

URGES TEACHERS TO ATTEND MEET

STATE SUPERINTENDENT RIGGS BOOSTS SOUTHEASTERN IOWA MEETING TO BE HELD HERE

PROGRAM IS ISSUED

Ottumwa Pedagogues Will Not Only Royally Entertain Visitors, But Will Take Prominent Part in the Convention.

John F. Riggs, state superintendent of public instruction, in a circular to the superintendents and school boards of southeastern Iowa urges them to allow all teachers to attend the sixteenth annual session of the Southeastern Iowa Teacher's association.

Complete Program Out. The complete program of the convention has been issued from the press and copies have been sent to the teachers throughout this section.

While the Ottumwa pedagogues will do everything in their power to make the visit of the teachers in the city one of pleasure and entertainment, they will also take a prominent part in the program.

The complete program of the meeting is as follows: THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 7. First Methodist Church—8 O'Clock. Music—Organ Recital. Invocation. Music—Vocal.

FRIDAY MORNING, APRIL 8. High School Assembly Room—9 to 10:30 O'Clock. Address, "New Wine in Old Bottles"—Prof. Irving King, State University of Iowa.

FRIDAY EVENING, APRIL 8. First Methodist Church—8 O'Clock. Music. Address, "The Relation of Knowing to Teaching"—Hon. Robert J. Aley, Indianapolis, Ind.

SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 9. High School Assembly Room—9:00 O'Clock. Address, "A Plea for the Definite in Education"—Prof. W. C. Bagley, University of Illinois.

Address, "Essentials and Nonessentials in Arithmetic"—Supt. S. L. Heet, St. Paul, Minn.

Conferences. Friday, April 8, forenoon, 10:30 o'clock. High school. ENGLISH CONFERENCE. 10:30 a. m.—Assembly Room. Leader—Prin. Martha E. Emry, Fairfield.

II.—The Influence of the Teacher in the Development of Real Interest and Pleasure in the Old Classics—Miss Ethel G. Nichols, Washington. Discussion—Miss Jessie Paulger, Hedrick, and Miss Velma Downing, West Liberty.

GERMAN CONFERENCE. 10:30 a. m.—Lecture Room. Leader—Prof. R. H. Perring, Grinnell college, Grinnell.

LATIN CONFERENCE. 10:30 a. m.—Room 8. Leader—O. H. Lowery, Davenport. I. Prosody in Secondary Latin Poetry.

HISTORY CONFERENCE. 10:30 a. m.—Room 10. Leader—Supt. L. A. Wilson, Eldon. I. The History Recitation.—Supt. W. W. Overmyer, West Liberty.

MATHEMATICS CONFERENCE. 10:30 a. m.—Room 2. Leader—Supt. Hugh M. Gilmore, Albia. I. What Mathematics Should Be Effective and What Prescribed in the High School Course of Study?—Miss Cora E. Porter, Fairfield.

SCIENCE CONFERENCE. 10:30 a. m.—Biology Room. Leader—Lewis B. Mull, Ottumwa. I. Science in the High School Curriculum.

SPECIAL CONFERENCE. 10:30 a. m.—Room A. Leader—Supt. H. E. Blackmar, Iowa City. The Employment of Special Teachers and Their Relation to the School.

NATURE STUDY AND AGRICULTURE CONFERENCE. 10:30 a. m.—Room 6. Leader—County Supt. Chas. H. Young, Oskaloosa. I. The Teaching of Agriculture in the Public Schools—How Much and How?—Prof. A. V. Storm, State College Ames; County Supt. H. S. McVicker, Sigourney; County Supt. Geo. E. Farrell, Clinton.

II. The Value of Nature Study—Miss Emma Nye, Eddyville; Miss

Blanche V. Lytle, Grinnell; Miss Anna Yenney. Round Tables. Friday, April 8, Afternoon 2 o'clock. High School. COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS' ROUND TABLE.

Chairman—Lincoln Antrim, Henry county. I. Sane Legislation—A. L. Heminger, Van Buren county; Claude M. Miller, Johnson county.

