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Just received another hundred "Ladies," Crescent Drug and Book store, Second and Court streets.

Mrs. C. Channel and Miss Bessie Whitmore of Batavia were visitors in the city this morning.

Roger H. Owen, 226 East Fourth st., has returned from a few days' visit in Carthage and Warsaw, Ill.

Mrs. Matt McCarthy of Oskaloosa is visiting at the home of Mrs. Leonard Johnson, 129 North Cass street.

Orville Kendall, formerly a reporter on the Courier, but now sports editor on the Moline Mail, is visiting friends in the city over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Packwood, 732 Ellis avenue, left this morning for Red Lodge, Mont., being called there by the illness of a relative.

Miss Bertha Wormhoudt, Henry Wormhoudt and Harry Hansell returned last evening from Ames to spend the holidays with their parents.

J. P. Miller has returned to Marble Rock, Iowa, after visiting at the home of his niece, Mrs. W. O. Livingston, 214 South Davis street.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Giese of Ames spent today with the latter's brother, L. D. Kelly, 109 North Weller street, en route to Danville to spend two weeks with relatives.

Will Wilkinson, who attends college at Grinnell, has arrived home to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. W. T. Wilkinson, 357 North Marion street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Palmer of North Wells avenue, attended the wedding of Mrs. Palmer's cousin, Elsie May Overholser, to Ralph W. Ogden of Storm Lake Thursday.

Mrs. Z. Hollinger of Tama, who has been visiting for the past week at the home of her sister, Mrs. M. L. Johnson, 712 North Wapello street, left this morning on Burlington No. 3 for Creston.

C. B. Jordan of Minneapolis arrived this morning on the Rock Island to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Jordan, 419 North Court street. Mrs. Jordan has been here for the past week.

CLOSING ARGUMENT MADE.

Sigourney, Dec. 20.—In the malpractice case of Elizabeth McGuire vs. Drs. Negus & Negus, which has been on trial in the district court before a jury since Monday, the closing argument to the jury was made Friday afternoon by Attorney D. W. Hamilton for the plaintiff and the jury instructed. It is not expected that the jury will bring in a verdict today.

SENATE PASSES BILL TO CHANGE THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM OF U. S.

Currency Reform Measure Is Carried by Vote of 54 to 34

FORCES DIVIDE IN LAST MOMENTS WORK

Conferees of Both Houses Meet to Adjust All Differences

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—The administration currency reform bill, proposing a revision of the financial system of the United States, and the creation of regional reserve banks, passed the senate last night by a vote of 54 to 34.

Final work of preparing the administration currency bill for President Wilson's signature was begun today when house and senate conferees met to compromise differences between the "Owen substitute" as the measure was known as it passed the senate and Glass bill which was the administration measure of the house. Senators Reed, O'Gorman, Pomerene, Shafrath and Hollis democrats, and Senators Nelson, Bristow and Crawford republicans will represent the senate in the conference. Chairman Glass of the house banking committee, who was sponsor for the bill in the house will head the house conferees who will include Representatives Korbly and Hayes. An effort will be made to agree on a report which both houses of congress can accept, so that the bill may be finally engrossed and taken to the white house to become a law with President Wilson's signature by Tuesday.

The principal points of differences which will have to be agreed on or compromised are the number of the regional reserve banks as guarantee of deposits, the length of maturing of paper for rediscout at regional banks, the percentage of gold reserve to be required against the circulating notes and the time limit of mortgages on which national banks will be permitted to make farm loans.

Democratic Leader Underwood, in the house, sees no serious points of differences in the two bills; the guarantee of deposits, which was inserted by the senate is practically the only change made in fundamentals. All the changes made by the senate are understood to be agreeable to President Wilson.

As one administration official put it today, "the plan is to have the president sign this bill before Wednesday, so that it may become a Christmas present for the American people."

Defeat Central Bank.
 Forces that had fought together for improvement and amendment of the measure to the last, divided when the final vote came. Senator Hitchcock, who had led the opposition to the bill, returned to the democratic ranks and Senator Weeks, one of the leaders on the republican side, with five other republicans and Senator Polinder (progressive) voted for the passage of the measure.

The adoption of the administration bill, known as the "Owen bill," followed the formal defeat by 44 to 41 of the "Hitchcock bill," which had been endorsed by Senator Hitchcock and the five republican members of the evenly divided senate committee that passed on the legislation. The senate had previously rejected, without a roll call, a "central bank" bill offered as a substitute by Senator Burton.

