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TEED'S.

J. B. Baxter is quite seriously ill at his home in the west part of town.

R. D. Hughes has sufficiently recovered from the effects of his recent accident that he resumed work at the county treasurer's office yesterday.

Glenn Best began work again at the Fred Hahne printing office after being absent from his duties for the past two months on account of illness.

Two plain drunks appeared at the mayor's office this morning, and having no money to pay fines were each given three days' work on the streets.

N. McAninch has traded for the F. A. Boysen lot on Prospect street immediately north of the Geo. Wyckoff residence. In the deal he took in the lot at \$1,100.

The ladies aid society of the U. B. church will meet tomorrow afternoon at the parsonage at two-thirty p. m. in a business session. Officers for the ensuing year will be elected and all members are requested to be present.

Mrs. Ed. Wiltsey is working in the Mercantile basement, having taken the place of Maylou Johnstone, who recently resigned. Burrell Boynton is also working in this basement, taking the place of G. L. Kuebler, who also resigned several weeks ago.

Carl Cormaney has resigned his position in the Mercantile grocery department and gone on a visit to various points in Minnesota. Ed Allman, who has been employed with the Webster City Implement company, began work in the Mercantile grocery department today and will remain there permanently.

Dr. Robert Beck will upon the completion of the new Richardson building occupy the front rooms upon the ground floor with his dental offices, removing from a similar location in the Martin building. Drs. Richardson and Beck plan to use the same reception room and will employ one office girl who will have charge of both offices.

Miss Ruth Hale has resigned her position in the Wardrobe cleaning and tailoring establishment, to take effect Saturday. Miss Hale expects to return to her home near Blairsburg and enter the Blairsburg high school the coming school year. Her place will be taken by Oscar Lilligarde of this city, who is at present visiting relatives in Willmar, Minn.

Cradle Roll.
Born, August 15th, to Mr. and Mrs. Seth D. Welch, a 7½ pound daughter. Mrs. Welch was formerly Miss Maude Richardson of this city.

Born, Monday morning, August 17th, to Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Brown, living 10 miles northeast of this city, a son of standard weight.

Again to Rochester.
Master William Plumb, who lives with his aunt, Mrs. W. H. Hubacher, was taken to Rochester, Minn., again yesterday, where the surgeons at the Mayo hospital will remove the cast put on his limb some six or seven weeks ago, and they will determine whether another operation will be necessary.

May Build Brick Block.
W. J. Zitterell recently purchased the lot on Second street immediately west of the St. James hotel and is figuring on putting up a modern brick building there in the near future. It will be the full width of the lot and 116 feet long. If satisfactory arrangements can be made the up-stairs will be fitted up in rooms to be used in connection with the hotel. The lower floor will be rented for some kind of a business room.

LOW BIDDER ON \$96,000 BUILDING

Ames to Erect a Fine New Hotel Costing Approximately That Amount.

W. J. Zitterell of this city was among the contractors who submitted bids for the new hotel to be erected in Ames by Parley Sheldon and other capitalists. It is to be one of the finest structures of the kind in the west in a town of the size of Ames. There were ten or a dozen bids submitted and the highest was approximately \$99,000 and the lowest, which was Zitterell's, was approximately \$96,000. The hotel will be modern throughout and when completed will be a credit to the state agricultural college town.

Two Operations.
Two little girls, Erna Rasmussen, daughter of Fritz Rasmussen, and Hazel Ludlow, daughter of T. Ludlow, both underwent similar operations at Mercy hospital this morning. Their tonsils were removed and they were operated upon for adenoids. Both operations were successful.

Last Night's Fire.
Near midnight last night the fire team was called out by a small blaze in the yard in back of the A. S. Holt blacksmith shop and Kamrar & Prince law office. It seems that some one had burned some rubbish there in the afternoon and the fire had not been entirely extinguished. The small blaze was put out without delay.

Suffers Broken Arm.
Master Bennie Breitenkamp, thirteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Breitenkamp, suffered a painful accident Sunday. Bennie, in company with several other little boys, was playing on the trapeze in the city park when he fell from it and broke the bone above the elbow in his left arm. He is getting along as well as could be expected.

New Operator.
C. A. Turner of Charleston, Ill., has been sent here by A. B. Cowan, district superintendent of Western Union Telegraph Company, to take charge of their office here, whether temporarily or permanently Mr. Turner does not know. He was accompanied by his wife and will engage rooms and secure board here until arrangements are more definitely settled.

A New Finish.
Something entirely new in the way of finishings is being applied over the exterior brick walls on the Baptist church which is undergoing a complete renovation and refinishing. This is called granite finish and is very light in color, almost white. The trimmings will be red and the work is done from the top downward, the tower of the church being almost completed now. It is interesting to watch the application of this finish—a process which looks like a careless splashing on of the cement, but which must be done by an experienced hand to be evenly applied.