II. School Visitation—Miss Flora M. Purvis, Washington county; E. C. Lynn, Lee county. III. County Meetings, Teachers and Officers—Mark Mullin, Iowa county; Mrs. Laura M. R. Gow, Lucas county.

IV. How Can We Raise the Standard of the Teaching Force?—Chas. H. Young, Mahaska county; Miss M. Jane Redick, Wayne county. SUPERINTENDENTS' AND PRINCIPALS' ROUND TABLE. 2 p. m.—Lecture Room.

Chairman—Supt. C. H. Carson, Marengo. I. Some Means of Securing the Cooperation of Parents—Supt. William Aldrich, Keokuk. Discussion—Supt. T. M. Clevenger, Brooklyn.

II. Medical Inspection in the Public Schools—Supt. F. W. Else, Oskaloosa. Discussion—Supt. A. C. Fuller, Washington.

III. Playground Equipment and Supervision—Prin. Wm. J. Sampson, Burlington. Discussion—Supt. C. W. Cruikshank, Mt. Pleasant. IV. Vocational Studies Against College Entrance Requirements—Supt. W. F. Chevalier, Muscatine.

Discussion—Supt. W. W. Overmyer, West Liberty. General discussion will follow each topic. HIGH SCHOOL ROUND TABLE. 2 p. m.—Room 6. Chairman—Prin. Geo. Edw. Marshall Davenport.

I. Are College Requirements an Aid or a Detriment to the Influence of the High School?—Prin. H. M. Elliott, Burlington. II. Do High Schools Attempt to do Too Much?—Prin. Geo. A. Brown, of Grinnell.

III. Some Desirable Changes in the Matter of High School Mathematics—Miss Harriet E. Solomon, Keokuk. IV. To What Extent is it Practicable and Reasonable to Teach Agriculture in the High School?—Prin. F. G. Robb, Washington.

GRAMMAR AND INTERMEDIATE ROUND TABLE. 2 p. m.—Biology Room. Chairman—Prin. Robert K. Corlett, Burlington.

I. Mathematical Grading and the Dropping-out Problem—Supt. E. A. Cromer, New London. II. Individual Differences in the Grades—Prin. A. H. Packer, Ft. Madison.

III. Reading. I. Supplementary Reading and Dramatization in the Intermediate Grades. 2.—The Thought-Getting Aspect of Grammar Grade Reading.

IV. Utilizing the Playground.—Prin. Elizabeth Sheahan, Oskaloosa. 2.—Folk Games (Illustrated)—Prin. Mary C. McKitterick, Burlington. PRIMARY ROUND TABLE. 2 p. m.—Room 4.

Chairman—Miss Katherine Stichter, Washington. The following topics will be discussed by Miss Mattie Louise Hatcher, Primary Supervisor State Teachers' college, Cedar Falls. The teachers present are expected to enter freely into the general discussion of each topic:

I. Number work. 1.—How Much? When Introduced? How Presented? 2.—The value of Number work as Compared with Other Subjects in the Primary Grade.

II. The Value and Result of Sense Training and Allied Work. III. Phonics: How Much? When? IV. Reading. 1.—What Method of Reading Should be Used for Beginners? 2.—How large a Vocabulary Should be Given the First Year?

V. The most Profitable Seat Work. VI. Do we make the Work Too Extensive and Not Intensive Enough in the First Grade? RURAL ROUND TABLE. 2 p. m.—Room 2.

Chairman—Miss Bessie B. Buchanan Co. Supt., Fairfield. I. Some Defects in Our Rural Schools. How Shall We Remedy Them?—Prof. R. A. Harkness.

II. What Has the Rural School Teacher a Right to Expect from the Institute?—County Superintendent A. L. Heminger, Keosauqua; Miss Anna Mahon.

III. How May a Better Classification and Gradation of the Rural Schools be Obtained?—County Supt. Laura M. R. Gow, Chariton; Co. Supt. Elizabeth Burgess, Ottumwa.

