

How We Dump Valuable Soil Into the Sea

In the current issue of Farm and Fireside, the national farm paper published at Springfield, Ohio, a contributor writing under the title "Dumping Soil Into the Sea" tells how middle west farms lose eleven tons of earth a second. Following is an extract from what this writer reports:

"Eleven tons of soil is carried into the Gulf of Mexico every second by the Mississippi river from its immense drainage district. This material amounts to 346 million tons every year, and is equal to the surface soil, 6 2-3 inches deep of 346,000 acres."

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JEFFERSON CO. OLD SETTLERS SEPT. 30

DATE OF ANNUAL MEETING ADVANCED ONE WEEK; "BIG TIME" PROMISED.

Fairfield, Aug. 30.—The annual meeting of the Jefferson County Old Settlers' association will be held in Fairfield on Thursday, Sept. 30, instead of October 7, the date first announced. The prospects of an early fall and winter were responsible in a large measure for the change in date. Committees for the celebration have been announced, as follows:

Finance—Frank S. West, H. C. Asten and R. W. Lamson.

Advertising—J. E. Ireland, H. P. Thorne, R. G. Walker, Dean Taylor, Ray Baker.

Amusements—Dr. Chester Fordyce, R. B. Gobble, F. M. Raible, H. F. Pumphrey and Charles Lewis.

Parade—O. E. Kirby, C. E. Anderson, Charles H. Gage, J. J. Nelson.

Privileges—Walker, Bann, R. P. Thoma, Ernest P. Bailey.

Preliminary arrangements are well under way and the various committees have organized and are working together in a manner which indicates that a big time will be had.

Just what the special feature of this event will be has not yet been made public. It is very probable, however, that no more buffalo can be secured for the barbecue than no barbecue will be attempted. The various parades that made such a hit last year may be arranged for again.

country. After they had driven some distance out of town the horse became frightened at an automobile driven by Elston, who approached on a cross road. The animal turned and ran several rods, and then the buggy overturned. Mrs. Fischer was caught beneath it. She was internally injured and died within a few hours.

THIRTEEN ENJOINED

Sioux City, Aug. 30.—Judge W. G. Sears of the district court today granted temporary injunctions under the newly enacted Iowa "red light" law against 13 defendants who sought recently to knock out the law by demurring attacking its constitutionality. The \$300 tax against each establishment will be imposed in case permanent injunctions are granted when the cases come up for hearing at the September term of court. Payment probably will be deferred pending appeal to the supreme court.

MANY PAY TRIBUTE TO THOS. D. FOSTER

REPRESENTATIVE GATHERING OF CITIZENS ATTEND MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR MAN.

SPEAKERS EULOGIZE.

Friends and Fellow Citizens of Late Ottumwan Speak Feelingly of Their Associations With Him.

Race, color or creed counted for naught at the memorial service held Sunday afternoon at the First Methodist church for the late Thomas D. Foster, who died at his home here on July 20. Representatives from every part of the great state of which he was so many years the head, fellow associates around the directors' table of the Young Men's Christian association, business men, professional men and personal friends of the family gathered to have a part in what will probably be the last public utterance of the good qualities which Ottumwa's greatest representative citizen possessed.

J. Royce Brown, general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. opened the service by reading a selection from the sixth chapter of the gospel according to St. Matthew beginning, "No man can serve two masters, etc." which he stated was Mr. Foster's favorite verse of the scriptures. Dr. John H. Cudlipp, pastor of the church said the prayer and the men's chorus sang, "Still, Still With Thee." John Mahon was the first speaker and he dwelt more especially upon the forcible factor that Mr. Foster's life became for the young men of this community. He defined the three outstanding points of his life as masterly, militant and joyous. In speaking of the valuation placed upon a human life by the fellow citizens of a man, he said that that value which comes after death is placed because of what is learned from the life and that then it counts for more than when being lived; what it accomplishes then being done so directly that it is not really appreciated until after the grim reaper has called. He defined Mr. Foster as being a man who had an infinite understanding of the tasks before him, who possessed the spirit of militant Christianity which gave him the persuasive power to use in getting others to live Christian lives and at the same time the strength to stand immovable upon questions which he believed involved the right and wrong of a subject.

