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ANOTHER EARLY RESIDENT IS CALLED

Fred Poncin, Who Lived in Webster City Years Ago, Dies in Wright County.

Fred Poncin, who came to Webster City with his parents more than forty years ago, died at his farm home southeast of Clarion on Friday, Sept. 25th, and was buried at Clarion yesterday afternoon. Fred was a brother to John and Joe Poncin, who conducted a barber shop on Seneca street perhaps thirty years ago. When the family came to Webster City, we believe it was in 1870 or 1871, Fred accepted a job on the farm with Geo. H. Meissner and later worked for A. S. Chapman, two of the well known successful pioneer farmers of this part of Iowa. He saved his earnings, which of necessity were small in those days, and invested in Wright county land. At the time of his death he owned two big farms near Wall lake, consisting of 320 acres each, and his home place of eighty acres, where he recently erected a fine house. Men who are familiar with his financial circumstances think the fortune he left is worth from \$150,000 to \$200,000, every cent of which has been accumulated by hard work and careful investments during the past forty-two or forty-three years. What Mr. Poncin did for himself other young men of his day had the opportunity of doing. One of the sad things connected with Mr. Poncin's death is that he just built one of the finest homes in Wright county, near that of his old friend, W. T. Richards, and is denied by death's decree the contemplated pleasures of occupying it with his family.

For Sale.

Chester White male pigs. All eligible to register. Weigh from 125 to 175 lbs. Ernest Mourlan, Woolstock, Iowa. 2314*

Will Hold Style Show.

Shipley & Black are now preparing for their autumn style show which will be held in this city in the near future. This showing of styles has become a popular method of exhibiting the newest in ready mades and the manner of wearing them, and each time given, draws a larger crowd than ever before.

With Standard Oil Company.

Arthur M. Martin, who recently resigned as money order clerk in the postoffice, has accepted a position on the road with the Standard Oil company with headquarters in Jefferson. The family expect to move to Jefferson some time in October and have rented their home in the 1000 block on Division street to the Carey H. Brown family, who now reside on the corner of Division and Broadway. The Browns will move into the Martin house the middle of October.

Giants Win Ball Game.

The ball game between the All Nations and Chicago Union Giants at Riverside park Saturday afternoon brought out a big crowd and a fine demonstration of the great national pastime was witnessed. The Giants won the contest, the score being two to one. The winners made their two tallies in the first inning. Jackson pitched for the All Nations and was opposed by McNair for the Giants. The Giants seem to be a little too much for the All Nations, the record of games played being about two out of three in favor of the Giants. The All Nations have much the stronger pitchers, but the Giants more than overcome this by their better batting. The interest of the local fans in Saturday's game was at a low ebb, compared to what it would have been had their own team been playing. There was no particular choice among the spectators as to which aggregation should win out, although what rooting was done was for "the under dog," the All Nations. The same teams played in Des Moines yesterday, the Giants winning by the score of three to five.

The Webster City picked up nine with Peterson as pitcher, lost to the Fort Dodge team in that place Sunday. Score three to one.

THE ODD FELLOWS COUNTY CONVENTION

All Day Meeting Held in Blairsburg —Next Convention in Webster City.

The Odd Fellows of the county met in the fifth annual convention at Blairsburg all day Friday and those who attended report a grand celebration. The weather was ideal for overland traveling by which means so many from this city went. About a hundred were in attendance and were royally received and welcomed by the Blairsburg lodges. It was arranged during the business session to hold the convention next year in Webster City. The meeting being held probably some time next fall.

A luncheon was served by the Blairsburg Rebekah lodge at noon in the Odd Fellows hall. The address of welcome by J. W. Sayre of Blairsburg was given in the Blairsburg opera house at 2 o'clock. Following this, the responses were given, several from this city taking part. Those responding were Mrs. S. C. Gardner, Mrs. Alice Allen, Mrs. Mae Rutledge and J. E. Burnstedt. An address was also given by Grand Master H. F. Wagner of Sigourney.

At six o'clock a chicken supper was served by the Blairsburg ladies in the Odd Fellows hall, preceding the initiatory work of the evening in the opera house. The initiatory degree was put on by the Elmo team, while the second degree was put on by Blairsburg lodge. In the afternoon base ball game, Webster City lost to Homer.

BLAIRSBURG GETS NEXT CONVENTION

Rebekah Lodges Will Meet There in 1915—Webster City was a Candidate.

Fort Dodge Messenger: When the balloting upon the next meeting place of the Rebekah lodges in districts 40 and 94 was started yesterday at the meeting in the A. O. U. W. hall, Webster City was confident that she would be the recipient of the plum. But when the balloting was over it was discovered that Blairsburg had wanted the convention and after a discussion and another ballot it was decided that Blairsburg should have the meeting, Webster City giving up gracefully. Webster City had the convention in 1913 and consequently decided she could give it up for another year.

