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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. Hettie Burns has returned to Moline, Ill., after visiting her sister, Mrs. Wesley Smith on Hamilton street.

Rev. W. W. Vinson, 805 Wabash avenue, is attending the quarterly conference at Birmingham.

Mrs. L. E. Meagher of Omaha, Nebr., who has been visiting in Tennessee and Missouri is visiting at the home of her daughter Mrs. J. Shankle, 107 South Ward street and other relatives.

Mrs. A. W. Streed returned to Middletown last evening after attending the Presbyterian convention and visiting friends.

Dr. and Mrs. Page L. Gilbert have left for Chattanooga, Tenn., to visit with relatives for the next three weeks.

Mrs. J. R. Green, 1125 Hayne street, has gone to Eldon to visit her mother, Mrs. C. P. Perry.

Miss Nellie Krotter of the high school faculty, has gone to Knoxville, Ill., to visit her mother, Mrs. Mary Krotter, for a few days.

Mrs. J. W. Snyder, 131 South Ransom street, has gone to Albia to visit her mother, Mrs. C. H. Grinnell.

Mr. and Mrs. John Luke of Hitman, who have been visiting in this city at the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. D. Wright, 324 South Moore street, have returned home.

Mrs. Marie Huneke has returned to her home in Burlington, after visiting at the W. D. Shilling home, 543 Hamilton street.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Thorne and children, Cecelia and Paul, 1506 East Second street, have gone to Des Moines to visit friends for a few days.

Howard Root, of Boston, arrived here Friday to spend a short vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Root, 312 North Court street. Misses Mary and Blanche Root, who attend school at Grinnell, are also visiting at the parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Johnston and daughter, Miss Alice, have returned from a four months visit in San Diego, Cal.

Mrs. F. M. Humble and daughter, Miss Gladys, 713 Ellis avenue, have gone to Denver and other western points to spend the summer.

Mrs. Hugh Traul, 609 West Main street, has gone to Agency to visit friends.

Mrs. C. E. Stroud, who lives south of Ottumwa, has gone to Kirksville to visit friends.

Mrs. E. Elkins, 2326 East Main street, has gone to Agency to visit friends.

Mrs. Edward Van Tyne of Davenport has returned home after visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. E. Doherty, 520 Sheridan avenue.

Miss Bessie Rhine of New Sharon has returned to her home after visiting Mrs. E. J. Nordgren, 408 Church street.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Rodibaugh, 234 Grand avenue, have gone to Kansas City to visit friends.

Mrs. C. Knight, 718 East Main street, has gone to Des Moines to visit friends.

Mrs. W. S. Wilson and son, Winfred, of Blakesburg, have returned home after visiting at the home of Mrs. R. J. Reveal, South Moore street.

Mrs. L. Lee, formerly of Ottumwa but at present of Pasadena, Calif., passed through Ottumwa Thursday en route to Farson to visit her daughter, Mrs. E. L. Rodgers.

Mrs. M. J. Shoemaker, formerly of the south side, has left for Mason City to visit her son, George Shoemaker, en route to Kenosha, Wis., where she will spend several weeks with her daughters, Mrs. Leo Buyack and Mrs. John Richardson.

Mrs. John C. Dixon and Mrs. Lura Welch of Albia were in Ottumwa Wednesday afternoon visiting friends.

Miss Mary McDermott of Hitman has returned home after visiting friends in this city.

Miss Muriel Fleig of Rubio has re-

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

I hereby announce myself as candidate for county supervisor on the republican ticket subject to the voters decision at the June primary.
JOHN F. WHITTINGTON.

turned home after visiting friends in Ottumwa.

Mrs. M. W. Thomas of Seymour has returned home after visiting friends in this city.

Mrs. B. H. Burns of Moline, Ill., has returned home after visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. J. Smith, 540 Hamilton street.