Spillman Tells Experiences. Major T. P. Spillman related some of his personal experiences with Mr. Foster in a business and in other ways since he first entered his employ thirty-five years ago last May. The speaker said that often they differed but he felt that through those differences he came to know Mr. Foster better and to know him better, was to like him better. He related numerous incidents in which the head of the great packing plant had accomplished deeds of personal charity among his employes. He said that he believed the late citizen of Ottumwa was a most misunderstood man. Many people believed him to be bitter and vindictive but he only stood tremendously strong for the things which he believed were right and with all his power against those which he thought were wrong, according to Major Spillman's version of the man's life. The speaker went on to emphasize that in spite of this he was always able to make it an impersonal fight. "I consider it one of the greatest privileges of my life," said the speaker, "that I was permitted to know Mr. Foster. His heart's highest motive was duty and he was delighted when he could give himself to service. His life was just checkbook of service for the people and the good of the community."

Roberts Discusses Life. M. A. Roberts summarized Mr. Foster's greatest accomplishment as being the wonderful development of his soul power. "That is what counts," said the speaker. "It is true many did not agree with Mr. Foster in everything he did but no one can deny that he was a great power in this community. If ever there was a time it is now that we want our fellows to see good in us. Civilization has put all on a

common level an dthen seeks to uplift the whole. Every man of worthy motives seeks to develop himself to be of service to his fellows but the development of soul power is what really counts. That is what settles questions which come up to affect the community and Mr. Foster had that trait admirably developed in his character.

McNett Knew Him Well. William McNett, associated for many years in a business way with Mr. Foster, spoke feelingly of his friendship with him. "Several times," said Mr. McNett, "I was connected with Mr. Foster in a legal way and in that connection I found him to be exceedingly generous and tolerant of other's opinions except when a question of right or wrong was being debated; then he was immovable, but as he told me many times, he was prepared to make any sacrifice for what was right and if the Lord was willing that he should be misunderstood, then he stood ready to be misunderstood. The finest life of Mr. Foster, after all, was his religious life, his religious belief was as simple as a child's in its mother. Another interesting phase was the power to fully understand. It gave him new power, the power of ability to face the problems of life. He was courteous, agreeably so even to the end. I was with him a few days before he passed out into the other life. I told him goodbye. But it was not a final one, only a farewell. This might be called a second farewell but to those who believe they know that some day we shall see him again. This community has hardly realized what it has lost by Mr. Foster's passing. He hardly had time for social life. His life was made up of love to be some place where he could do some good or say some good."

CHARITON

Mr. John H. Tibbles returned Thursday evening from an extended visit with relatives in Atchison, Kansas, and will spend some time here with her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Williby.

Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Everett, of Palestine, Texas, are visiting in Chariton with his mother, Mrs. John Everett and with her sister, Mrs. Clarence Miller, and other relatives.

Mr. Arthur Evans of Mitchell South Dakota has been spending a few days in this city with her brother-in-law, A. A. Evans and wife.

Miss Laura Swift returned Thursday evening from a visit of nine weeks with relatives in Tyrone.

Glady's, Maudie and Tommie Primm, of Kennesaw, Neb. visited in Chariton this week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Primm.

Mrs. C. S. Naylor and little son Burl, left yesterday for a visit in Burlington with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Millage of Kansas township returned yesterday from a few days' business trip to southeastern Kansas.

Mrs. Amos Hixson and daughter, Nora, of Cedar township, returned home yesterday from a two months' visit with relatives in Nebraska and South Dakota.

Miss Ethel Snuggs of Lucas visited in Chariton yesterday with her brother, J. W. Snuggs and family enroute home from a visit in Tuskegee with her aunt, Mrs. J. B. Prusko, who formerly resided here. Her little niece, Gladys Snuggs, accompanied her.

Miss Mildred Stinson returned last week from a visit with relatives in Nebraska and yesterday went to Lincoln, Neb. to spend a week with Miss Cleo Terhune.

Miss Marjorie Vail returned Thursday evening from a visit of several days with relatives in Garden Grove.

Dave Clark of Benton township enjoyed a visit this week with his parents Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Malone, and from his sister, Mrs. F. D. Sullivan, all of Benton township.

Investigation of Wire Proves Fatal. Numa, Aug. 30.—William Sands, of Martinstown, near Numa, did some investigating at first hand at Streepy, and as a result is in the hospital with a broken leg and badly burned from electric current. He with several others were trying their skill at pole climbing, and chose one of the new transmission poles for the experiment. It was a good climber all right and when he reached the top grasped the wire carrying 13,000 volts of electricity to show them that he really was at the top. But he didn't stay there long. He was picked up with a broken leg and a badly burned back and body from the electric current. He was taken to the hospital and is in a rather serious condition, though it is expected that he will recover.

