

NEWS FROM NEAR BY

Daily Doings of Some of Ottumwa's Close Neighbors

PERSONAL, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL

Everything From Joyous Births to the Philosophical Observations of Sages, Are Chronoled by the Courier's Special Correspondents

AGENCY. Agency, Jan. 2.—Rev. W. S. Moore has closed the meetings at Liberty school house. There were fifteen conversions.

Rev. W. O. Rogers, a former pastor of the Congregational church here, spent Sunday with his friends here and preached both morning and evening.

Those who put up ice are working at it this week. Clyde Hooper spent Sunday with friends here.

While A. N. Williams was breaking a cold last Saturday it became frightened, they held down and broke its neck.

Mrs. C. B. Long returned to her home at Council Bluffs last Saturday after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Ankrom.

The public schools opened yesterday after a week's vacation. A. B. Fair spent Sunday with relatives here.

VILLAGE CREEK. Village Creek, Jan. 4.—Mrs. Mike Swartz and Mrs. Peter Swartz took dinner at Kasper Swartz's New Year's.

John Sinskey is suffering from an attack of rheumatism. Mrs. S. G. Burton is on the sick list.

Miss Anna Smith was a guest at S. A. Burton's last week. D. McCarly, of High Point, were on Village Monday on business.

A number of people from this place attended church in South Ottumwa New Year's day.

KIRKVILLE. Kirkville, Jan. 4.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry Seigrist and baby have come to Delavan, Ill. Mr. Seigrist's old home, for a three week's visit with his parents.

All our teachers have returned from their holiday vacation, and are at their places in the school room again. Our schools have an enrollment of about 100, an average of 40 to the room.

Miss Rose Rundell left New Year's day for Ottumwa, and left there Wednesday for Cincinnati, Ia., for a three weeks' visit with her sister.

The ladies of the Degree of Honor Lodge, No. 51, will give a social at the town hall on Thursday night, the 10th. On last Sunday morning, at the Presbyterian church, N. B. Rayburn, a former teacher of the Sunday school classes, was very much surprised by his class presenting him with a handsome gold headed cane. This was indeed a handsome gift and Mr. Rayburn is very proud of it.

Master Lonzo Stout, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stout, met with a very painful and serious accident at his home, resulting in the loss of a thumb and two front fingers of the right hand. It is not known just exactly how it happened, but it is supposed he was holding a Cuban cartridge in his hand and was holding it near the lamp, when it exploded, tearing off the thumb and two fingers. Dr. Aberg was called and amputated the members and made the little fellow as comfortable as possible.

LOVILLA. Lovilla, Jan. 4.—Dr. Torrence and Mr. Kinley, of Blakesburg, were visiting with Henry Gutch and family Christmas day.

Miss Blue, of Cosby, Mo., who has been spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Barnard, of Lovilla, returned to her home Monday via the Wabash.

Misses Dela and Fern Cobb, returned home from Oskaloosa to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruthford, of Hannibal, Mo., who have been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Binell, returned to Hannibal Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Runyan spent New Year's at the home of Pete Hogland, in Cedar township.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark spent New Year's in Knoxville, with relatives.

Walter Abergren left Lovilla for Des Moines, Monday, where he is attending school.

James Treasurer attended the state teachers' meeting held in Des Moines, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of last week.

Miss Gutch was an Albia visitor Saturday.

MARTINSBURG. Martinsburg, Jan. 4.—Rev. Dillon, of the M. E. church has been holding a series of meetings at this place, with good degree of interest. Some thirty or thirty-five have professed conversion and last Sunday night ten united with the M. E. church on probation and six by letter. Seven of the above converts united with the Presbyterian church last Sabbath. There are others who will go to one or perhaps both of the churches, or some other branch of the Christian church.

Geo. Eystone went to Sigourney Saturday, to visit over Sunday with relatives and friends.