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FEARS FOR SAFETY OF HIS PARENTS

MASON CITY MAN WORRIED ABOUT WELFARE OF FATHER AND MOTHER IN MEXICO.

NO REPLY TO DISPATCH

Last Letter Received Told of Taking of Torreón by Villa; Lived in Basement of Office For Time.

Mason City, April 27.—George B. Richards, connected with the Hawkeye Cement Tile company here, is greatly concerned over the welfare of his father and mother, residents of Gomez Palico, in the state of Durango, Mexico. Mr. Richards' father is owner of a large cotton seed oil plant which is situated in that city.

A telegram sent from here four days ago has not been answered and it is Mr. Richards' opinion that wire connections with Gomez Palico and the United States border which are over 600 miles apart, have been cut by rebel forces which have been in control of that region of Mexico.

The last letter received from Mr. Richards' parents tells of the battle of Torreón, which is but the distance of a few miles from their home. The letter in part follows:

"Gomez, Palico, Durango, Mex., April 3, 1914.
Mr. George B. Richards, Mason City, Iowa.

"I am writing this letter to let you know that we are all well. Kindly write to your sisters and notify them that you have heard from us to that effect.

"We have just gone through the bloodiest battle ever known in Mexico. Our factory still stands as it was, but during the battle, about eighty shells from the heavy artillery fell about the plant.

"I am sending you a few copies of the El Paso, Texas, Times, giving full details of the battle. For fifteen days we were in the basement of our office, cooking and eating in the same place. With us were fifty-three others. Business is practically as a standstill, as we can get no coal to carry on things with, and there is no shipping at all."

Fears For Safety.

Mr. Richards' fear for his parents' safety lies in the great anti-American feeling that has arisen in Mexico, and the fact that the rebel forces have joined hands with those of Huerta.

The city of Gomez Palico is situated half way between the United States border and the City of Mexico and in the very hottest part of the country. Twenty-five hundred men are employed in Mr. Richards' factory. Among this number were formerly a number of Americans, although these have all fled to the United States. Mr. Richards says he would rather have his parents be in the rebel zone than to be under the ruling of Huerta's forces if there had been no interference by this country, although he says that at this time he does not know what to expect.

It is Mr. Richards' opinion that Villa would have taken Mexico City within a few months and that within a year and a half at the most the fighting would have been completely over and the government restored, although he agrees with the move on the part of the United States in intervening.

"The trouble with the American people regarding Mexico," said Mr. Richards, "is that the people of this country do not know their neighbors. They go to Europe and all over the world to see odd sights, when all they have to do is to cross the border to the south of them to see some of the queerest people in the world."

"Formerly the country was held to peacefulness by religion, although since the war has started there have been several dozen priests murdered and they have practically no regard for religion. The people of Mexico were peaceful before the war, although they were very treacherous. It is my opinion that the real cause for the start of the upheaval in Mexico is the fact that the wealthy people of the country made the poor people pay all the taxes."

Mr. Richards has spent six years of his life in Mexico, knows the habits of the Mexicans perfectly and has met both Villa and Huerta, leaders of the two forces in Mexico, who have joined hands to fight the United States.

WANTS STATE TO PAY FOR LUNCHES

AVOCA MAN FILES A CLAIM FOR \$120 FOR FOOD WHICH HE SAYS DEER ATE.

SIoux CITY DRIES ISSUE A PAPER

Sioux City, April 27.—A daily newspaper with F. M. Collard as editor, will be issued by the "dry" forces of Sioux City this week, as a part of their anti-temperance campaign. The paper will be regular newspaper size and contain eight pages. The pros and cons of the liquor business will be discussed from all angles in the sheet. There probably will be two issues, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. It is planned to distribute over 10,000 copies in the city.

The mass meeting will be a record breaker in attendance. The advanced forces of the Business Men's Temperance association arrived in the city for their convention which is on in the First Presbyterian church.

