

VIEW MODEL SCHOOLS

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS OF IOWA VISIT SEVERAL MODERN EDUCATIONAL PLANTS.

SOUTH IOWA EDUCATORS HAVE EYES OPENED

Inspection May Result in Movement for Consolidation Where Plans Have Not Yet Taken Root — Clay and Dickinson Counties Have Prominent Place in Advanced Education.

Special to Times-Republican.

Des Moines, May 28.—County superintendents from ninety counties in Iowa who attended the annual meeting of their association held in Sioux Rapids and Spirit Lake last week went back to their work in the possession of more evidence of the success of consolidated schools than ever. The principal feature of their meeting was to inspect consolidated schools and they visited eleven schools in Clay and Dickinson counties.

To those from the counties in southern Iowa where there are no consolidated schools the tour of inspection was a revelation. School houses out in the open country with no town for miles around were visited where the equipment was more up to date than that of the average city school, where the courses of study were particularly adapted to the needs of the pupils and where the atmosphere was more wholesome both for the moral and physical being than in the average city school.

These school buildings and grounds had gymnasiums, playgrounds equipped with swings, teeter boards, slides and other modern playground apparatus. They had tennis courts and in some cases baseball diamonds. They had plots for gardens and for the study of agriculture.

The visitors were entertained by the commercial clubs of Sioux Rapids and Spirit Lake and automobiles were furnished in which to take them around to the schools. At Sioux Rapids they have a \$50,000 consolidated school building.

See Linn Grove School. The superintendents were taken out to Linn Grove, where they have a \$48,000 building and nine acres of land. Here they were served with a big dinner by the girls of the domestic science department. The tables were beautiful in their decorations of wild flowers and wild blossoms. The boys and girls did the serving.

Out at High View which is right in the open country they found a fine building costing \$18,000. At Cornett in Clay county they found a fine building.

The visitors on being taken back to Sioux Rapids were given a banquet in the big consolidated school building there.

The trip the following day included visits to Greenville, in Clay county, where they have a \$32,000 building and four acres of grounds. Here as in some of the other consolidated districts a building was provided for the superintendents and their families, in some of the districts teachers' houses are provided. Often buildings in the consolidated tract are utilized in building houses for the teachers and for the superintendents to live in.

Spencer's Model High School. The school men visited the high school at Spencer, where they have a building costing \$75,000 recognized as one of the finest in the state. The domestic science department at this building served a fine dinner for their guests.

At Spirit Lake the visitors saw what is reputed to be the largest consolidated school building in the United States. Their program was given in a gymnasium which seats 1,000 people.

At Arnold's Park they found a \$31,000 building. A conservatory and greenhouse is mentioned in this building which is a unique feature.

At Terril the school men visited one of the oldest consolidated school districts in the state. Where there was once a four room building there is now a modern structure costing \$50,000 with eight and one-half acres of ground. The grounds are being developed gradually under the direction of a landscape artist, a small part being finished each year. An entire township is included in this district.

At Milford there is one of the best consolidated schools in the state. The district has been operating as a consolidated district for some time.

At Okoboji they found buildings in the course of construction which will cost about \$25,000. There is to be a house for the superintendent and the janitor. There are six acres of ground.

At Superior the district is considered unusually well organized. There the visitors saw an exhibit of school work. Part of the ground is devoted to agriculture and each pupil has his plot of ground which he is using in his contest of growing crops. The one growing the most on his plot of ground will receive a prize of \$5. The building at Superior cost \$37,000.

George E. Farrell, of Washington, D. C., one of the principal extension workers in the department of agriculture, was one of the speakers on the program. Other speakers were State Superintendent Deyes, Prof. E. J. Ashbaugh, of the State University of Iowa; Mrs. A. B. Funk, of Des Moines; Carl C. Swain, rural commissioner of education for the state of Minnesota; Prof. Macy Campbell, of the state teachers' college; and J. W. Jarnagin, of Des Moines, editor of the Iowa Farmer.

Marfan Gordon, Elizabeth Gordon, Neva Janet Hendricks, Nerina E. L. Martin, Helen Anna McGowan, Ralph Edwin Nokes, Luther B. Obye, Alvin B. Richardson, Clara Bernice Ross, Harold G. Sandy, Margaret Ellen Smith, Elsie Evalene Taylor, Tillie Jane Wilkie, Harry Bennett Wright.

BOND ISSUE IS VOTED.

Osage Voters Approve \$65,000 Issue for School Building.

Special to Times-Republican. Osage, May 28.—The Osage school district voted Friday to issue bonds for \$65,000 to erect a new grade building to replace the old one known as the Washington school. The ayes had 50 majority.

Hampton Chautauqua Program.

Special to Times-Republican. Hampton, May 28.—The dates of June 14 to 20 have been announced as the time for the Hampton chautauqua for this year and the list of attractions insures a feast of good things in song and story that none in this territory can afford to miss.