Sensors For Bill.
 The senators who voted for the Owen bill were:
 Democrats—Ashurst, Bacon, Bankhead, Bryan, Chamberlain, Chilton,

Clarke, Fletcher, Gore, Hitchcock, Hollis, Hughes, James, Johnson, Kern, Lane, Lea, Lewis, Martin, Martine, Myers, Newlands, O'Gorman, Overman, Owen, Pittman, Pomerene, Ransdell, Reed, Robinson, Saulsbury, Shafrath, Sheppard, Shields, Shively, Simmons, Smith of Arizona, Smith of Georgia, Smith of Maryland, Smith of South Carolina, Swanson, Thomas, Thompson, Tillman, Vandaman, Walsh and Williams—47.

Republicans—Crawford, Jones, Perkins, Norris, Sterling and Weeks—6. Progressives—Polinder.

Senators Against Bill.
 Those who voted against the bill were:
 Republicans—Borah, Bradley, Brady, Brandegee, Bristow, Burton, Catron, Clapp, Colt, Cummins, Dillingham, Du Pont, Gallinger, Goff, Gronna, Jackson, Kenyon, LaFollette, Lippitt, McCumby, McLean, Nelson, Oliver, Page, Root, Sherman, Smith of Michigan, Smoot, Sutherland, Stephenson, Townsend, Warren and Works—34.

Absent and paired: Burchell, Clark, (Wyoming), Culberson, Fall, Lodge, Stone, Thornton.

Vacancy: Alabama.

Must Appoint Board.
 When the bill becomes law, President Wilson will be confronted with taking the first step to put it into effect. That will be the appointment of a federal reserve board of seven members who will make all the arrangements for the transition from the present currency system to the new one. Many suggestions have been made as to the personnel of the board.

FAIRFIELD PLANS FOR A PLAYGROUND

Fairfield, Dec. 20.—The three ward schools of Fairfield will very soon have public playgrounds as a part of their equipment. Such a movement was started a few weeks ago and taken in hand by the Parent-Teacher's club of the various ward schools. Plans were discussed at a union meeting at the high school building this week. Voluntary subscriptions of parents and others.

The students of the Washington, Lincoln and Logan schools will soon have many of the modern and up-to-date games and playtime equipments which have brought so much happiness to the children of other cities. It is regarded as quite probable that the equipment at the Washington building will be installed at once as the project was first discussed in a meeting there and preliminary arrangements made by the matter was taken up by the other districts. Some of the equipment will be made in the manual training department under the direction of Prof. H. D. Repass.

The children of the city are delighted over the proposed playgrounds and can hardly wait until the equipment is in place. Many of these children fairly live on the playgrounds at Chautauqua park during each assembly and now that they are to have play grounds in their schools they are preparing to enjoy themselves to the fullest extent.

CEDAR RAPIDS MAN HEADS S. I. H. SOCIETY

Fairfield, Dec. 20.—The southwestern Iowa Horticultural association has closed a very profitable three day annual meeting here with the election of the following officers:

President—A. J. Baumhoefer, Cedar Rapids; vice president, Millard Hartington, Williamsburg; secretary, W. T. Richey, Albia; treasurer, F. O. Hartington, Williamsburg; directors, W. C. Richey, Thornburg, S. B. Dewey, Washington, Sanford Zeigler, Fairfield, S. W. Snyder, Center Point; Prof. S. A. Beach, Ames and Roland Sherbourne, Lone Tree.

The next convention of the association will be held in Burlington. An unusually excellent display of fruit and flowers was exhibited among the local people who received awards were the following: F. F. Simmons, apples; H. C. Alston, apples, Sanford Zeigler, apples, plums, pears, and strawberries. Mrs. P. H. Fisher, canned fruit.

Men of prominence all over southeastern Iowa were in attendance and the program was given in Library hall which was filled with interested local people Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Among the speakers were: Hon. F. P. Spencer, Randolph; S. B. Dewey, Washington; Prof. Lawrence Green, Ames; Ralph W. Lamsen, Fairfield and others.

