

## HANDSOME NEW CHURCH DEDICATED

### IMPRESSIVE CEREMONIES MARK FORMAL OPENING OF NEW CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

#### ABLE CLERGYMEN GIVE ADDRESS

Pagant, "Faith of Our Fathers," Was Declared Successful. Church Dedicated Without Appeal for Funds

The dedicatory services of the new building of the First Congregational church of this city began last Thursday evening, and continued until Sunday evening. Since the destruction of the building in 1916, the congregation has held its meetings in the court house and later in the basement rooms of the new building. The task of erecting a suitable building has been difficult under war conditions and the period of readjustment, but the new building was dedicated free from debt, and what is more, without the customary appeal for funds on the day of dedication. The beautiful new building is a source of pride to the members and friends of the society and their success in building it and dedicating it free from debt in spite of many adverse conditions, is a notable achievement for which much credit is due the pastor, Rev. H. L. Goughnour, who in the few months of his pastorate has united the organization and directed their efforts and inspired much of the enthusiasm which is in evidence in the society at the present time.

In the not distant future the church will also install a pipe organ, a large part of the necessary funds already being subscribed.

On Thursday evening a pagant, "Faith of our Fathers," was given under the direction of Miss Josephine Hutchinson in which were shown incidents in the history of the Pilgrims in Holland; their decision to come to America; their landing at Plymouth Rock; the later adventuring of settlers into the western country, and their erection of a church building as their first business after locating in the new country. Vocal solos by Mrs. Robert Harris and Miss Emma Jaycox; the interpretative readings by Mrs. A. W. Stearns; remarks by Judge George W. Dunham, and the chorus singing added much to the success of the pictorial history of the local church.

On Friday evening in the church parlors the ladies served a delicious dinner to the members and friends of the church, and at 7:45 a program of reminiscences was given in the new auditorium. Rev. H. L. Goughnour, the pastor, presided at the meeting as toastmaster, and called upon Judge George W. Dunham, who told many interesting facts about the founding of the church, and the early history of the city of Manchester, and how this place finally procured its name, "Manchester."

The next speaker on the program was Mrs. Sarah Bradley, who gave sketches of the outstanding factors in the lives of the pastors who served the church in an early day. Mrs. Frank Wilson sang a solo number in her charming manner. Mrs. Wilson's solo showed that the new church building has remarkable acoustic properties, making music especially pleasing to the ear.

A. O. Stanger gave a spicy and witty talk, concluding with a presentation, on behalf of the board of trustees, of a handsome leather covered rocking chair to Mr. John Graham, who had been in charge of the building of the church and has given almost his whole time to the work for many months. Mr. Graham was greatly affected at this evidence of the appreciation of his work and expressed his thanks in appropriate words.

Mrs. A. O. Stanger then spoke of the work of the women of the church, showing that the men have often times been rather negligent when real work was done, and while her talk was full of wit and humor she paid affectionate tribute to the many noble women who have been active in the work of the church and the community, and who have passed to their reward. In referring to the devoted women of the past Mrs. Stanger announced that arrangements had been made to have the old bell, which was cracked by falling when the building was destroyed, recast and hung in the belfry in memory of Blanche T. Herman, her sister, Lillian Terrill, so long the faithful organist, and her father, the late A. B. Terrill, who served the church in an official capacity for so many years, and gave largely to its support.

Rev. W. J. Suckow, who was pastor of the local church, when the former building was destroyed in 1916, spoke on "The Baptism of Fire." Rev. Mr. Suckow's address was one of the ablest given during the entire series of meetings in connection with the dedication. In his talk Mr. Suckow congratulated the church upon having successfully met the test and their demonstration of strength and stamina in retaining their organization and rebuilding their church in spite of adverse conditions. His able talk was a fitting climax to a most inspiring and helpful program.

