

An Essay On the Duck

A duck is a low, heavy-set bird, composed mostly of meat and feathers. He is a mighty poor singer, having a hoarse voice, caused by getting so many frogs in his throat. He likes the water and carries a toy balloon in his stomach to keep from sinking. The duck has only two legs and they are so far back on his running gears by nature that they come pretty near missing his body. Some ducks, when they get big, have curls on their tails and are called drakes. Drakes don't have to set or hatch, but just loaf and go swimming and eat everything in sight. If I was a duck, I would rather be a drake.

The minimum charge for Want Ads is only 15c.

Female Help Wanted

WANTED AT ONCE—EXPERIENCED girl for general housework. Address M-8-B care Courier.

Wanted

WANTED TO BUY—ONE SECOND hand two hole power corn sheller. E. D. McReynolds, Agency.

WANTED—YOUR OLD CARPETS to make into rug, beautiful and durable rugs from old carpet at reasonable prices. Write for descriptive catalogue. Bloomfield Rug Works, Bloomfield, Iowa.

For Sale

FOR SALE—CHEAP—2ND HAND repairs and accessories for cars, also leather upholstered porch swings. E. Sigel, 512 E. Main St.

FOR SALE—LUMBER FROM TWO sheds, about 1,500 feet. Call red 224 evenings 11:30 to 1:31 during day.

WARM WEATHER DUE NEXT WEEK

Washington, D. C., May 6.—The weather bureau's forecast for the week beginning May 7 shows: "During the coming week temperatures above the seasonal average are indicated for the middle plains states and the great central valleys. Moderate temperatures are probable in New York, the New England states and the region of the great lakes.

An extensive area of low pressure that now covers the northwestern states and the western Canadian provinces will advance slowly eastward, reaching the middle west by the middle of the week and the eastern states the latter part of the week. It will cause unsettled weather and local showers during the next several days in the region of the great lakes and the extreme upper Mississippi valley. By the middle of the week local showers and thunderstorms are probable over the great central valleys and the plains states. The weather will be generally fair the first half of the week throughout the southern states and the great central valleys."

AID IN CHICAGO.
Chicago, May 6.—It was announced today that the Chicago Chamber of Commerce will provide each of 100 Chicago high school boys who are to get two weeks of army life at Culver Military academy, Culver, Ind., with \$12, including uniforms, to help the boys defray their expenses. The association will also pay all the expense of eleven boys to be selected by the faculties of the high schools.

CREDITS BILL ADVANCED.
Washington, D. C., May 6.—The house rules committee today presented a special rule for immediate consideration of the Glass rural credits bill, establishing a chain of land mortgage banks. The bill will have the right of way over everything except the army increase bill.

DOUDS-LEANDRO.

Mrs. A. L. Doud spent a few days last week at the home of her sister Mrs. A. F. Gardner near Bentonport.
Miss Keo Vance of Keosauqua spent Sunday at the Josh Holcomb home.
Mrs. Ernest Baer of Ottumwa is visiting at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walker.
Mrs. Carl Mart was an Ottumwa shopper Saturday.
Mrs. J. W. Morrow and Mrs. Hattie Eisensohn went to Ottumwa Wednesday.
Mrs. Logan Hanshaw and children of Eldon spent Sunday at the Walter Pollock home.
Mrs. Asa Fellows was an Ottumwa shopper Monday.

BEAUTY CHATS

Sing—And Be Beautiful

I ADVOCATE SINGING as a beauty exercise for several good reasons—for one, because the needed practice develops the throat, the chest and bust, and even the upper arms. Have you ever seen a professional singer whose chest and shoulders were not beautiful?

The regular deep inhalations of breath, their enforced holding, the frequency of deep breathing, of course, are responsible for this. Besides, this breathing strengthens the throat, making you less liable to throat trouble, though of course making it necessary to guard against any colds or chills.

For another reason—a good singing voice almost always means a charming speaking voice. You cannot take singing lessons very long and keep a sharp or a nasal tone. As you learn to use your voice, it becomes rich and flexible—you can give emphasis to your words and your remarks by the very tones and variations of tones that you will unconsciously use.