ISEMINGER POST NAMES OFFICERS

Chariton, Dec. 20.—Iseminger post, G. A. R. has elected the following officers for the ensuing year:
 Post commander—Wm. Harding.
 Senior vice commander—Thos. Anderson.
 Junior vice commander—W. L. Clapp.
 Chaplain—Frank Smith.
 Officer of the day—Jas. McFarland.
 Officer of the guard—Thos. Gookin.
 Quartermaster—S. B. Swift.
 Patriotic instructor—L. F. Maple.
 Delegate to state encampment—W. T. Israel; alternate delegate, William Graham.
 Trustees—Comrades H. Pouchers, W. W. Callahan and Thos. Gookin.

LACK FUNERAL FRIDAY.

Chariton, Dec. 20.—The remains of Mrs. Jas. Lack of St. Joe, Mo., formerly of this city, were brought to Chariton yesterday evening and interred in the Oxford cemetery east of this city. Mrs. Lack was a sister of Mrs. Dick Threlkeld and Mrs. Bryan of Lincoln township. She is survived by her husband and several grown children. During her long residence in this county she made a host of friends who will extend heartfelt sympathy to the surviving relatives.

Twenty-Five Years Ago

—From The Courier Files—

December 20.—The fair at the armory last evening was a very nice thing indeed. The Company G boys drilled admirably, and so did the Dairy Maids. Capt. Wheelock is a natural drill leader. Jo Loomis presented a cyst which is to be voted to the most popular wholesale merchant. Jacob Sax presented a smoking jacket to be voted to the maker of the most popular brand of cigars. The Golden Eagle clothing house presented a seal skin cap to be voted to the most popular insurance agent. Frank Worcester presented an oil painting valued at \$30 to be voted to the most popular shoe dealer. Ten cents secures one vote in each of these cases. The war relics gathered are a sight well worth seeing. Oysters, lemonade, fruits and confections are served during the evening. It is a good place to go and Company G is entirely worthy of your patronage. The fact is all our people should spend a trifle with the boys and the small sums put together would make a big sum.

The trade in holiday goods is growing livelier every day, and nearly all the stores (or at least those who advertise) have to have extra clerks to wait on the large numbers of customers who crowd their counters. The directors of the public library have reduced the subscription during the holidays to \$2 a year. No more appropriate present could be given than one of these yearly subscriptions.

December 21.—There will be a meeting for men Sunday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. led by C. G. Keyhoe. All men are cordially invited.

The electric light wires got crossed B. & Q. some way last night and shut off all the incandescent lights for several hours, leaving stores and residences in darkness except so far as it could be relieved by candles and lamps, or places where they had gas to fall back upon.

December 22.—Miss Laura Garner, who attends St. Mary's school at Knoxville, Ill., is at home to spend the holidays with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Garner.

The A. M. E. church will have a Christmas tree at the city hall on Christmas eve. There will be a grand concert given by the young ladies and gentlemen of said church, also there will be a festival. A literary program has been prepared. Everybody cor-

dially invited to bring presents to hang on the tree.
 Morrell and Co., have packed 51,000 hogs since November 1, which is 12,000 more than was killed in a corresponding period in 1887. They are now packing between eight and nine thousand per week.
 The hogs they are now killing are generally very heavy, and the best for lard they have ever slaughtered. They have difficulty in getting as many hogs weighing from 150 to 200 pounds as they want. They now have over 400 hands employed. They have ice enough on hand to last through next summer, if the crop should fall this winter.

December 24.—The Swedish Lutheran church will have services at 5 a. m. and 10 a. m. Christmas. Christmas tree for the Sunday school Wednesday evening. The First M. E. church will have a Christmas house and Christmas tree for the Sabbath school this evening. The Presbyterian church will serve an elegant supper for the Sabbath school and have suitable exercises this evening. The East End chapel will have a Christmas tree and Santa Claus in person this evening. A quartet from the high school will furnish some good music.

December 25.—We understand that since Ed Daggert moved his dairy to the Taylor farm, above town, several attempts have been made by footpads to hold up his drivers and rob the till of the milk wagons. That is the kind of a case where a pistol might be used to advantage.
 Married:—Upp-Schlagater; at the residence of the bride's parents, in Polk township, December 23 at 12 noon, Mr. Frank Upp, of Blakesburg, and Miss Carrie Schlagater, Rev. W. A. Nye officiating. The bride is a most estimable young lady, whom to know is to respect and love. The groom is a rising young architect of Blakesburg. The bride was handsomely attired in bronze plush, ornamented with natural flowers. The bride and groom were attended by Miss Carrie and Master Frank Hofmann, of Ottumwa. About eighty guests witnessed the impressive ceremony, and extended their hearty congratulations to the happy couple, after which an elegant repast was served. The bride received many beautiful and costly presents.