Another feature which attracted the visitors' attention was the large number of pictures of pastors and members and friends of the church who served the organization in an early day. The display was neatly arranged

## POLITICAL RALLY.

Hon. Claude R. Porter, democratic candidate for the United States Senate, will address the voters of Delaware County at the court house in Manchester, Iowa, on Thursday evening, September 23rd. All are cordially invited.

by Miss Belle Bailey, who had spent much time in collecting these pictures and which proved so much interest to all.

On Sunday morning the dedicatory services proper began. A large audience was in attendance to hear President Main of Grinnell college, who delivered a masterly discourse. President Main was followed by Dr. Johnson, Superintendent of the Congregational Conference of Iowa. Dr. Johnson, in a most impressive manner, dedicated the new building.

During the morning service Mrs. R. G. Harris sang "Open the Gates of the Temple," in her charming manner, and to the delight of the vast audience. The chorus choir, under the direction of Mr. H. L. Rann, gave Gilbert's anthem, "Except the Lord Build the House." This number was also given in a very pleasing manner. Mrs. H. L. Rann, Mrs. Harris and Mr. Clarence Brown sang the solo parts in the anthem.

In the evening the closing service was held, and the large auditorium was filled. The choir rendered that favorite anthem, "Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem," and the solo parts in this number were sung by Mrs. M. J. Yoran. Miss Emma Jaycox delighted the audience with a solo number, "I Will Lift Up Mine Eyes."

Rev. H. L. Goughnour then called upon the pastors of the Manchester churches, who responded with fraternal greetings from their various churches. Rev. J. H. Moehl, of the Lutheran church, was obliged to send his regrets, on account of being called to his former home at Preston, Iowa, but Rev. S. R. Beatty of the Methodist church and Rev. Mr. Knapp of the Presbyterian church, responded.

The principal speakers of the evening were Rev. Fred J. Clark of the First Congregational church of Waterloo, who gave a very interesting and helpful address on the subject: "The Church and Civilization." Following the very able sermon, Dr. E. F. Milligan, of the First Congregational church of Dubuque, delivered one of the most inspiring addresses given in Manchester in many a day. His subject was: "Christianity in Action, the Challenge of Our Times." Dr. Milligan and Rev. Mr. Clark are two of the prominent men of the Congregational denomination in Iowa, and in the delivery of their able addresses they made a lasting impression upon the people of this place, who heard them.

This brief account of the dedication services would not be complete without saying a word about the work of the church organist, Mrs. C. G. Yoran, who gave so generously of her time in preparing for the programs, and who presided so ably at the piano during the three days' programs. We hope that ere long the people of Manchester may have the pleasure of listening to the beautiful pipe organ which is to be installed, and which will be played by Mrs. Yoran.

With the closing of the Sunday evening services, came to a happy culmination the ambitions and aspirations of the people of the Congregational church, who have labored under serious handicaps for nearly four years. Now that the task of building is completed the organization will be able to devote all of its energies to the greater work for which the Congregational church has always stood.

## BUCK CREEK VOTES FOR CONSOLIDATION.

The enterprising neighborhood of Buck Creek voted on the question of school consolidation and by a margin of 57 votes decided in favor of the project. There were 215 votes cast at the election. The exact location of the new school has not been determined at this time, but will likely be in the neighborhood of the Buck Creek church. The good people of Buck Creek are wide-awake and enterprising, and have taken a decided step forward in voting in favor of better school facilities for their children.

## FORD DEALERS OF THE COUNTY MEET HERE.

J. M. Jones & Sons of this city are entertaining all of the Ford dealers of Delaware County, and the bankers of the county who are backing the dealers financially, at a banquet to be given at Keckler's restaurant this evening. In the evening the Ford agents will meet in the Armory to discuss their problems incident to selling the machines, etc. The Ford company is featuring more and more the Fordson tractor end of their rapidly growing business, and demonstrations have revealed that the little Fordson will walk right along with the other makes of tractors, many of which are much higher in price and far more complicated in construction.

J. C. Nieman was a Cedar Falls visitor last Thursday to attend the fair.

Manchester friends of Rev. William Stiles of St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin, sympathize with him in the recent death of his wife. Mrs. Stiles' death occurred in a hospital at St. Paul, recently. She leaves her husband, one baby a year and a half old, and a stepson and step-daughter.