Mother Passes Away.
Mrs. W. E. Pettygrove of New Hampton, mother of Mrs. J. H. Kane, passed away last night at about ten o'clock according to a dispatch received by Mr. Kane this morning. Mrs. Pettygrove has been very ill for a long time, suffering with cancer and her death was not unexpected. Mrs. Kane has been with her mother off and on during the past year and was at her bedside when the end came. Mr. Kane expects to leave for New Hampton tomorrow to attend the funeral services which will occur Thursday.

Burnt Sugar Camp.
A number of young ladies in the vicinity of Homer went camping last week at Bell's mill, near Homer, known as "Burnt Sugar Camp." The time was pleasantly spent in fishing and swimming and several kodak pictures were taken. The "campers" entertained a number of guests at a big dinner last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Bell, better known as "Aunt Jen" and "Uncle Jas," who reside across the river, very kindly assisted them in food supplies. The following were the campers: Blanche Young, Bertha Vegors, Nella Beebe, Ethelle Boynton, Florence Jones, Hattie Gleason, Ethel Jones, Pearl Boynton, Allelia Peterson, Jessie Pierce, Alma Vegors, Alma Graham, Esther Naylor, and Ruth Gening. Warner, S. D. The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. John Crawford and children.

EMPEROR OF GERMANY DIRECTING HIS ARMIES

GERMANY IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO BRUSSELS—PRESIDENT IS SATISFIED AT JAPAN'S COURSE—JAPAN PROMPTED BY REVENGE—FRENCH WAR OFFICE TELLS OF FRENCH SUCCESS IN ALSACE—EMPEROR WILLIAM DIRECTING TROOPS IN PERSON — FRENCH ESTIMATES THAT \$1,400,000,000 IN GERMAN AND AUSTRIAN SHIPS HAVE BEEN CAPTURED OR TIED UP—LONDON DAILY NEWS EXPRESSES BELIEF THAT GREAT BATTLE IS IN PROGRESS ON OR NEAR THE OLD WATERLOO FIELD.

Washington, Aug. 18.—Despite the complaisant tone of most of the cables from the Paris-Brussels-London intelligence offices it is announced in a dispatch that German proximity to Belgian capital has grown so uncomfortable the officers have been transferred from Brussels to Antwerp. The President professes satisfaction regarding Japan's proposed action, but it is said in Washington that government regards with extreme gravity the potentialities of menace to American interests in Orient.

The London Times and Tribune explain the Japanese ultimatum: "Aside from its treaty obligations to England, Japan is moved by a spirit of vengeance toward Germany for Kaiser's Japanese interference in negotiations.

Assurances are given by Great Britain, under whose auspices Japan interpolates itself into the melee, that any action it may take will be confined to China seas.

The French war office issued a confidential bulletin telling of French successes in their advance into Alsace toward Strassburg accompanied by Capture Perma's artillery and ammunition. Their battle front in Alsace now reaches from Thann through Cerna to Dannemar. Impelled, so the London dispatches say, by the necessity for an immediate German victory, Emperor William is in the great fortress of Mainz, the capital of Rhine-Hesse,

In Tucker's Court.

Harry Hicks, a baker living in this city, who was arrested several days ago on the charge of the larceny of a suit of clothes, appeared on trial in G. F. Tucker's office yesterday, attorney J. M. Blake acting as lawyer for the state in the absence of O. J. Henderson, and D. C. Chase attorney for the defendant. Mr. Hicks took out a suit of clothes on approval from the Boston Shoe & Clothing store some time in 1913, saying that he would go to his room and try them on and if they were what he wanted would return and pay for them. However, he never came back. The young man was fined \$10 and the costs of the case.

Council Proceedings.

The city council met in regular session last night, and all members were present except O. N. Ross and C. H. Sweeney. The usual bills were allowed and the only other business of importance was in regard to sewer extensions. The engineer's reports were received and read by the city clerk; one on the Water street sewer extension and one on the west Elm street extension. These reports were accepted and adopted and the sewer committee and city engineer instructed to draw up schedule of assessments. The session was short and the council adjourned to meet on the 24th inst., when important business will be considered. At that time objections to assessments on the north side sewer will be heard.

Staver-Wilke.

Miss Lola Staver and Will G. Wilke were married yesterday at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Staver, near Laurens, about twenty-five relatives and friends being present. They left Laurens last night for Colorado, expecting to spend two weeks at different points in this state. Miss Staver and Mr. Wilke are both well and favorably known among Webster City people and their friends will be glad to know that they intend to make this place their home. Miss Staver has been a resident here for about eight years, the last three years having been spent in the employ of the Metcalf dry goods firm. Mr. Wilke is the youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. William Wilke, long time residents of this vicinity. He is connected with his father in the Wilke Auto company.

directing in person the movement of his troops. With him are his three sons, including the Crown Prince.

