

NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES

West Fremont.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Nilles made an over Sunday visit with Mrs. N's father, Mr. Theilan of Wright county.

The sale of L. T. Harris was well attended last Thursday, everything bringing good prices.

Henry Koestner and wife and Misses Susie and Lizzie Goehring autoed to Fort Dodge last week.

The little infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Taylor was seriously ill last week.

Lloyd Phillips returned to his home in Eagle Grove last Thursday after spending the past two months with his brother, Perry, and family. Dec. 11.

Prairie Queen.

Miss Ethel Mabbott commenced her winter term of school in Dist. No. 9, Dec. 4th.

Nearly all the farmers are through picking corn in this vicinity.

Mr. Lyons visited his daughter, Mrs. Zahn, last Monday.

Mr. John Garth, his sister, Miss Sarah Garth, and niece, Miss Minnie Welch, were in this vicinity Thursday.

Elmer Curtis was a Webster City caller last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. August Zahn and Miss Ethel Mabbott spent Wednesday evening with Mrs. Zahn's parents at Webster City.

Geo. Marshall made a business trip to Woolstock Thursday. Dec. 8.

Mulberry Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Pringle were visitors at the Frank Pringle home in Eagle Grove over Sunday.

E. E. Ashpole threshed flax for Emery Ashpole and Thomas Dinsdale last week.

Miss Florence Loring spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents in Webster City.

Mr. Berryhill, who has been drilling a well on the H. E. Schroeder farm occupied by S. F. Nicholson, after going a depth of 200 feet had the misfortune to lose a piece of casing in the bottom of the well and had to abandon the hole leaving Mr. Nicholson without water.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Berleen and daughter, Ruth, were callers in Webster City last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. O'Connor were callers at the county seat Saturday.

The New England supper given by the ladies of Mulberry Center at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Hemminger was well attended and netted the ladies the neat sum of over \$31. Dec. 11.

Flugstad.

M. Gunderson painted his house week.

Mr. Whiteman of Webster City shipped a carload of poultry from this place Tuesday.

H. F. Anderson, Ole Ober and E. M. Flugstad were business callers at Webster City Saturday.

The Road bridge south of here was repaired last week.

E. M. Mulholland shipped two carloads of stock from this place to Chicago last Sunday morning.

D. S. Darnell of Webster City was a business visitor here Saturday.

An exciting event took place here last Friday. Mrs. R. E. Cooter of Webster City, who has a farm near here, was measuring the cribs on her place which was farmed by O. C. Stodder this year, where a hired man on the farm attacked her. D. S. Darnell, who was near, prevented him from striking Mrs. Cooter. A warrant has been sworn out for the hired man but up to the present he has not been arrested.

S. J. Olson has been putting some improvements on his store here this week.

A. H. Cooter, J. A. Olson, K. E. Cooter and Ell Jensen were business visitors at Webster City Saturday. Sheriff Lund of Fort Dodge was on business here Friday. Dec. 11.

North Liberty.

Mrs. Edw. Rutledge and son, Fred, are visiting friends and relatives in Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Ritchie and baby spent Sunday evening at the J. W. Eppard home.

C. W. Wilke and W. Pettinger are intending to take a land seeing trip to Minnesota soon.

Mrs. Vester Ferrel is visiting her father in Missouri.

Mr. DeMoss returned to his home in Illinois after an extended visit here with his son, L. E. DeMoss.

Edw. Ackley hauled grain to Kamrar Saturday.

J. P. Talcott was showing his automobiles to the people of the vicinity last week.

Miss Nettie Pettinger, who was visiting her brother, Wesley, return-

ed to her home in Webster City Friday.

Miss Alice Teter, who teaches at Dist. No. 2, spent Saturday and Sunday at her home in Lincoln township.

Mr. Pauffenbaugh is very sick at this writing.

About thirty young people enjoyed a very pleasant evening at the C. W. Wilke home last Thursday. About midnight light refreshments were served. Those present were:

Misses
Nell Hawks Zephia Wilson
Alice Teter Blanche Ferrel
Gladys DeMoss Clara Christianson
Minnie Coble Mary Hoffman
Florence Wilke Mary Coble
Violet Ackley Edith Eppard

Messrs.
Ben Gish Harry Coble
Louis Dorry Leonard Robertson
Everett DeMoss Charles King
Abram Coble Ed King
Ed Eppard Walter Coble
Arthur King Clarence Wilke
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Caruth.
Dec. 11.