## WOOL GROWERS POOL THEIR FLEECE

### MEN WHO RAISE WOOL UP IN ARMS OVER ACTION OF MANUFACTURERS.

#### CHICAGO IS WOOL CENTER NOW

##### Government Auctions Said to Have Bearing on Depression of Market of Fleece.

The following article on the wool growing industry has been prepared by Mr. Henry Gillespie, Secretary-Treasurer of the Delaware County Wool Growers' Association, and which will be read by the readers of The Democrat with much interest:

Ninety-four wool growers of Delaware County have pooled their wool with the Iowa Fleece Wool Growers' Association and shipped it to the central warehouse at Chicago where it is being graded and stored to await the needs of the wool manufacturer.

This way of marketing direct to the manufacturer and selling every man's wool according to its quality and condition, eliminates the middleman and speculator and has netted shippers with the association, and non-shippers as well, a substantial advance over what would otherwise would have been the prevailing price. At present there is practically no market for this year's clip and without the farmers' wool pool wool growers would be at the mercy of dealers and speculators.

The wool growers of the United States centering their organization at Chicago now appear able to wrest control of the market from eastern dealers at Boston which has long been the great wool market of America. It is supposed that the eastern dealers and speculators do not like this shifting of market methods and location. It means to them a loss of much easy money, if not a change of occupation. The manufacturers are presumed to be as willing to get their supplies in Chicago as elsewhere but dealers in refusing to buy wool except at a sacrifice to the grower, and the mills in shutting down, appear hand in hand against the wool producers in depressing prices and retaining control of the wool situation in Boston. Natural causes may to some extent be responsible for the present stagnation in the wool trade, but natural causes are not responsible for \$30.00 suits and 20 cent wool. Buyers of wools when protesting the high cost have been told "see what the farmer gets for the wool." The truth is that the farm price of wool has almost nothing to do with the finished product. The farmer gets only about \$6.00 for the wool which made into a suit of men's clothes sells for \$80.00 and up.

Last season I was offered by an Iowa woolen mill 50 cents a pound for wool and asked \$3.50 per lb. for yarn. Another Iowa mill made my wool into yarn at 50 cents per pound for the finished yarn, including freight, and fair profits, and good wages to the weavers. It takes on small lots of wool 2 1/2 pounds or more to make a pound of finished yarn. That is to say, a pound of yarn costs the manufacturer \$1.50 for his raw material and 50 cents for manufacturer, including profits. To be liberal grant that actual cost including profit etc., of a pound of yarn is \$2.25 to the mill. The wholesale price last year was \$3.50 and upwards, giving to the manufacturer not less than \$1.25 on every pound of yarn sold as pure "washed" and an unjust profit of 50 cents per pound on every pound of wool bought. That is, manufacturers of woolen yarn in Iowa last year could have paid the farmer a dollar a pound for wool and still have made a fair profit upon their yarns. Similar yarns are now listed by a leading mail order house at from \$3.50 to \$4.50 a pound at retail. It is not unreasonable to think that like conditions rule in the manufacture of blankets, and clothing goods, and yet mills are idle, people still need wools and farmers cannot sell their wool. It looks as if there was a colored gentleman in the woolpile.

As this is written the American Woolen Company comes out in a full page ad in the Chicago papers the gist of which is a plea to every one to buy their goods at once so that it can continue business and prosper for the welfare of all concerned. This great company was forced because of lack of orders to close its fifty-seven mills last July. Its ad is signed by the president, Mr. W. D. Wood, who announces the opening of the mills on September 13th, and says that his company "will be a success only so far as it is fair and just to capital and the labor which it employs and to the public which it serves." But has Mr. Wood forgotten the man who supplies wool to buy, carefully select your goods of the kind you need at a fair price and you will not find it necessary to purchase shoddy or other substitutes at wool prices.

"The American Producers of Fleece Wool have begun business. The support of the public is invited."