London, Aug. 18.—Correspondent Daily Express writing from Ghent, says he believes great massed armies are on or near field of Waterloo and that a battle is now in progress.

Shanghai, Aug. 18.—Two German cruisers have been disabled and towed into Hong Kong according to information received here. Deck works and turrets were demolished and masts and funnels shot away. Owing to rigid censorship it was impossible to obtain names.

New York, Aug. 18.—Summary—Sale of German Merchantmen to American investors held in abeyance pending replies from Powers whether they would treat as neutral vessels so bought.

Argentine's plan to bring about closer commercial relations with United States progressing. United States ship insurance endorsed by President Wilson, bill to be rushed through congress.

French estimate that \$1,400,000,000 worth of goods in German and Austrian ships have been captured or tied up.

Switzerland practically in state of siege, asks United States loan. Customs receipts so far this month \$4,400,000 behind same period of last year.

YOUNG MAN INJURED BY EXPLOSION

Ed. Miller Jr. Attempts to Explode Caps by Striking With a Hammer.

Ed. Miller Jr., the sixteen year old son of Ed Miller, a farmer living ten or eleven miles northeast of the city met with a slight accident last night. He undertook to explode some caps such as are used in fourth of July cakes by placing them on a piece of iron and striking them with a hammer. He succeeded in the attempt with the result that his hands were peppered with some hundred particles of the caps. The young man was brought to town and these particles picked out—a tedious bit of work. The hands were dressed and bandaged to prevent infection and it is hoped the final results will not prove serious.

BELGRADE CITIZENS LIVING IN CELLARS

Streets are Silent and Deserted Since Beginning of Attack by Austrians.

London, Aug. 18.—A dispatch to the Reuter Telegram company from Milan says the Corriere Della Serra has received an account of conditions in Belgrade in consequence of the bombardment of that city by the Austrians on the opposite banks of the Danube. The streets are silent and deserted, says the article, and the people of the town are living in cellars. Three thousand shrapnel shells have fallen during the last week. As yet little damage has been done to property, but a shell falling on the Central Electric works put half the town in darkness. The stables of the royal palace are in ruins. Up to the present fifteen citizens have been killed, while many others have been injured.

Evergreen corn Thursday morning at Kearns grocery. 18d2

WEBSTER CITY WINS ANOTHER

Captain "Leftee" Wilkus' Crew Defeats "Stump Pullers" From Centerville.

SCORE STOOD THREE TO FIVE

Loudell Pitches Fine Game and Receives Superb Support Throughout.

With his team playing excellent ball the new captain, Manager "Leftee" Wilkus, pilots his ball tossers to victory against one of the very fastest semi-professional teams in the state at Athletic park yesterday afternoon. No particular mention can be made of the work of any one player as they each and every one delivered an excellent brand of the favorite pastime.

In the second inning Luke of Centerville singled to left field, Noel advanced him with a sacrifice and a moment later he crossed the plate on Wagner's three base drive. Watts then singled, scoring Watson, and Timmons reached the initial sack on fielder's choice, but Corbin caught Watts off second and Harris fanned. Three hits, 2 runs.

In the local half of the second, Sucher lead off man, cracked the first one for three bases and scored on Merritt's attempt to get him off the sack. Wilkus and Moose were easy outs, Peterson reached first on an error, but Loudell's fly to Harris ended the inning. 1 hit, 1 run.

In the fifth, with two down, Harris drove a liner into right field for a home run. In the last half of this inning, Moose led off with a three bagger and scored a moment later, when Williams erred on Loudell's hit. Morgan also hit safe in this inning, but was caught off second. 3 hits, 1 run.

In the sixth the "Stump Pullers" were held powerless, but Corbin, second up, singled. Sucher was given first on Wagner's error, Corbin taking third. Wilkus sacrificed Corbin across the plate, and Sucher followed on another attempt of Merritt to catch him off third. 1 hit, 2 runs.

Again in the seventh, Peterson singled and was scored by a sacrifice and two blows on the part of Loudell, Morgan and Mitchell.