FRUITLAND WILL FIGHT REMOVAL

LITTLE TOWN NEAR MUSCATINE OBJECTS TO HAVING ITS POSTOFFICE TAKEN AWAY.

Muscataine, Aug. 30.—Fruitland will not sit idly by and see its postoffice taken from it.

If the rural routes which serve the Muscatine Island must be reorganized by an "economical" democratic administration of the postal department, Fruitland and three-fourths of the postal patrons of the Muscatine Island have another plan than that proposed by the government.

When some time ago Fruitland learned that the government planned to abolish the Fruitland postoffice and reorganize the various rural routes serving the Muscatine Island territory, substituting an auto route for Fruitland route one and Muscatine route seven and part of another Muscatine route, the island people immediately began an agitation which resulted in the circulation of a petition addressed to the postal department at Washington.

The contents of this petition have now been revealed. Fruitland would prefer that matters remain in status quo, or as the diplomats say, "Falling this Fruitland asks that its postoffice be retained and that the auto route instead of running from Muscatine run from Fruitland. To make proper adjustment of the interests of all concerned it is proposed that a few of the patrons of route seven who would prefer to be served from Muscatine be transferred to the present route six when the change is made.

In Memoriam

John Baker Park was born in Van Buren county, Iowa, Oct. 22, 1850 and died at his home near place of birth August 28, 1915, aged 64 years, 10 months and 6 days, having been a resident of Iowa all of his life, except about seven years which were spent in Kansas.

On February 17, 1875 he was united in marriage to Jennie N. McGill of Van Buren county, Iowa. To this union five children were born, three boys and two girls.

A wife, five children and two grand children are left to mourn his departure, all of whom were present at the time of his death. The children are all grown to manhood and womanhood and are: G. C. Park of Anadarko, Okla., Mrs. C. O. Williams of Libertyville, Mrs. J. D. Ditts of Des Moines, E. O. Park of Batavia and Elmer, who resides at home. He also leaves six half brothers; W. P. Park of Port Arthur, Texas; Perry Park of Montana; Alvin Stamm of Nampa, Idaho; George and Harry Stamm of Colorado and L. E. Stamm of Des Moines.

The deceased united with the Methodist Episcopal church in early manhood and was a consistent member of that body until the time of his death. He was a true Christian and was respected by all who knew him.

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 in the Mt. Moriah church near his old home, in charge of his pastor, W. C. Sandmeyer of Coumery-Leando. The burial was in the cemetery adjoining the church. A very large crowd of his old friends and neighbors was present, not all being able to get in the church. The M. E. choir of Douids had charge of the singing.—Contributed.

CHAUTAQUA IS MOST SUCCESSFUL ONE

Bloomfield, Aug. 30.—Davis county closed one of the most successful chautauquas it has held in the eleven years of its existence. The attendance has been good. The finances are more than enough to pay expenses and the association will have quite a surplus left over for repairs and improving the grounds. Sunday afternoon had the largest attendance of any of the sessions. The association hopes in the near future to complete raising the balance of the stock to pay out for the beautiful park which they have purchased and which is called Weaver park.

Threshermen, I am not going to the Iowa State Fair this year and I will be here to fill your needs in thresher supplies of all kinds. If you need anything in thresher or corn binder or ensilage cutter repairs, let me have your order.

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SWEDISH PEOPLE HOLD CONFERENCE

Dayton, Aug. 30.—Following the introductory session the Western Swedish conference of the M. E. church was organized, Bishop W. O. Shepherd presiding, with the appointment of O. L. Stromberg, secretary, Nels Pearson, statistical secretary, and Edwin Bahlin treasurer. The district superintendents and the active elders reported from their different fields of work, showing a successful year in their district, churches built, and rebuilding, and a good increase in membership during the year.

Bishop Shepherd presided over the service of the holy communion, and the conference committees were appointed. Rev. Carl Eklund of Denver conducted an impressive evangelistic meeting in the afternoon. In the evening, a missionary service was held, addressed by Miss Winnie Gabrielson, a missionary to Africa, Rev. A. W. Carlson and Rev. H. J. Shuttles.

An informal session was held in the afternoon, at which was discussed a movement to organize a Swedish Conference Claimants' society for all the six Swedish conferences in America. The movement found favor, and it is likely to be adopted.