D. W. Young and family entertained a number of their many friends Christmas day.

Mrs. G. B. Martin, of the Hotel Martin, went to Winfield last Saturday evening to visit her son, John, and family.

Sam Pollock has been limping around for a couple of weeks from a hurt he received in a tussle with a horse.

Rev. Foster is packing up his household goods and will ship them to his new home in Oakville this week.

George Shafter and family, of West Burnside, came up and visited over Christmas at the U. R. Harbey home.

Will Craig, of Britt, is here visiting his brother Ed.

F. Johnson is ill. Mrs. and Miss Emma Lane have been spending a few days with friends in Grinnell.

Miss Nettie Martin entertained Mr. Miller, of Williamsburg, over Christmas.

Collett, Jan. 4.—Frank Freeberg and wife buried an infant child Saturday. Ed Worley and son Glen visited Ottumwa Thursday.

Rev. Willis Rodabaugh is holding protracted meetings at the Dunkard church this week.

Several from here attended the opera at Fairfield Tuesday night.

Miss Rhoda Davis spent Sunday with her parents at Fairfield.

W. M. Kelley will have a public sale next Friday.

NORTH ENGLISH. North English, Jan. 4.—Mrs. Geo. Magoon entertained a number of her friends New Year's night, in honor of her brother, James Thomas.

Mrs. William McCallister, of Jefferson, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. A. Rouse.

Mrs. W. W. Roland is spending this week in Marengo.

E. L. Mahannah and wife, of Kalona, are visiting relatives in town.

Rev. Mattox was called to Millersburg Sunday to conduct the funeral of Mrs. Lucy Cary.

Jeff Mullin and wife leave today for their new home in Galatin, Mo.

Mrs. Will Erwin, of Britt, is visiting at the parental home.

William Moore and Lonie Greenlee were married Sunday, Dec. 31.

Mrs. Jennie Marmin, of What Cheer, is visiting relatives in our town.

Miss Mattie Lutton is visiting in Montezuma.

BLAKESBURG. Blakesburg, Jan. 4.—The cold weather would have made plenty of ice if there had been any water in the ponds. Many of the ponds are so low that our farmers will not get their usual supply of ice for summer use.

John Anderson has returned from a trip to Los Angeles, Cal.

Henry Day has been compelled to give up his duties at Drake university on account of ill health.

Aaron Harlan has sold his farm east of town to M. H. Abernathy.

Frank Finney is slowly recovering from a severe attack of rheumatism.

Quite a number of young folks attended an oyster supper at the home of N. W. Smith, on New Year's night.

Miss Hester Glover, who has been attending school at Cedar Falls, is home for a vacation.

MILTON. Milton, Jan. 4.—Clinton McCombs had the misfortune to fall on the ice last Sunday and break his leg. Dr. Pennington was called in to set it. He is doing as well as could be expected.

Miss Ethel Jack is spending a few days at Hazen, Mo., the guest of the Misses M. Daniel.

D. Rowley spent the holidays in Illinois at the home of his sister.

Tom Corrick is hauling logs for a house frame with the intention of building in the spring.

The Odd Fellows gave a supper in their new hall on New Year's night.

Last Saturday evening at 5:30 o'clock occurred the marriage of Miss Mary Pitzer at the home of her father to a man from Topeka, Kansas. They left on Monday morning for their home in Topeka. Miss Pitzer will be greatly missed as she was a good worker in the Sunday school. She has the best wishes of a host of friends.

At 6 o'clock last Sunday evening at the home of the officiating minister, T. A. Renfro, occurred the marriage of Miss Lizzie Donahue and Estelle Loby.

Miss Nora Pittman spent New Year's day with the home folks.

Miss Blanche Games, of Bloomfield, was an over Sunday visitor at the home of Miss Blanche Badgley.

George Russell was at home over Sunday.

AMADOR. Amador, Jan. 4.—Rev. Hastings is holding a series of meetings at Russell Chapel this week.

Henry Day is recovering from a short illness.