Officers elected by the convention are:

President—Mrs. Blanche Mullen, Blairsburg.

Vice President—Miss McLean, Ft. Dodge.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Eva Ballyntine, Blairsburg.

Treasurer—Mrs. Luella Stafford.

Purity lodge of Webster City was in charge of Memorial services at the A. O. U. W. hall last night. The services were very impressive and much credit is due to the Webster City people for the manner in which everything was carried out. The Bon Ami lodge of this city put on the work of initiation of candidates. This was followed by an address by Mrs. Stevenson, vice president.

AUTOMOBILE ABLAZE ON DES MOINES ST.

Chemicals From the Hanson & Tyler Garage Save Car From Probable Ruin.

Pedestrians shouted "fire!" as an automobile driven along Des Moines street and owned by Howard Johnson Sunday afternoon about 5 o'clock was observed to be ablaze. A crowd soon gathered to help put out the fire, which threatened the destruction of the car. The engine was a mass of flame and chemical extinguishers were hastily procured from the Hanson & Tyler garage, six or seven being used before the fire was out. Slight damage was sustained by the engine and the insulated wires, but the car was not otherwise injured.

Aged Lady Very Ill.

Mrs. H. R. Gifford, better known as Grandma Gifford, who resides on east Division street, is very ill with heart trouble. She is 88 years of age.

W. R. C. Attention!

All members are requested to be present at Yeomen hall Wednesday at 1:30 o'clock p. m. to make the final preparations for the coming convention.

Petition in Court.

Clyde Harmon has filed a petition in the office of the clerk of the district court asking judgment against C. A. Jerdeman and Bertha Jerdeman for \$2,160, alleged due on note.

Sold Drug Store.

W. E. Brown has sold his Williams drug store to Frank Mallory of Chicago, formerly a Williams resident. Mr. Mallory will take possession at once.

Church was Packed.

The Universalist church was packed to its utmost at the two services held Sunday and the audiences were very enthusiastic over the splendid addresses delivered by the new pastor, Rev. H. L. Haywood.

Buying New Refrigerator.

C. G. Gustuson has gone to Des Moines to purchase a new refrigerator for use in his Seneca street meat market. This will make the third refrigerator he has had installed in his market and it will be a fine one.

Death of Infant Son.

Eldon, the one month old baby son of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Kirchner, who live near Kamrar, passed away Sunday morning at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kirchner, 1000 Bank street, after a short illness with a complication of troubles. The funeral was held at the Robert Kirchner home yesterday p. m. at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. L. H. Sours of the Christian church.

New Chorus Choir.

The St. Andrews class of young gentlemen and the Eltekah and S. P. I. classes of young ladies have formed a chorus choir and will sing during the Sunday school service of the Methodist church hereafter. The choir was organized yesterday, under the direction of Dr. Ward Hannah and Ray D. Hughes, and held a rehearsal yesterday afternoon. They will rehearse every Sunday afternoon for the following Sunday's service.

Schools Will Have Spring Exhibit.

An exhibit of the work of various departments of the city schools, including both grade work and products of the domestic science and manual training departments, has been arranged for by Supt. Kelly, and will be held some time next spring. Preparations will be made during the winter for a splendid exhibit which will probably last a week, if a suitable building can be found for its display.

This work will include articles made by the boys of the grades and high school in the manual training department, cookery and sewing, made by the girls of all grades, and mapdrawing and examples of writing by pupils in all the grades. The exhibit will be of particular interest to all those who are vitally concerned in the upward march of the graded schools.

GERMANS IN A DESPERATE EFFORT TO BREAK THE LINE

From Battle Front via Paris, Sept. 28.—Desperate attempts are being made by the Germans to break through the allies lines at the western end of the long line of battle which is making a turning movement. These efforts are resulting in the most furious fighting that has yet taken place. After fighting night and day for three days, corps after corps of German troops were hurled against the French and English armies only to be thrown back with enormous losses. Since the night of the 25th the Germans have not ceased day or night to renew these attacks with unprecedented fury. It is believed the orders for such desperate attempts must have come from the emperor himself. Not only have they not been able to accomplish their purpose, but during the action the allies have captured one flag, some cannons and many

prisoners. The flag was taken from the enemy by the 24th regiment of colonial infantry.

Washington, Sept. 28.—The report that German spies have fitted up some torpedo boats to attack British ships in New York harbor are not given credit by the war department.

New York, Sept. 28.—It is reported that cholera and typhus fever have attacked the Austrian army and that many fatalities have resulted. The Austrians and Germans deny these reports.