MAN STRICKEN WITH APOPLEXY IN CAR

Conroy, Aug. 30.—Presence of mind in the face of death no doubt saved the lives of Mrs. Englebert, a prominent stock buyer of Conroy, and Mrs. Englebert, or prevented their serious injury early this morning. In their automobile they had started for a tour in Minnesota, and when a short distance south of Fairfax, Mr. Englebert became suddenly aware that something was sadly amiss. He explained several hours later that he thought his car was skidding and shutting off the power, asked Mrs. Englebert to alight and ascertain what was wrong. No sooner had she left the car than Mr. Englebert collapsed from what she thought a fatal stroke of apoplexy. Alone on the road, with no house near, and near prostration from alarm and grief, Mrs. Englebert could only wait for chance assistance. It came in the persons of two strangers who towed the car with its stricken driver to Fairfax. Mr. Englebert was carried into the home of E. H. Kniekerbocker and medical aid was summoned. It is believed that he will recover.

HEIRS BREAK WILL

Iowa City, Aug. 30.—The will of John and Anna Vitosh, jointly made, was broken here in Judge Howell's court, when their son and daughters, Michael and Mesdames Kate Vizeal and Mary Prybil, attacked it. They alleged that the sole legatee, Anna D. Vitosh, a daughter, had illegally secured its making, thereby getting possession of all the real and personal property of her parents to the exclusion of the other children. The legatee now asks that the case be reopened on technical grounds.

FARMINGTON

Mrs. W. H. Traynor and Mrs. Bertie have gone to Chicago on a business trip.

Mrs. W. A. Nelson and daughter Edith returned home Thursday from a visit with friends at Milton.

Misses Cora Stevens and Dorothy Hartwick left Thursday for Des Moines to attend the state fair.

Mrs. D. A. Hunt of Logan who has been visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Kirkpatrick returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Knapp, Miss Sarah Duty and Mrs. Myra Haaster motored to Monroe Monday and spent the day with Rev. and Mrs. Geo. Dady.

Mrs. R. W. Stansbury has returned from a visit with relatives at Warren.

Miss Hattie Cartmell who is taking a course in nurse training in the Burlington hospital, spent Friday at her home in this place.

Stanton Knott of Richmond, Ind., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Knott of Farmington and Miss Ethel Staley of Chehalis, Wash., were married Sunday evening at the home of the groom, Rev. D. W. Phillips of the Congregational church was the officiating clergyman. Mr. Knott is a most estimable young man and has chosen as his bride a girl of charming personality. They left on Tuesday for their home at Richmond, Ind.

TRANSFER MAN IS VICTIM.

Muscataine, Aug. 30.—Ed Clifford, a transfer man, was badly hurt, when a falling ice chest, which was unloading from a Rock Island freight car, pinned him against the car. His collar bone was fractured and he will be crippled for weeks.

PEOPLE FAVORING PRIVATE OWNERS

MASS MEETING OF CITIZENS AT FT. MADISON TAKES ACTION UPON WATER WORKS.

Fort Madison, Aug. 30.—At the mass meeting of citizens here a resolution was adopted favoring the granting of water works franchise to private owners, other than the present company.

The report of the committee which has been investigating local water conditions was read. It stated that an expenditure of over a quarter of a million dollars was necessary to put the local plant in shape to amply supply the city with usable water. The report was approved by State Hygiene Engineer Lafayette Higgins, who was present at the meeting.

A representative of a Chicago bonding house was present at the meeting and he offered to guarantee funds for the contemplated plant, and further to agree to a franchise providing for vesting the title of the plant in the city at the end of twenty-five years, or sooner if the sinking fund disposes of the bonds.

Engineer Higgins is remaining for work in connection with the present condition of the water, which is unsatisfactory in the extreme. Samples of water are being taken from the river here at intervals of 400 feet for analysis; the local water plant uses river water to supply the city. He is also examining the sewage system at the prison. Last year the prison was compelled by the state board of health to abandon its sewer emptying near the city water intake.

VAN WERT PASTOR GOES TO HIGH COURT

Des Moines, Aug. 30.—A case from Clarke county in which a minister is suing for damages on account of the death of his wife has been appealed to the Iowa supreme court and the abstracts of evidence are now on file with the clerk of the court.

Suit was brought by G. R. Fischer against B. F. Elston on the ground that he was responsible for the death of Mrs. Fischer.

Mr. Fischer is the pastor of a church near Van Wert. On June 14, 1913, he borrowed a buggy and took his wife to visit some church members in the

Bringing Up Father

By George McManus