The tabulated score: Centerville—

	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Timmons, 2b	5	0	0	3	2	0		
Harris, lf	4	1	3	3	0	0		
Williams, 1b	4	0	0	7	1	1		
Freeland, ss	4	0	1	0	3	0		
Merritt, c	4	0	1	7	3	1		
Lake, 3b	4	1	1	3	2	1		
Noel, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0		
Wheeler*	1	0	0	0	0	0		
Wagner, rf	3	1	1	1	1	1		
Watts, p	4	0	1	0	2	0		
Totals	36	3	8	24	14	1		

*Batted for Wagner in ninth. White Sox—

	A	B	R	H	P	O	A	E
Mitchell, 2b	4	0	1	1	1	1		
Morgan, ss	4	0	2	1	3	0		
Ludeman, c	4	0	1	10	0	0		
Corbin, 3b	4	1	1	1	3	0		
Sucher, lf	4	2	2	2	0	0		
Wilkus, cf	2	0	0	4	0	0		
Moose, 1b	4	1	1	7	0	1		
Peterson, rf	4	1	1	0	0	0		
Loudell, p	2	0	0	1	2	0		
Totals	32	5	9	27	9	2		

Score by Innings— Centerville 0 2 0 0 1 0 0 0—3 White Sox 0 1 0 0 1 2 1 0*—5

Home runs—Harris. Three base hits, Wagner, Moose, Sucher. Two base hits, Harris, Freeland. Sacrifice fly, Wilkus. Stolen bases, Timmons, Merritt, Luke, Morgan, Sucher 2. Passed balls, Merritt 2. Struck out by Loudell, 10; by Watts, 5. Umpire, Dodge.

Fatal Auto Accident.

Le Mars, Ia., Aug. 18.—John Wagner, 33 years old, was killed, and Peter Boener was seriously injured in an automobile wreck near here yesterday. Their car struck a dog, causing the machine to upset.

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THE IOWA WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

Corn on Sandy Soil is Firing Badly in Many Parts of the State.

Des Moines, Aug. 18.—The average temperature for the week was about normal, the days being bright and hot and the nights cool. Light to copious showers occurred in a few localities, but over the larger part of the state the rainfall was practically nil or the amounts were too small to be of any material benefit. The greatest measurements of rainfall were reported from the west-central, northwestern, north-central and eastern counties and the least from the central and southern sections. Corn is steadily retrograding, and much of it in the southern districts is past the stage where rain would be of any benefit. Corn on sandy soil is firing badly in all parts of the state, and the prospective crop has been reduced eight to ten million bushels during the week, yet in many localities over the northern half of the state the crop is in excellent condition, and there has been sufficient rainfall to assure its maturity. In some of the southern counties, corn is being cut to save the fodder. Pastures are brown and afford but little or no feed. Spring seeded grasses are burned out, and late potatoes are suffering badly. Shallow wells and small streams are dry, and the lack of water for stock is serious. Threshing is progressing rapidly and is completed in many localities. But little fall plowing has been done.

Geo. M. Chappel, Director.

Real Estate Transfers.

Rube McFerren and wf to J. S. and Belle Mason—wd—lot 5, blk 25 and strip, W. C.—\$2,300.00.
F. A. Boysen and wf to Nelson McAninch—wd—north 78 feet lot 1, blk 50, W. C.—\$1,100.00.
L. T. Oleson and wf to John B. Rieke—wd—east 5 ft. lot 1 and west 55 feet lot 2, blk 99, D. & P. R. R. addition.—\$3,000.00.
Ole Rasmussen and wf to O. E. Thompson—wd—lot 6 and east ½ lot 7, Evergreen Lawn Hill addition, Jewell Junction.—\$4,000.00.
Elizabeth J. Hook et al to John White—gcd—und. 5-6 lots 1, 2, 7 and 8, blk 11, Homer.—\$187.00.

The Weather.

Unsettled weather tonight and Wednesday. Probably local showers. Cooler tonight and east and central portions Wednesday.

OFFICIAL CHICAGO MARKET.

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	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT.				
Sept...	89½	94½	89½	94
Dec...	95	1.00½	94½	99½
May...	1.02½	1.07	1.02	1.06½
CORN.				
Sept...	79	80½	78½	79½
Dec...	69½	70½	68½	70½
May...	70½	72	70½	71½
OATS.				
Sept...	42½	43½	42½	43½
Dec...	45½	46½	45	46
May...	48½	49½	48	49½
Hogs estimated 14,000. Open steady; close steady.				
Top \$9.15.				
Hogs estimated for tomorrow 25,000.				
Hogs left over yesterday 5109.				
Cattle 4000. Open steady; close steady, \$10.60.				
Sheep 22,000. Open weak; close weak, \$5.85.				

AFTERNOON GRAIN LETTER.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 18.—Wheat ran away today in the easy way that characterized recent war bulges. A big step towards a normal export situation was the cause. Leaders also on long side. A bulge of 7 to 8c is perhaps normal on this extraordinary situation. Wheat has repeatedly been overdone on upturn side of late. Further advances should not be followed. Unless more bullish news. Corn crop has hit another dry and hot spell which means bulges. Corn can be followed while the weather is dry but profits should not be neglected on long corn at these levels.

E. W. Wagner & Co.

THE LOCAL MARKET.

Wheat	74
Oats	35
Shelled corn	73
Ear corn	70
Butter	17 to 22
Eggs	16