVING.

In the February Woman's Home Companion there is a splendid article showing how the cost of living is being reduced in several cities and towns of Iowa by the establishment of local open markets where producers and consumers are brought to deal directly with each other. Des Moines, Cedar Rapids, Waterloo and other progressive cities and towns have made the venture with success. Of the establishment made in Des Moines, the author reports in part as follows:

"The city council, with many doubts as to the result, ordered a miniature park adjoining the old city hall to be thrown open to the gardeners and farmers of the vicinity for use as a curb market."

"Wagons were made by city officials that there would not be five teams at the market the first day, and, indeed, there were but eleven. Citizens visited the market place more out of curiosity than with a desire to patronize it, but the movement gained from day to day until, after two weeks, the line of wagons overflowed the little park and finally covered six city blocks.

"One noticeable result of the new market is that the nearby producer finds a better market with better prices, and at the same time the cost of such produce is greatly reduced for the consumers. The producers claim that through the system operated by the commission houses the sale of home grown products was discouraged, and at times no market at all was to be found for the local farmer, or that the prices offered were so extremely low as to discourage the home market."

"The following are quotations obtained from day to day since the market has been opened, showing cost in prices:

"Groceries: Prices Current—Milk, 8c per quart; cabbage, 10c per head; potatoes, 80c per dozen; cantaloupes, 15c each; eggs, 28c per dozen; corn, 20c per dozen; chickens (N. Y.), dressed, \$1; grapes, 30c per basket; plums, 90c per basket.

THE LOCAL NEWS OF THE WEEK

WHAT MANCHESTER PEOPLE ARE DOING AT HOME AND ABROAD.

REVIEW AND FORECAST OF EVENTS

Items of a Personal and General Nature Picked Up About Town.

—M. F. Le Roy and E. M. Carr were business visitors in Waterloo Monday.

—W. L. Davis goes to Chicago the latter part of this week on a brief business trip.

—John Seelye of Waverly was an over Sunday visitor with relatives and friends in this city.

—A masquerade skits will be given at the Central Opera house on Friday evening, February 2nd.

—Mrs. A. N. Billingsley was entertained at the home of Mrs. T. J. Hamilton at Hopkinton part of last week.

—There will be a regular communication of Manchester Lodge, No. 165 A. F. & A. M., on Saturday evening of this week.

—Miss Wilma Richardson returned to Ames on Wednesday morning to resume her studies at the Iowa State College.

—George Severance departed Sunday for Mexico, New York, where he will spend two weeks visiting relatives and friends.

—Al J. Thorpe of Waterloo was a guest at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Thorpe, the latter part of last week.

—Mrs. Etta Reeves returned home from Dubuque Monday afternoon, concluding a brief visit with relatives in that city.

—County Clerk Graham issued one marriage license during the past week to John Matusch, aged 54, and Miss Ella Straub, aged 26.

—Gus Barr and son Dan go to Rochester, Minnesota, next Monday, where the latter will submit to an operation for appendicitis.

—J. J. Schacherer of Edgewood and John Schacherer of Dyersville spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Schacherer.

—Mrs. M. H. Williston will be hostess on next Monday evening to the Thirteen Club. The Thackeray program will be continued at this meeting.

—The City Charitable Circle will meet with Mrs. M. S. Van Auker on next Friday, January 26. All members should be present as there is an important business to be transacted.

—Miss Minnie Hahney departed on Monday for Des Moines, where she will enjoy a two weeks visit at the home of Miss Mable True. Before returning home she will also visit with friends in Waterloo.

—A dance will be given at the Opera house in this city St. Valentine's day, February 14th. Carpenter's orchestra has been secured for the event and those who attend are assured of a very pleasant time.

—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tierney, who have been spending several months in this city as guests at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. J. C. Roney, leave next month for their home in Deadwood, South Dakota.

—Samuel Krall, who was operated on for appendicitis by Dr. Guthrie of Dubuque at Park View hospital in this city Friday, is getting along as well as could be expected, news of many friends will be glad to learn.

—After a vacation visit of several weeks in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Davis, Harry Davis departed Thursday for Ames to resume his studies in the state college, where he is pursuing an agricultural course.

—The Ladies of Maccabees are anticipating a pleasant time at the K. P. Hall tomorrow evening, when installation of newly elected officers for the ensuing year will take place. They will have as their out of town guests, Ladies Pettit and Perkins of Waterloo and Lady Webb of Cedar Rapids.