WOMAN GIVES LAND FOR NEW SCHOOL

Burlington, Dec. 20.—One of the finest results of the Christmas spirit noted in Burlington is the gift of the new Madison school site, to the district by Mrs. C. E. Perkins. The donation represents the handsome sum of \$5,500. The lots which have been purchased for the new site were part of the original Perkins homestead. Wm. F. McFarland tendered the gift to the board yesterday afternoon on behalf of Mrs. Perkins. He accompanied the letter by a few brief remarks pertinent to the subject, referring to Mr. Perkins' love for and interest in the old home town and his interest in the public schools. Often, as he sat in the verandah, he would note the youngsters on their way to and from West Madison school, and he frequently voiced his pleasure at the sight.

FATHER BROWNRIGGS GIVES UP CHARGE

Burlington, Dec. 20.—Following the resignation of Rev. Father Brownriggs, as pastor of St. Patrick's church, which occurred this week, Father Hundt, who was temporarily in charge of the parish, announced yesterday that Rev. Father B. J. Fitzsimmons, now at Nichols, Iowa, will succeed to the position. Father Fitzsimmons will come to Burlington about January 4. He is about forty-five years old and was ordained as a priest eighteen years ago. Father Fitzsimmons has been in Nichols about fifteen years, where he has done most excellent work for the church. He will be warmly welcomed by the people of the Burlington parish, although they sincerely regret the illness that deprives them of the kindly work of their former pastor, Father Brownriggs.

ACCEPT SENATE AMENDMENT.

Conferees know that they favored an increase.
 A compromise plan for retiring the conference accepted the senate amendment increasing the gold reserve behind the new notes to be issued from 33 1-3 per cent as fixed in the house bill to 40 per cent with the graduated tax on depletion as arranged in the senate. It was understood that President Wilson and Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo let the conference accept the senate amendment. Under the plans \$36,000,000 worth of these bonds will be purchased each year beginning two years after the system is placed in operation by the new regional banks of the present national banks. On one-half of its holdings each regional bank may issue currency. The remainder will be refunded in three per cent, thirty year bonds or three per cent one year treasury notes, which the banks must agree to renew each year for thirty years. Another senate amendment that was crushed out in the conference was the proposal to guarantee bank deposits.

CANTRIL.

Married, Sunday Dec. 14, at the home of Joe Burkett, Miss Elsie Davies to Arthur Judd Rev. F. A. Smith officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Harryman entertained at dinner Monday Mrs. Kate L. Holder and Mrs. Mary E. Jack.

Mr. Harryman's son from Douds, Iowa, was a guest of his father the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jericho of New London were in Cantril Sunday afternoon.

Bernice and Billa Saar are visiting in Henderson, Ill.

Ray Cunningham returned from Colorado Saturday.

Mrs. Renfro of Milton is a guest of E. H. Rider and wife.

Meetings at the Christian church closed Monday evening. There were ten additions to the church.
 W. W. Welborn has the frame up for his new house.
 Mr. and Mrs. John Tulley of Oregon are visiting the former's father and sisters here.
 The I. O. O. F. observed home coming at their hall Saturday evening. The address given by Elder Pettit and the solo by Mrs. Holder were very much appreciated by all present.
 Mary Burrows and daughter Eva visited in Cantril Thursday and Friday. Zola Garrett visited Thelma Park the first of the week.
 Glenn and Nellie Rogers were guests of Mr. Harryman Sunday.
 Chas. John is visiting his son in Chillicothe.
 Dr. Jesse Saar will lecture Sunday evening at the M. E. church on the subject of tuberculosis.
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Casady, a daughter.
 Mrs. N. N. Bennett and Mrs. Lawson Lock were in Ottumwa Saturday. Mabel Creath were in Ottumwa shopping Tuesday.

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IRVIN S. PEPPER CALLED BY DEATH

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Very critical and perhaps will be decided within next forty-eight hours.