REMARKABLE SALE

Women's Apparel

This Week

Suits and Coats to be sold regardless of cost.

There are several reasons why our sales are successful. (1) The amount of cut in price. (2) The seasonableness of the merchandise. (3) The quality and style of the merchandise, etc. Here is a sale that embraces all three, and it will make room for our incoming summer merchandise.

Special Suit Values

- Suits worth up to \$10 — on sale this week at 5.00
- All our \$12.50 and \$15 suits — to clear at 7.50
- \$17.50 and \$19.50 suits — special this week 12.50
- The balance of our suits, all newest styles and the popular materials, including moire, taffeta and poplin — values up to \$42 — on sale at 19.50

Coat Prices Cut

- \$7.50 coats — children's and misses' sizes — special 5.00
- \$10 and \$12.50 coats of eponge, fine crepe, checks and mixtures — all colors — for this week 7.50
- Coats of moire, brocaded poplins, eponge, crepes, etc., \$15 and \$17.50 values on sale at 10.00



Children's Dresses

- Ginghams and chambrays — sizes 6 to 14 years — \$1.25 values. These are 98c
- Dresses like above — sizes 2 to 6 — for this week 50c

Ladies' Waists

- \$1 values, made in all the newest spring styles of crepes, rice cloth, voiles, etc. — special for this week 79c

Other Specials in Our Waist Dept

We haven't gone into details concerning our specials — they will speak for themselves to those who visit this store any time this week.

The Parisian

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In Perfect Summer Underwear. The kind that will please the most particular. Garments that we can recommend for the best of satisfaction. Look here for your next suit of underwear. You will never be disappointed in the least. We are selling more underwear than ever before, which stands to prove that you not only get the right quality but also the lowest price.

The Fair
118 East Main

about the house. Death was due to the infirmities of old age. Mrs. Dora is survived by five children, Mrs. C. W. McCollough of this city; Mrs. Lillie Vincent of Dodge City, Kan.; Mrs. G. L. McCollough and E. L. Dora of Lakin, Kan.; Ernest of Warren township.

Funeral services, conducted by Rev. DeWitt White of Derby, were held at the family home yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, after which the remains were interred in the Charlton cemetery. Mrs. Dora was highly regarded by all who knew her, and her demise will be mourned by a host of friends, who will extend sincere sympathy to the sorrowing relatives.

E. O. S. CONDUCTS HATCHER FUNERAL

Charlton, April 27.—The funeral services of Mrs. M. A. Hatcher, who died last Friday noon, were held yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock at the home of her son, Roy Hatcher, conducted by Superintendent A. A. Thompson, of the M. E. church, under the auspices of the Eastern Star order, after which interment took place in the Charlton cemetery. The floral tributes were profuse and beautiful and bore testimony to the high regard in which deceased was held.

JAY HINTON'S NAME ON TICKET ANYWAY

Albia, April 27.—Jay Hinton who is running for state representative on the republican ticket received word from the state auditor that his nomination papers which failed to get in on time were found, so Mr. Hinton's name will be on the ticket.

JUDGE CALDWELL VISITS AT SELMA

Selma, April 27.—Judge Caldwell was a Selma visitor last week. Judge Caldwell's father is buried in the Avery cemetery near Selma and the judge came here to engage some one to have charge of the grave and keep the grounds in order.

CO. H COMPLIES WITH REGIMENT ORDERS

Charlton, April 27.—W. W. Bulman, captain of Company H, 55th regiment, I. N. G., on Saturday received orders to recruit the company up to the full mobilization strength. Only a few men are needed and it is thought that more than enough will enlist in a few days' time.

LUCAS CO. PIONEER PASSES AWAY

Charlton, April 27.—Mrs. B. F. Dora, one of the early pioneers of Lucas county, passed away at her home in Warren township on Saturday at the advanced age of 84 years, seven months and seven days. A few years ago she fell and broke her hip, but recovered enough to be able to walk