Bertha Bachman spent Saturday night at Ira Haning's.

Harve Berry has been quite sick, but is much better at this writing.

Charles Schwartz, who has been for the past seven months in Colorado, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Schwartz.

Marshall Bachman has gone to Moravia for a few days' visit with relatives.

The entertainment at Russell Chapel was a decided success, both socially and financially.

Maudie Wellman spent Saturday night with Nora Day.

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to her home in Ottumwa after a pleasant visit with relatives at this place.

Ross Hendricks has gone to Oklahoma for the benefit of his health.

Miss Laura Green is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Mary Wellman.

Glennie Garlinghouse is reported quite ill.

Iva Farrand has closed her school near Eddyville on account of smallpox.

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Pearl Coy returned to his home near Bloomfield after a few days' visit with Jessie and Grant Smith.

Mrs. Sallie Box, of Eldon, came here Wednesday to visit relatives.

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A splendid dinner was given at the residence of Dr. W. W. Davis New Year's day.

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Ottis Crist and Miss Corda Brooks were Ottumwa visitors Sunday and Monday.

MUNTERVILLE. Munterville, Jan. 4.—Oscar Jacobson, Wm. Fulgum and Sander Jacobson attended the New Year's dance in Blakesburg last night.

Yesterday, being the twenty-ninth birthday of Mrs. Sven Pearson her husband had planned a pleasant surprise for her. During the week he had slyly visited a few of their neighbors and asked them to meet at their home about 7 o'clock in the evening.

Mrs. Pearson was across the road at the home of her nearest neighbor, by an invitation to supper. The people had a fine supper made ready at Mrs. Pearson's home and word was sent for her to come home for something and when she came, to say she was surprised expresses it mildly.

Mrs. Pearson was invited in and asked to be seated in a fine rocker which her husband had bought as a birthday gift to her. After all had eaten a bountiful supper and passed a pleasant evening together, they all wished Mrs. Pearson and family a pleasant goodnight, hoping she would live to pass many more such pleasant occasions.

Mrs. John Hokanson and Mr. and Mrs. Alep Peterson from Ottumwa were visitors at Charley Johnson's New Year's day.

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Removal Sale We have too big a grocery stock to move so we have decided to cut prices so that you can not afford to buy elsewhere. Best Minnesota Flour 97c. Bakers' Delight Kansas Flour 69c. Good California Prunes 5c a pound. Breakfast Bacon 10c. Dry Salt Pork 7c. Choice Hams 11c. 2 pounds Pure Lard for 15c.

4 Large Cans of New Packed Corn for 25c. 42 bars White Russian Soap 1.00, 42 bars Santa Claus Soap 1.00, 42 bars Diamond C Soap 1.00, 43 bars Cuba Soap 1.00, 4 lb package Pyramid Soap Powder 12c, 5c box Merry Wars 3c, Lye 3c, 4 bars Toilet Soap 10c, 3 bars Castile Soap 10c, 3 bar box Savon Helio trope Soap 10c, 3 lb can of Strawberry Beets 12c, 3 lb can of Baked Beans 12c, 4 large 8 lb cans of Pumpkin 25c, 4 cans of String Beans for 25c, Gallon can of California Peaches 39c, Gallon can of California Apricots 39c, Evaporated Raspberry, 17c per lb, Evaporated choice Calif Peaches, per lb 10c, Evaporated prime Calif Peaches, per lb 12c, Evaporated Golden Dragon Peaches, per lb 15c, Evaporated Calif Pears, per lb 15c, Evaporated Calif Apricots, per lb 20c

Pound Can Dr. Price's Baking Powder 39c. A large line of extra fine full Cream Cheese 15 and 17c, Choice new maple Syrup; gallons, 90c; quarts 30c, 2 quarts extra choice cranberries for 15c, Bulk Mince Meat, per lb 7c, 4 pkgs Condensed Mince Meat, 25c, Sonoro Oranges, per dozen 20c, Massina Lemons, per dozen 20c, Gallon can Maple Drip Syrup for 69c

Great Can Table Syrup 8 1-3. California Prunes, per lb 5c, 3 packages Currants 25c, Muscatel Raisins, per lb 7c, Gallon Can Syrup 29c.