Taken Ill November 14.
 Congressman Pepper was taken suddenly ill with acute indigestion at Clinton November 14 while in that city to settle the postmaster problem which was one of the federal patronage questions he came home from Washington to investigate. He had also planned to attend the annual alumni celebration at the state university in Iowa City but was stricken before reaching his destination. He had arranged to meet State Chairman N. F. Reed in Ottumwa and visit with his brother here after returning from Iowa City, Sunday, November 16, but Mr. Reed called to see him at Clinton later instead. Typhoid fever developed and later peritonitis which ultimately resulted in his death early this morning.

Those surviving the deceased congressman are:
 The father, John Pepper of Ottumwa; three brothers, Ben S. of Ottumwa; Ed L. of Conley Springs, Kan., and Dr. J. L. of Goldfield. Also five sisters, Mrs. Myra T. Weller, of Mitchell, S. D., Mrs. Harriet Minthorn of Rogue River, Ore.; Mrs. Olive Harbaugh, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Bertha Pratt, Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. Nell P. Leider, Mitchell, S. D.

May Call Special Election.
 Des Moines, Dec. 22.—A special election in the second congressional district to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Congressman I. S. Pepper early today, is likely to be called, according to information at the state house. Gov. Clarke, whose duty would be to call the election, was out of the city and no expression from him on the subject was obtained.

SKETCH OF LIFE OF I. S. PEPPER

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protest. And yet he felt the depth of their disappointment, all unexpressed as it was.

Throughout Sunday he pondered over the question. He counted the cost of defeat, he estimated the chances of victory. And ever foremost in his mind was the thought of his parents and the happiness his success would mean to them. He returned to Muscatine undecided. In the morning he awoke with the thought of the family circle he had left in Ottumwa still strong upon him. As he passed down the street to his office a trifling incident brought him to the instant of his decision. The chasm before him was deep and forbidding, but beyond the gulf lay a country good to look upon. He took the leap. When on the fateful night of November 8, from this office

were announced the first returns from Scott county his fellow citizens knew that Pepper had landed, on his feet, and smiling on the other side.

Is Victor in Primary.
 Despite the fact that he entered the primary race so late that extraordinary efforts were necessary to circulate his petitions in the counties of the district, secure the requisite number of signers and file the documents with the state authorities within the prescribed time limits he was successful, defeating his opponent, Dr. De Armand, of Davenport.

In 1910 he was elected congressman over Charles Grik, the republican candidate and two years later he was re-elected by over 20,000 majority being opposed only by socialist and prohibition candidates.

WEST POINT.
 Willie Schroeder has returned from a several weeks' stay at Keokuk. Mrs. Henry Krimpler and son, Delmar recently visited Mrs. Krimpler's sister, Mrs. Clara McCameron at Fort Madison.

The bazaar given by the ladies of the Presbyterian church Friday evening was a decided success. The fancy work booth attracted much attention and contained many beautiful pieces of work. The selling of pies in the evening was a source of much amusement to the younger people, the pies averaging \$1 each. \$121 was realized from the affair.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Harmeyer were in Burlington Friday and Saturday purchasing the furnishings for their new home.

Miss Ruth Elliott of Hillsboro is a guest of Miss Helene Wilson.
 Wm. Younk left Saturday for a visit with his brother at Bloomfield.

BLOOMFIELD.
 Wilber Carroll and wife are in St. Louis this week on business.
 L. M. Overturf of Carbon visited his nephew John Overturf Monday. Mrs. C. D. Evans, and Odie Wilson of this city started to Nebraska Tuesday to look for a location.
 Daniel Hedrick and wife went to Ottumwa Tuesday to visit their daughter Mrs. C. D. Evans.
 Palmer Trimble of Keokuk was a visitor here Tuesday.
 Gilbert Cox of Ft. Madison visited at the parental Ed Cox home Thursday.
 The Sunday school of the Christian church will give the children their annual Christmas treat next Sunday.
 Mrs. Ralph Sherman who was called here to attend the funeral of her sister-in-law Mrs. Grider returned to her home in Malcom Tuesday.
 J. W. Wright of Audubon was a business caller Tuesday enroute to Fairfield to visit friends.
 Rev. J. E. Newsom contemplates revival services at the M. E. church, to commence on the first Sunday in January.

Miss Fay Caldwell and Henry Carey were married Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the home prepared by the groom at 225 South Adella street, by Justice of the Peace H. C. Nosler.

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