West Freedom.

Corn husking is a thing of the past in this neighborhood, several having finished last week. Gus Huff, Frank Hamlin, and Warren Hayes together raised 18,000 bushels of corn this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Ruby are visiting relatives in Emmett county.

Mrs. I. R. Mulholland and children of Webster City are visiting her parents this week.

George Lemon shelled corn for Orville Miller, Andrew Oleson and George Bassett last week.

Clarence and Lester Woodard attended the stock show at Chicago last week.

Rev. Bourne of Duncombe visited a couple of days last week at the Andrew-Oleson home.

The third number of the lecture course at the M. E. church at Homer given last Thursday evening by Elmer Chapler was well attended. Every one was pleased beyond expectation. The fourth number will be a monologue on the Hoosier Schoolmaster by Prof. Welsh next Friday evening, Dec. 15. He comes highly recommended. Every one is cordially invited to attend.

Rev. and Mrs. Albertson of Stratford visited at the A. C. Shaffer home last Thursday.

Orville Miller had the misfortune to injure his hand in a buzz saw last week. Dec. 11.

Rose Grove.

Mrs. Chas. Quelland will visit relatives in Des Moines and other parts of southern Iowa in the near future.

Al. Henderson and wife attended the fat stock show in Chicago last week.

Art Storrs has recovered from his attack of rheumatism and is rustling as hard as ever.

Annie Kean is thus far winning the good graces of the pupils in Center school where Carrie Hill gave such good satisfaction in the fall.

We packed hash today with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Quelland and we were held down to the task until we were as full as Peter Maynard's balloon when he made that marvelous leap for a soft lighting place.

We met that genial Billy Whisler, now of Alden, in Williams one day last week and found that few lawyers in this part of Iowa have a better practice than he, as he doesn't get time to spit except between strides.

LaFollette's vast armies are closing in on his enemies from all sides and are compelled only to fire a few random shots at his ambushed foes who will ere long crawl into their last hole and pull the hole in after them.

A line from Bert Loban of Carleton, Minn., informs us that the weather is warm there with the snow about all gone.

Mr. Holt was shredding corn in these parts last week.

One inch of rain fell here last night. Dec. 10.

Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Arends were Webster City visitors Thursday.

M. H. Hendrickson visited Friday with relatives in Des Moines.

Miss Hope Torrence of Kamrar visited Wednesday with Miss Palma Hendrickson.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Koop and Mr. and Mrs. George Abbas visited Friday at the Anton Cordes home.

Miss Mary Waterman of Kamrar visited Tuesday with Mrs. Herman Onken.

Mrs. Hans Tolstrup entertained the Grand View missionary society Wednesday of last week. They will meet with Mrs. John Christenson two weeks from last Thursday, Dec. 21st.

Herman Arends and John Wepel shipped cattle and hogs to Chicago Sunday.

The Grand View missionary so-

METCALF'S

NEW DEPARTMENT STORE

The opening of the Metcalf "Economy Basement" was indeed a great success. Many nice compliments were heard on all sides by an appreciative public. Hence it is with pleasure and gratitude we thank you. The Metcalf policy will ever be (as has always been on our main floor) greatest in variety, greatest in exclusive styles, greatest in value-giving, always considering quality first.

It is our intention to keep in touch with the world's best in popular priced novelties and household novelties. The people of Webster City and vicinity can help the store that does things, to do greater things, by your suggestions. We want you to feel "at home" here and at perfect freedom to suggest anything that will make this store an ideal shopping center from your point of view. Help us by keeping us posted on all the new novelties and wanted goods, and we shall stock them—even if we have to tack on more room. At the present time, you will find many suggestive Christmas ideas of true merit and true economy. There is practically only a few shopping days before Christmas. Every day from now on you will find something new, something different, in Metcalf's "Economy Basement." We again invite your most critical inspection. We need you. You need us.

THE STORE THAT DOES THINGS.

TO TRY BOY FOR MURDER

Charles Wagner Accused of Killing His Friend, Henry Clausen.