Paul Young, who has been spending several weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Young, left the first of the week to resume his work as a student in Coe college, also add to instruct a class in wireless telegraphy.

people face winter with inadequate supplies or inability to buy them while the farmers fleece wools are piled by millions of pounds waiting a buyer at cost of production with the hope of a reasonable profit.

Another thing that depresses the wool market is the great government surplus of wool. Manufacturers have been able to get supplies at these sales, instead of through normal buying. The mills have also made use of immense quantities of mill and clothing factory refuse and second-hand clothing and I have seen a statement that the U. S. Army has thus disposed of mountains of bedragged uniforms and worn blinks. This worked over wool from every source is shoddy. Its fibre is broken in short pieces, worn, and otherwise damaged by moisture, heat and re-working. It costs almost nothing as compared with virgin wool and when made up is worth almost nothing to wear. Yet it is sold as "pure wool," "all wool" and "guaranteed wool." Shoddy is mixed with much or little virgin wool or cotton and so woven that even experienced merchants have found no way to tell the amount of virgin wool in a piece of cloth or a suit of clothes. One writes: "I have been in the clothing business twenty years and have not yet been able to tell the amount of virgin wool in a suit or piece of cloth." The astute and skillful manufacturers have over supplied the market with high priced goods and used shoddy instead of wool do not therefore need this season's clip. They try to maintain profits and wages by freezing the people into spending their last dollar for needed clothing at high prices. They shut down the mills and limit the supply of cloth, which of course those who can possibly afford it will buy even in limited quantities, but others will shiver. Tons of really scarce print paper to sell woolsens at "remendous," "slashed," "amazing," "cut to the bone" prices guaranteed to be "all wool" and "pure wool," of "astounding" and "remarkable" value!!!! People are unduly urged to buy now before the never-again bargain day is past. Would it not have been better for the mill men to have kept their mills going and to have really slashed their profits and used real new wool instead of shoddy, and for the labor unions to have emphasized a fair day's hard work as well as a fair day's pay? Dependence should be placed upon the need and ability of the people to buy instead of upon the extravagant use of costly printers' ink and paper. There is now before congress a proposed law to compel manufacturers of shoddy or part shoddy to sell it for just what it is by so marking the cloth that anyone can tell of what it is made. This law if enacted would do a great deal toward helping the manufacturer of woolsens to be "fair and just to capital and the labor which it employs, and to the public which it serves." It would also help the sheep grower to sell his wool at a price to correspond with what the consumer pays.

It is a good time to ask Mr. Vote Seeker how he stands upon this pure fabric bill? Until fabrics are sold by law for what they are every buyer should ask and insist upon a guarantee of virgin wool and the amount of shoddy and cotton in the goods they want or no trade. If the merchant does not know he can find out from the manufacturer. The foregoing is a suggestion to those directly interested in the present prospects of the wool market and what can be done to put the business upon a sound basis. Fall and winter will almost surely see a material advance in fleece wools. There is only one possible chance of the wool growers losing and that is the same chance that any dealer takes, viz.: A world surplus of wool, or a general break down in all lines of business. If the manufacturers and dealers can manage by advertising propaganda and the use of shoddy and inferior, cheap wools and cotton to hoodwink the buyer of woolsens until the 1921 clip comes to market without buying largely of the 1920 clip the farmer might be temporarily defeated and suffer loss on his wool shipments, although his loss in such a case would be no greater than to throw his wool on the market now for the speculators to fatten upon.

To paraphrase the words of the American Woolen Mills: "The size of the American Fleece Wool Industry, its large capital and employment of workers, places it in the position of something more than a private corporation. Its service to the nation in times of peace and war entitles the government and the people to exercise certain duties to preserve and protect this American industry. If you believe in the policy of the American Wool Producers' Association in the maintenance of good wages for farmers and just and fair dealing with the public which it serves, order your goods as promptly as possible so that you can reasonably afford to buy, carefully select your goods of the kind you need at a fair price and you will not find it necessary to purchase shoddy or other substitutes at wool prices."