Lion and Javanese Coffee per package 10c. 3 lb can Egg Plums 10c, 3 lb can Green Gage Plums 10c, 2 lb can Blackberries, per can 7c, 2 lb can Gooseberries, per can 7c, Gallon Can Damson Plums 30c, Jar Heinz apple butter 35c, 3 lb can apple butter 10c, Jar fruit jam 10c, Seaboro Beach Clam Juice, per can 15c, Monarch Spinach, per can 15c, Faust Oyster Cocktail Catsup 25c, Shredded Cod Fish 25c, 3 packages for 25c, Condensed Fish Balls 25c, 3 packages for 25c, Cove Oysters per can 7c

BOSTON CASH GROCERY

of Chicken Ridge, attended the M. E. services Sunday.

One of the pleasantest events of the season was the surprise birthday anniversary of M. H. Canfield, of North Prairie, it being his fifty-second birthday. Mrs. Canfield and son, Walter, planned the surprise for him. About forty guests enjoyed a most pleasant evening of music, both vocal and instrumental. Mr. Kitzman and Fisher brothers rendered some very delightful instrumental selections. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Rev. Rollingson filled his appointment here at Home Prairie Sunday, notwithstanding the cold weather. He gave a very interesting talk, and also made a few very appropriate remarks to the Sunday school.

Word has been received of the death of the eldest child of Rev. Hughes, our former pastor, now of Mt Zion. They have the sympathy of a large circle of friends here.

HUMESTON. Humeston, Jan. 4.—John Bacon and Dorra Daily went to Corydon Sunday to attend the dedication of the new M. E. church.

Mrs. Jennie McKibben is entertaining her cousin, Mrs. Daily, this week.

Mrs. D. W. Ulm is entertaining her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Leavitt, of Osceola.

Presiding Elder Thompson and wife visited in town Saturday.

John Ault came home Saturday to visit his parents a few weeks.

Rev. E. B. Heaton took dinner at the Ulm home Saturday.

Bert Thompson came down from Creston Wednesday to spend a few days with his parents.

Miss Ethel Kirby, from Seymour, is visiting her cousin, Etha Kirby, west of town.

The dedication of the M. E. church at Corydon Sunday was well attended.

Miss Jennie Rhildaffer, of Tingley, spent a few days in town last week visiting old friends.

Revival meetings are now in progress at the M. E. church.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ault, of Chillicothe, have moved back to Humeston.

Mrs. G. A. Axline entertained one day last week in honor of her sister, Miss Rea, of Ida Grove.

Miss Dollie Blackman, of this place, and Mrs. Stone, were married Monday evening at the home of Charlie Blackman. D. P. Goodrich, justice of the peace, performed the ceremony.

Frank Rush had the misfortune to have several of his ribs broken.

Miss Myrtle Dent and the Misses Rea were guests of Gracie Downs Saturday.

Joe Moon has sold his farm and is now looking up a location elsewhere.

Miss Ruba Clark spent vacation at home.

ALBANY. Albany, Jan. 4.—Roscoe Smith entertained a large number of his friends New Year's night, at the beautiful home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Smith, in the west part of town, in honor of his friend, Lester Jay. Everyone present admits it was the most successful affair of the season. Refreshments were served at 9:30 o'clock. The evening passed rapidly in games, the most interesting of which was the game of "wink."

Sunday school at the U. B. church

was reorganized last Sunday, and the following officers elected: Samuel Hudgens, superintendent; F. A. Noland, assistant superintendent; Maude Simmons, secretary; Adeth Hudgens, chorister; Willie Simmons, treasurer; Stella Ross, librarian.