It is now believed that the reports circulated a few weeks ago of the arrival in England of many thousands of Russian troops were false. Thus far the Germans report the capture of no Russian prisoners in the west.

CONVENTION IN WEBSTER CITY

Women's Relief Corps Will Hold Seventh District Meeting Here on Friday, October 2nd.

MANY DELEGATES TO ATTEND

Department President, Mrs. Carrie I. Netcott of Independence. Will be Here.

The Seventh district convention of the Women's Relief Corps will be held in this city Friday, Oct. 2nd, and from 125 to 200 delegates are expected to be in attendance. This district comprises Webster, Hardin, Hamilton, Story and Boone counties and delegates from ten corps will be present from Fort Dodge, Dayton, Iowa Falls, Eldora, Nevada, Ames,

Madrid, Webster City and two from Boone.

An all day session will be held in Yeoman hall beginning in the morning at 9:30 o'clock. Mrs. E. M. Remington of this city will deliver the address of welcome. The convention will of course be private, consisting as it does of drills and corps work of a private nature.

The department president, Mrs. Carrie I. Netcott of Independence, will be present for the inspection of the corps. A bounteous dinner and supper will be served to the delegates by the ladies of the Christian church.

In the evening a fine program will be given. Mrs. Anna Harris Hebdon, a speaker of great ability, will deliver the address of the evening at 7:30 o'clock. A campfire will be given in the evening, and invited guests will also be in attendance.

A fine new National cash register has been installed in the Model grocery. It is a large one, having about ten drawers for supplies, etc., and also one for each of the clerks. Each clerk transacts his own business from his separate drawer; and in that way all errors can be accounted for. The register also takes the place of an adding machine as all accounts can be footed upon it.

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Two Prize Winners.

Mrs. Geo. W. Best and Mrs. T. B. Larrabee were the prize winners Saturday night in the guessing contest held by C. F. Gardner for the set of kitchen cutlery offered to the one who correctly guessed the weight of the enormous loaf of bread baked in one of the kitchen ranges sold by him. The weight of the loaf was 16 pounds and 10 ounces and the guess of each of the winning ladies was 16 pounds and 9 ounces. Each lady accepted half the loaf of bread and half of the cutlery. Over two hundred guesses were registered.

Another Smashup.

Another auto smashup occurred Friday night on the north Des Moines street hill at about 9 o'clock, when two cars, one driven down the hill by W. W. Pearce, and the other driven up the hill by Frank Beal, ran together near the top of the elevation and both cars sustained wreckage to a greater or less degree, although the Beal car was the worst injured. The Beal car is today at the garage with a broken wheel, bent frame, tire torn off and other parts broken or bent. The Pearce car got off luckily with a broken running board.

Plows Up Indian Relic.

E. E. Johnson, who resides three miles south and one mile west of Homer, recently plowed up on his farm an Indian pipe of peculiar kind, which he brought to this city and which is now on exhibition at the Hamilton County State Bank. The Indian pipes which are usually seen are pipestone, with short stems attached to the bowls, into which the Indians inserted reeds for stems. This one is of slate, a much harder substance and has a short mouthpiece.

The formation of the mouthpiece shows very clearly that this pipe was not intended for reed-smoking,

but that it is a finished product.

Mr. Johnson has at intervals for the past several years dug or plowed up on his farm Indian relics, which proves beyond question that the vicinity was a favorite camping ground of some early Indian tribes. This, Mr. Johnson is so sure of, that he and his son have decided to dig through an Indian mound which is on the farm, and which has always been known as Indian mound. It is possible that the mound may contain some valuable relics and it is Mr. Johnson's intention to dig carefully, that nothing may be injured by the implements used in excavating. Indian arrowheads, stone hammers, pipes, etc., have been plowed up or dug up many times during the past thirty years in this county. As far east as Kamrar, as far west as Highview, and all along the Boone river, have at different times these things been found. Mr. McMurray possesses a fine collection of Indian relics, not a few from this county, which it is his intention to place in some good permanent place of exhibition in the near future.

Fort Dodge Messenger: Mrs. F. E. Whitley of Webster City, member of the State Board of Federated Woman's Clubs, will tell of the work of the committees at the biennial meeting in Chicago Tuesday at the Woman's Club meeting in the Boston Tea Room. Two other members of the state board will also be on the program that will be given at the close of the luncheon served at 1:30. Mrs. L. A. Lighthall will speak on the Chicago meeting from the point of view of the listener. F. W. Malhke will give an account of the Y. M. C. A. camp at Twin Lakes, for which the Woman's Club stood sponsor.

John Simpson has purchased a Hudson 6-40 automobile. G. D. Thompson has also recently purchased a new Ford touring car.