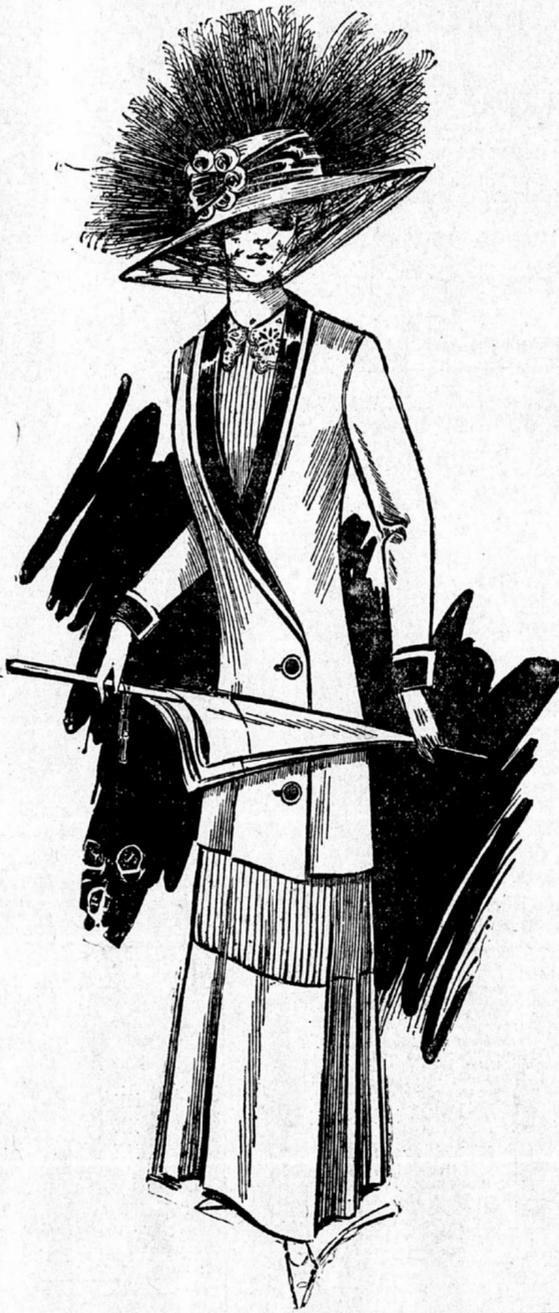
IV. The Professional Work of the Rural Teacher.—Co. Supt. Claude M. Miller, Iowa City; Co. Supt. Estelle Coon, Brooklyn. V. Topics for General Discussion. 1.—How May County Uniformity be Enforced? 2.—What is the Best Method of Managing the Music in Ungraded Schools?

3.—What Part May the Teacher Have in Creating a Sentiment for Better School Buildings? MUSIC ROUND TABLE. 2 p. m.—Assembly Room. Chairman—Phillip C. Hayden, Keokuk.

I. How to Prepare Written Work and How to Make the Most of It?—Prof. C. A. Fullerton, State Teachers' college, Cedar Falls. II. The Child Work in the School Room.—Ernest Otto, Davenport.

III. Music Appreciation and the Music Course in the High School.—Mrs. Theodosia Harrison, Ottumwa. IV. Topics for Discussion. 1.—Do We Have Time to Accomplish What We Wish in School Music and Also Devote More Time to Special Day Programs? 2.—How to Arouse and Keep Interest in the Seventh and Eighth Grades. 3.—The Lists of Examination Questions in Music Sent out from Des Moines. 4.—How Much Part Singing Should