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## POWDER EXPLOSION INJURES YOUNG MAN

### HARRY MEAD, SON OF F. A. MEAD, IN CRITICAL CONDITION AS RESULT OF BURNS.

#### INJURIES CAUSE INTENSE PAIN

##### Leaps Into Water Tank to Extinguish Flames, Hands, Face and Chest are Terribly Burned.



Harry, one of the twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Mead, of near Manchester, is in a critical condition as a result of injuries received when a twenty-five pound can of giant powder exploded on Monday evening at about five o'clock. It appears that Mr. Mead and his boys had been wrecking the old building across the road from the house, and were using some of the material in erecting other buildings. Harry had gone to the lumber piles to get some material, and accidentally threw down a match after lighting his cigarette. Instantly the powder became ignited. The force of the explosion tore the young man's clothes in shreds and set them on fire. In the explosion both hands were frightfully burned. He was all he did not succeed in extinguishing so burned in the fact and chest. Realizing that he would burn to death the flames immediately, Harry started across the road for the water tank near the barn, and leaped into it. In leaping into the water tank he struck both of his knees on the sharp edge of the tank and inflicted ugly gashes on both limbs.

It is believed that his eyes escaped injury, although his face is frightfully burned. It is impossible at this time to determine the full extent of the injuries, but it is to be hoped that he may not suffer the loss of his hands.

## RAILROAD MEN GET BACK PAY.

Employees of the Illinois Central received checks for extra back pay on Monday-Labor Day-covering the months of May, June and July. The increase granted the employees of railroads is a very material one, nearly all of the checks received by local railroad men were for more than a hundred dollars. This added increase will enable the railroad men to meet the high cost of living far more readily, and lay by something for a "rainy day."

## SAVE YOUR SEED CORN NOW.

The time is again at hand when seed corn, to insure perfect germination next year under normal conditions, must be gathered and cared for in a proper manner from now until the planting season in 1921. If this is done, there will be no need for corn failure next year, for with an experience of sixty-four years on my own farm and twelve years as a member of the Board of Control of State Institutions in charge of the State farms, seed corn saved in the manner here described never failed to grow under normal conditions.

To insure Seed Corn of Strong Vitality.

1. Gather your seed corns soon as dented.
2. Do not allow it to fully ripen and dry in the field.
3. Put it on racks the same day as gathered.
4. It must be dried by artificial heat.
5. Ears kept apart and good ventilation.
6. Moisture must be allowed to escape.
7. The place to keep it.
8. A basement with furnace heat and always dry and warm.
9. A room or attic in dwelling house where it is kept warm.
10. Seed corn is better if never allowed to freeze, even when apparently well dried.
11. Dry and warm are both essential to insure good seed corn.
12. In gathering seed corn, choose medium sized ears from strong, vigorous stalks, ears about waist high.
13. Endeavor to get ears with even sized kernels to assist in securing uniform dropping by planter.
14. When shelling, just before planting, remove tip and butt kernels well up on the ear, saving only even sized kernels.
15. Reject every ear that is the least mold or shows any imperfection.

During the last twenty years, our State has lost over five-hundred millions of dollars on account of poor seed corn, and this year we do not have to exceed two-thirds of a full stand of corn in Iowa. I know whereof I write, for I have been in the fields counting the stalks in the hills. This for a better and greater Iowa.

JOHN COWNIE.

## AT THE PLAZA THEATRE.

Wednesday, "The Vengeance of Durand" featuring Alice Joyce; also the Pathe News. Thursday, Marguerite Clark in "Widow by Proxy." Friday, "The Web of Chance" with Peggy Hyland; also the Fox News. Saturday, episode No. 2 of "Dare-devil Jack," Christie Comedy and Mutt and Jeff. Sunday, Tom Moore in "Tobys Bow;" also the Pathe Review. Monday, "When A Man Loves," featuring Earle Williams; also the Fox News. Tuesday, "The Web of Deceit," starring Dolores Costello, also a Pollard Comedy. Wednesday, "The Darkest Hour" with Harry T. Morey; also the Pathe News.

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