GRIEVES OVER THE CASE.

Manslaughter Claimed By State.

Following Fight in Pool Room.

Davenport, Dec. 12.—Hardly more than a boy in years, but aged as the result of grief over the death of his friend, Henry Clausen, Charles Wagner will be tried on a charge of manslaughter.

Charles Wagner has been confined to the Scott county jail since the fatal night of Sept. 1, when he is said to have dealt the blow on the head of his companion, Henry Clausen, which terminated in death.

The two boys—for both were and are hardly more than boys—living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Stafford.

—Mrs. Harriet M. Cloz is off to Chicago for a two weeks visit with her husband.

—Ray Berggren spent Sunday with friends in Kamrar.

—Miss Mae Waitman visited over Sunday with relatives in Kamrar.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hotchkiss returned Saturday from a visit in Marshalltown.

—J. W. Hittle and twin daughters are in Estherville today, Mr. Hittle being on business.

—Miss Hattie Cuppett of Fort Dodge spent Sunday in the city, a guest of Miss Myrtle Martin.

—Frank Huddleston returned today from a business trip to Chicago.

—Miss Myra Northcraft went to Iowa Falls yesterday after a week's visit in this city.

—Milo Foster of Liberty, Neb., is visiting in town with Wesley Miller.

—Mrs. M. H. Brinton and daughter Esther of Ellsworth spent Sunday here at the David Eyer home.

—Henry Biernatzki spent Sunday with friends in Dubuque.

—Ralph France and Byard Dodge spent Sunday in Iowa Falls.

—Miss Iva Bartlett leaves tonight for a visit in Chicago and at the home of a Cummock classmate in Pana, Ill., at whose wedding she has been invited to read.

—Misses Grace Lee and Genevieve Brown visited with friends in Williams Sunday.

—Harold Mabbott and Dent Vohes spent Sunday in Williams.

—Mrs. Parish of Cedar Falls spent Sunday here with her son, Prof. A. R. Parish and family.

—Mrs. D. Griffin of Eagle Grove is in town today on business.

—Don Haeger and John Englebright of Eagle Grove spent Sunday here.

—Glenn Smith of Ames visited at the A. J. Leonard home over Sunday.

—P. W. Lee left this noon on a business trip to Austin, Minn.

Personal Briefs

—Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Studley left yesterday for Burlington, Iowa, to visit their son, who is employed in the railroad business there. From Burlington they will go to Neponset Ill., Mr. Studley's old home, for a sojourn among relatives and old neighbors. They expect to be away ten days or two weeks.

—H. R. Dodge is a business visitor in Lehigh today.

—Mrs. Emma Mattice and daughter, Miss Vanda, left this morning for Redlands, California, where they will spend the winter.

—E. H. Martin is a business visitor in Dgs Moines today.

—Mrs. F. H. Alexander of Kamrar was in town yesterday.

—Walter Ferrell was a business visitor in Blairsburg yesterday.

—John A. Berggren is a business visitor in Des Moines today.

—Howard Jarvis visited with friends in Rolfe yesterday.

—Mr. and Mrs. John R. Kamrar have returned home from a visit at the B. H. Hellen home in Chicago.

—Mrs. O. K. Herrald visited with her parents in Kamrar yesterday.

—Miss Myrtle Nail, who has been employed in the Helvetia restaurant has resigned and returned yesterday to her home in Blairsburg.

—W. C. Baker of Blairsburg is in town today.

—John Filschen, the real estate man of Williams, is in the city today.

—Dr. R. S. Dysart went to Hampton today to attend the District Osteopathy convention.

—Mrs. G. T. Chamberlin is spending the day in Fort Dodge.

—Elbert Ferrell is a business caller in Fort Dodge today.

—S. R. Hoyt, who has been home from Mason City to spend Sunday, is a business visitor in Grundy Center today.

—Mrs. G. M. Teed, Mrs. G. W. Teed and Mrs. C. E. Buell are visiting in Fort Dodge today.

—County Supt. Snow is a business caller in Blairsburg today.

—F. F. Brown is in Fort Dodge today on business.