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be Done in the Intermediate Grades? 5.—What Syllables Should be Used in Singing the Minor Scale? 6.—Why do so Many Teachers Begin Work in Music in the Key of C? 7.—Work Based on the Child's Song Experience That We Can Use in Sight Reading. 8.—Where Two Grades are in One Room How Should the Work be Managed When the New Class Enters. Note.—Mrs. Harrison, Supervisor of Music, and Mr. Stuart, superintendent of schools, extend an invitation to all who are interested in school music to visit the Ottumwa schools on Thursday. Those who intend to accept this invitation should notify Mrs. Harrison. A class of pupils from the Fifth and Sixth grades of the Ottumwa schools will be present to furnish musical numbers and to take part in demonstration work in this round table. MANUAL TRAINING AND DRAWING ROUND TABLE. 2 p. m.—Library. Chairman—Harold Diemer, of Ottumwa. I. Handwork in the Lower Grades—Miss Caroline Eckers, Ottumwa. II. The Citizens' View of Manual Training—J. E. Hull, Ottumwa. DOMESTIC SCIENCE ROUND TABLE. 2 p. m.—Room 10. Chairman—Miss Elizabeth Graham, Burlington. I. The Three H's—the Head, the Hand and the Heart—Miss Ella R. Hopkins, Oskaloosa. Discussion—Miss Josephine Schiffer, Des Moines; Miss Linine Savage, Fairfield. II. How May the Standard of Work be Emphasized?—Miss Luella Kilborne, Mason City. Discussion—Miss Margaret Gleason, Davenport; Miss Nellie Nash, Waterloo. III. Preserving Unity in Education While Meeting the Demands for Industrial Training—Miss Grace Warner, Onawa. Discussion—Miss Bertha Schmidt, Dubuque; Miss Augusta Ziesing, Cedar Rapids. IV. General Discussion. ELDON MAN PENSIONED William Gruver is One of Fifteen Rock Island Employees Who Are Retired With Salary. Des Moines, March 29.—(Special.)—The Rock Island railroad has decided to pension fifteen more employees. Among them are J. B. Davis, car painter at Valley Junction; Frank Hagman, car foreman, Davenport; D. J. Keogh, janitor, Burlington; Charles S. Van der Vert, car inspector, Burlington; Frank W. Bradley, Cedar Rapids; Frank A. Davis, Cedar Rapids; L. M. Grant, Croton; William Flannagan, Cedar Rapids; William J. Gruver, Eldon; John Martin, Trenton; Jeremiah Cahalan, Cedar Rapids; Michael Farral, Livermore; John Concannon, Keokuk; John Clifford, Des Moines. Some of them will get as high as \$90 a month. The Election at Agency. Agency, March 30.—(Special.)—The election here yesterday was hotly contested. In a three cornered fight for the office of mayor between John Connelly, Democrat, G. L. Nye, Republican and Nate Harper, Independent, Connelly was the victor. In the race for councilman for two years, Jesse Ankrom and John Triblow tied. They will draw straws to see which one shall have the place. The other results were as follows: Councilmen for three years, Mose Patterson and Charles Graham, councilman for one year, John Newell, Clerk, W. H. Reynolds, treasurer, H. E. Woodford and assessor, Frank Wheaton. given by Miss Bertha Waugaman were rendered in a most excellent manner. Miss Waugaman recently completed the course in music in the Oskaloosa college and ranks high as a musician. It is hoped the quartet will visit Eddyville again in the future. Joe Johnson and Chas. Stuber purchased 80 acres of land from Steve Lams. W. H. Gray made a business trip to Kansas City recently. Mr. and Mrs. Dave Demme and daughter Louise went to Albia to spend Easter with relatives. Mrs. Kate Ankey left to visit in Hittman for a few days before leaving for her new home in South Dakota. John Sharp living west of town, left for Benton City, Mo., where he will make his future home. Oskaloosa passengers Saturday were Mrs. Lyons and daughter Pearl and Mabel. Chas. Fisher left Saturday for Muscatine on a business trip. Marie and Claire Criswell came down from Oskaloosa to visit their grandmother. Mrs. Clark's mother who has been visiting for some time returned home to Macon City, Mo., Saturday. The storm Friday night did considerable damage in the vicinity of Eddyville. John Hohl lost two valuable horses by lightning. A country store near Buxton burned. French Adopt Tariff. Paris, March 30.—A bill approving the Franco-American tariff agreement was adopted unanimously today by the deputies.