The program will be opened by the Kaling-Haines Singing Party, and Chapter E. H. Lougher will follow with his "Shackles of the World." The manager of the children's play work will organize the little folks, and the singing party will furnish the evening program. Other top notch attractions are the McGarran Brothers, piano specialists; Col. George W. Bain, Ople Read, Bishop H. C. Stuntz, George L. McNutt, and the premier of them all for Sunday, the 18th, Bohumir Kyri, and his famous band.

Memorial Services at Lake City.

Special to Times-Republican. Lake City, May 28.—Rev. A. H. Bryan, pastor of Trinity M. E. church here, preached the memorial sermon in the Woodlawn church Sunday. The music was furnished by a sextet composed of Messrs. E. Arns, F. B. Humphries, Roy Parker, L. D. Hawkins, Rev. C. O. Stuckenbrook and Earl Howe.

Members of the G. A. R., the W. R. C. and the Sons of Veterans met at the G. A. R. hall and marched to the church. Chaplain A. T. Light read the names of comrades buried in the three cemeteries around here, eighty-three in all. Lander Post here was once among the largest G. A. R. posts in the state, but today numbers only thirty-one living.

Alden News Items.

Special to Times-Republican. Alden, May 28.—A very severe storm, amounting to a near cloudburst, was reported from northwest of Popejoy Wednesday noon.

John Carr, of Popejoy, purchased the lots in Popejoy, where the fire destroyed the buildings some months ago. His plans for their use have not been learned.

The high school team played ball with Ellsworth College's second team on the home diamond and defeated them, 4 to 3.

The high school class play, "The Hoodoo," is to be given twice in the Alden hall, June 6 and 7.

The new Wabash garage is planned by architects to be an up-to-date building for the modern business of handling automobiles in all its phases.

Herman Schultz is planning to build a new residence this summer on his property.

Dows News Notes.

Special to Times-Republican. Dows, May 28.—Sunday was quarterly meeting day in the local M. E. church, presided over by District Superintendent W. T. McDonald, of Fort Dodge. He administered the sacrament of the Lord's supper to a large concourse of people.

Dows high school graduated a class this year of eighteen members. The class orations were well rendered and well received.

Mrs. C. F. Peterson and baby Carl have gone to Hampton to be present at the alumni banquet.

Fairview cemetery has been placed in the most clean and beautiful condition it has ever been since it was established.

L. Eickensodt is in Des Moines to be treated for a serious throat trouble.

BULK OF CORN PLANTED

WEEKLY CROP REPORT OF ILLINOIS CENTRAL RAILROAD IS OPTIMISTIC.

WEATHER OF PAST WEEK IDEAL FOR FIELD WORK

Plenty of Moisture in Ground When Temperatures Went Soaring—Oats Stand Even and Color Good—Fruit Crop Prospects Show Improvement—Acreage and Condition.

Dubuque, May 28.—Weather conditions during the past few days have proved very beneficial to the farmers in the vicinity of Dubuque who have been unable to get their corn planted because of the cold and wet weather, according to the weekly crop report issued by the superintendent's office of the Illinois Central. The report states that all the farmers in this vicinity have now about completed their corn planting and are very optimistic regarding the crop, saying that they expect one of the biggest harvests in many years. In some places a number of the farmers were forced to do replanting, but this was caused more by the poor grade of the seed corn than by the weather.

The report states that the farmers in the southern part of Minnesota are not having as much luck with the corn and have started to sow other grains in the field which they formerly intended for corn. The report also says that oats and other small grains are also showing great progress and that a big crop is looked for. Following is the report in detail:

The past week began with unseasonably cool weather, there being a light frost the night of the 18th and an average daily temperature of about seven degrees below normal. The last three days, the weather has been warmer and with the moisture in the ground from the heavy rains of Saturday and Sunday, growing conditions are ideal.

Weather Favorable. Corn planting, which had been suspended owing to excessive rains and cold, has been going on vigorously the last few days, as well as plowing of land that has been under water. On the line between Freeport and Waterloo the corn has nearly all been planted, tho it may be necessary to replant some of that put in the ground between the 10th and 18th of the month on account of poor seed not germinating due to cold weather. On the Albert Lea district, conditions are not so favorable, the corn being about one-half planted. Some farmers have become so discouraged they are seeding ground intended for corn in flax. Early planted corn that has come up seems to be doing nicely and will be ready for first cultivation within the next week.

Oats are doing nicely, stand continues even and color good. Weeds are causing a little trouble in some localities, but as a general thing prospects are good for a large crop. Barley, wheat and other small grains have made an excellent growth this last week.

Figures received from points on the Albert Lea district show there is an increase of about 25 per cent in

onion acreage this year with an increase of 15 per cent in land planted with potatoes. Early potatoes are up and are now being cultivated.