—Mrs. J. B. McCollough and Mrs. A. C. Smith are spending the day in Fort Dodge.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Alford of Blairsburg returned Sunday evening from a visit among friends and relatives in Lincoln, Sibley and Paxton, Ills.

(From Monday's Daily).

—Mrs. R. W. Pote left this morning for her old home in Stuart, called by the illness of her father, who recently suffered a bad attack of inflammatory rheumatism and is now in a sanitarium for treatment. He is in the drug and jewelry business and Mrs. Pote goes to assist in the store. She will probably remain until the first of the new year.

—Mrs. C. H. Robie and children returned to their home in Blairsburg yesterday after a visit here

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Splendid Black Fur Sets, \$9.75.
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on the same street in the same part of the city, met at the pool room conducted by Bowling & Hearne at 1514 Harrison street.

Like preceding nights the usual evening game of billiards was started and during the contest an argument resulted over a shot made by one of the players. The altercation grew more heated and Clausen is said to have resented his friend's talk and with his hand slapped him in the face.

Witnesses say Wagner struck Clausen in return and Clausen, raising his billiard cue, dealt the prisoner a blow on the head, breaking the stick in two pieces, afterwards making a rush for the door with Wagner in pursuit.

Some witnesses say the unfortunate man, after being struck with the fist of Wagner, sank to the floor, his head coming in contact with the sharp part of the door, which resulted in an ugly gash. Many are of the opinion that this injury caused the death of the young man.

Clausen was hurried to St. Luke's hospital where for several days he battled with death. Unconsciousness overtook the young man and he was never able to recognize those by the bedside. Once, the Sunday following the Friday night of the altercation, the stricken man opened his eyes, but immediately lapsed into the former state of unconsciousness. Clausen died the following Wednesday.

Charles Wagner was indicted by the grand jury for manslaughter and sent to jail to await the call of the court. The crowded docket for the September term caused a postponement until the present term of court.

The circumstances surrounding the tragic affair, when taken into consideration that neither young man was ever known to have doubted each other, much less engage in an altercation, makes the circumstances among the saddest in the history of Scott county criminal circles.

Reputation is said to be in favor of the prisoner, and Attorney Murphy will summon a large number of witnesses to testify to the good character of the young man. Even the relatives of Clausen, although bitter toward Wagner, are said to have taken the proper view of the matter and will make no effort to push the prosecution.

Both boys were painters, one living with his parents and the other with an aunt. Intoxicants are said to be opposed by both and the rumors that the young men were under the influence of liquor on the night are strongly denied by those in the pool room when the argu-

ment was started. Wagner was said to have expressed the desire that if he thought he was responsible for the death of Clausen, without provocation, he was ready to accept the maximum sentence of the court, but the young man strongly maintains his innocence and declares that Clausen started the fight with a slap to the former's face, followed by a blow to the head with a billiard cue.

Student Thieves are Discovered.
Keokuk, Dec. 11.—High school authorities here state they have secured incriminating evidence against certain pupils who have been systematically robbing the wardrobes of the school for several months past. They decline to state whether arrests will be made or not. The culprits grew so bold during the last two weeks that it was almost unsafe to hang clothes in any of the wardrobes of the building. Watches, jewelry and money were among the things pilfered with great regularity.

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The commercial league have thoroughly investigated the business college proposition and it is fully endorsed by them. Furthermore, President Hoff stands ready to back up every scholarship sold with double value in preferred stock in the institution at Cedar Rapids, if desired. 41*

OFFICIAL CHICAGO MARKET.

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT.				
Dec....	93	93 3/4	93	93 3/4
May....	97	97 1/2	96 3/4	97 1/2
CORN.				
Dec....	61 1/2	62 1/2	61 1/2	62 1/2
May....	62 1/2	63 1/2	62 1/2	63 1/2
OATS.				
Dec....	46 1/2	47	46 1/2	47
May....	48 1/2	49 1/2	48 1/2	49 1/2

Hogs estimated 25,000. Close strong. Top \$6.32.

Hogs estimated for tomorrow \$6.000.

Hogs left over yesterday 3810. Cattle 6000. Close steady.

THE LOCAL MARKETS.

Wheat	82 to 85
Corn	48
Oats, new and old	42
Hogs	\$5.50 to \$6.00
Butter	21 to 26
Eggs	26