—Wayne Smith, who has been employed on the Wells Fargo Express wagon in this city, met with a distressing accident in the freight room at the M. & O. depot Saturday morning while waiting for express on a train that was backing into the yards. He was leaning against a rafter and as he stepped forward, it fell and threw him and as a result broke his leg in two places.

—Harry Scythorn spent Thursday with friends in Waterloo.

—Lovett & Davis advertise timely seed for sale. Read their ad.

—Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stone of Delhi were Manchester visitors last week.

—Mrs. E. N. Wolcott spent Thursday as a guest of friends at Dubuque.

—The special discount sale on suits and overcoats at Gillner's will continue all this week and close Saturday, January 27. For special bargain prices read their ad in this issue.

DECLAMATORY CONTEST.
The fifth annual declamatory contest will be held at the City Opera House on Friday evening of this week. Twelve students will enter the competition to contest for the honor of representing the local school in the Northeastern Iowa Declamatory contest. The program will be as follows:

Musical: High school girls' glee club.
Dramatic Contest.
Mob Scene from "Ben Hur" . . . Miss Grace Wolcott
. . . Miss Zazel Evans
The Swan Song . . . Miss Inez Walker
The Innmate from the Dungeon . . . Miss Hazel Adams
When Love and Duty Meet . . . Miss Mona Goodwin
The Going of the White Swan . . . Miss Isa Phelps
The Lost Word . . . Miss Gail Bronson
Musical—trumpet solo . . . W. W. White
Humorous Contest.
Grandpa and Grandma Keeler . . . Miss Lucy Robinson
The Hazing of Valiant . . . Miss Marjorie Minkler
Lucy Dill's Wedding . . . Miss Mable Pogue
The Lady Across the Aisle . . . Miss Amy Rann
The Absent Guest . . . Miss Dorothy Minkler
Musical: High school girls' chorus.
Decision of Judge.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.
John C. Fangmann and wife to John B. Wiskus. Sw 1-4 of sec 1-4 of se 1-4 of sec 12, twp 90, range 10. Consideration, \$600.00.

Ernest A. Perry and wife to Sherman Harris. Land in sec 28, twp 89, range 6. Consideration, \$1. Margaret E. Kirk to Henry Heuser. Lots 2, 3 and 4, block 8, in F. A. Densmore's addition to Edgewood. Consideration, \$300.00.

E. A. Gosting to Wesley B. Miller. No 1-4 of lot 21, Iowa Land Co. addition to Manchester. Consideration, \$176.55.

MRS. FRANCES SANNER.
Mrs. Frances Sanner died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Sarah Rejes, near Delhi, Tuesday morning, January 23, 1912. The deceased had been in ill health for the past three months. She was born in Pennsylvania, April 12, 1825, and moved to this county in 1876, where she has since resided. Her husband preceded her in death nine years ago and she is survived by the following children: Frances Kneib, Erie, Pennsylvania; Ellen Lux, Hopkinton; Henry Sanner, Brunswick, Neb.; Mrs. Anna Hull, Hudson, Wyoming; Sarah Rejes, Delhi; and J. P. Sanner, Farley.

The funeral services will be held at the Catholic church in Delhi on Thursday at 10 a. m., Rev. Father Collins, officiating. Interment will be made in the Delhi cemetery. The bereaved relatives have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

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TO RENT house on east side of river, for occupancy March 1st. Inquire at this office.

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NOTICE.
General Delivery and Light Drayage—I have changed my flag station from Cal Atkinson's store to Lafferty's store, phone 254, also all orders left at Kelsor Bros.' feed store will receive prompt attention. Residence phone 192. 4-2moe. J. G. PROWSE.

ESTRAY NOTICE.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, residing on the Chris Jordison farm in Coffins Grove township, five miles southeast of Manchester, 3 miles southeast of Masonville, has on the above premises, one stray red and white heifer with a mark on the tip of right ear. T. W. HEYDEN.

AUCTION SALE.
J. C. Barr will hold an auction sale at his place in Honey Creek township on February 20. 4-2wks.

Dr. Shallenberger:
I had been bothered for years with deafness, after taking your course of treatment and having my throat operated upon I can say my hearing is fine. I am glad to say that you fulfilled every promise made to me. Fred Werning, Newall, Iowa.

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