Condition of small fruits has improved during the past week, the tree fruits show indications of being light. The estimated average acreage and condition of the principal crops are as follows:

| | Acreage. | Condition. |
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| Corn | 195 | 98 |
| Oats | 95 | 92 |
| Wheat | 100 | 96 |
| Barley | 100 | 96 |
| Other small grains | 100 | 98 |
| Hay | 100 | 98 |

New Sharon Items.

Special to Times-Republican. New Sharon, May 28.—Carpenters are at work remodeling the house of Leslie J. Beal. Mr. Beal is having his house raised to two stories, giving him four rooms upstairs.

The sophomore class of our local high school banqueted the seniors on Thursday night at the home of Rev. C. S. Marsolf. Plates were laid for thirty-seven, which included the members of both classes and teachers of the high school. A three-course dinner was served. Carl Saunders was toastmaster.

Rev. L. M. Beebe has accepted a call to the local Presbyterian church here and his initial services under the call were held last Sunday.

Hampton News Briefs.

Special to Times-Republican. Hampton, May 28.—The arrival of a baby daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Bagley, at Audubon, has advanced Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stuart, of this city to the position of grandparents.

A recent wedding here was that of Mr. Bert Sherman and Miss Elsie Williams, of Iowa Falls, at the Methodist

parsonage. Iowa Falls will be their home.

Mrs. W. D. Evans is at Council Bluffs in attendance upon a convention of the Colonial Dames.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Elphic has been gladdened by the arrival of a baby boy—the third son in the family.

A May day pageant was an attraction at the campus of the west side school building at 3 o'clock Friday afternoon.

George A. Bird has purchased a residence on Vine street and will take possession next fall and will probably make Hampton his permanent home.

Mrs. V. J. Kratz is spending a few days at Mount Vernon visiting her son, Howard, who is a student there, and also with her friend, Mrs. Addie Brandon.

School Teacher Injured. Charles City, May 28.—Prof. G. Struble, of the English department of the high school, received a fracture of the skull while assisting in arranging the scenery for the senior play.

A curtain weight fell forty feet when a rope was pulled the wrong way, falling on his head.

He was taken to a hospital where an operation was performed. His condition is critical.

Runaway Girl Found. Dubuque, May 28.—Virginia Doschadis, 17-year-old high school girl who disappeared from her home here several days ago, was brought to Dubuque from Chicago by her father Sunday morning. She had gone to the home of relatives in Chicago after an altercation with her mother over a love affair. Her parents at first feared she had been enticed away.

Cowboy Drama Passes. Curtailment in the production of

French and Italian motion-picture films has caused a considerable increase in the use of American films in France. The cowboy or western drama has more or less had its day.

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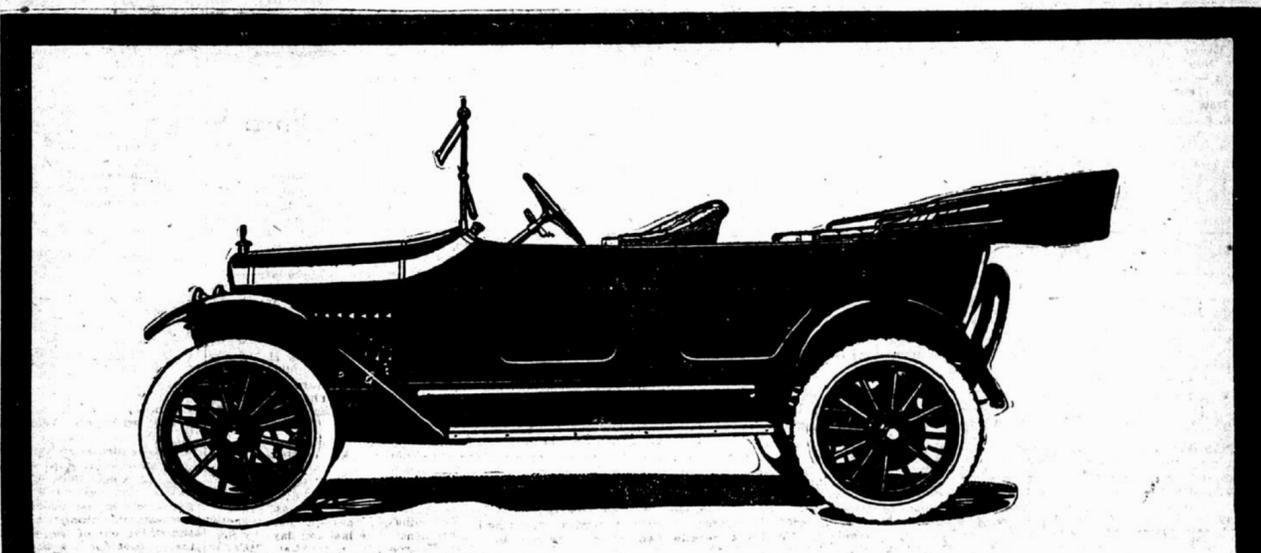
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