No one ever heard of a good singer going into consumption—unless it was brought about by some peculiar combination of circumstances. A singer must have well-developed lungs—that's why. A singer must have a good digestion, hence she will have a clear skin, and a good color.

Learn to sing! If you have not the time for regular lessons, try to sing as you go about the house, whenever you can. Never sing in shrill tones—this rasps the voice. Keep your tones as low as you can. Listen to them, and try to improve them. Get a book on breathing and learn how to breathe properly while you sing.

This, too, will react on you, and by making you more charming will make you more beautiful.

Questions and Answers
If Miss D. B. will send an addressed, stamped envelope, I shall be glad to send



Singing makes the mouth firm and strengthens the throat. It fills out the shoulders and the bust as well.

Reply—Her case is not unusual. The only thing that I would suggest would be to rub into the scalp a little red vasoline or some coconut oil. If the hair is very dry, otherwise, I would do nothing but keep a perfectly clean scalp for her and let her play outdoors without a hat, except when the sun is very hot.

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ENDEAVORERS TO GO TO FT. MADISON

RIVER CITY GETS 1917 CONVENTION; CLOYD BURNS ELECTED DISTRICT TREASURER.

The tenth district Christian Endeavorers of Iowa closed their three days' convention in Ottumwa Sunday evening at the Davis Street Christian church. Ft. Madison was selected as the convention city for 1917.

Rev. Ora Carrell of Oskaloosa gave a splendid address. The Passion for Serving Jesus Christ, as the closing number of the program. Miss Louisa Van Dyke played a piano solo, a mixed quartet from the Davis Street church and the choir from the East End church sang.

Sunday afternoon there were several numbers given with the principal address by B. O. Worrell of Ottumwa, who discussed the work of being a hero and a worker, comparing the being with the seeming of this trait. All of the addresses were out short on account of the hot weather.

Elect Officers.
Saturday evening, after the praise service had been opened by Miss Grace Findlay and the devotionals handled by Doyle Bozman of Morning Sun, the following officers were installed by Miss Mary McPherrin, state field secretary:
President—Mrs. Clyde Coffin, Pleasant Plain.
Vice president—Miss Margaret Messenger, Kossuth.
Secretary—Miss Bertha Okell, Morning Sun.
Treasurer—Cloyd Burns, Ottumwa.
Junior superintendent—Miss Katherine Fulton, Ft. Madison.

After a solo by George Duffield and announcements by Rev. Isaac Bussing the main address of the evening was given by Rev. Ora Carrell of Penn col-

lege, Oskaloosa, on The Three Calls. Three Are Present.

The speaker said that there were three present day calls to young people, the call of human need, the call of the Christian church and the call of the ages, that of Jesus Christ.

The call of the church for service, the crying need to help others and the wonderful opportunities which are brought to every one these days through the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., Sunday school, Associated Charities and Christian Endeavor societies were discussed.

Resolutions Offered.
The resolutions committee offered the following and it was adopted by the convention:
We beg leave to submit the following report:
We desire to divide our report into two sections.

We wish to express our thanks: First, to the Almighty Father for His manifold goodness to us as individuals, as societies and our district during the past year.

Second, to the Ottumwa union for their labor of love in providing for the welfare of the convention.

Third, to the people of Ottumwa for opening their homes for entertainment of our delegates.

Fourth, to the newspapers for opening their columns in giving our convention publicity.

Fifth, to our district officers for their faithful and efficient labor in behalf of our societies and our district union.

The second section of our report will be in the nature of an outline for the work of our district union for the coming year.

We recommend:
1. That our district officers promote a series of rallies in individual societies or groups of societies throughout the district. We suggest that the series of rallies be held this coming fall.
2. That the district officers investigate the advisability of a district paper.
3. In view of the fact that the submission of the proposed amendment for prohibition in Iowa must pass the next state legislature, we recommend that all candidates for election to our

state legislature at the election next fall be carefully considered by the Christian Endeavorers of the tenth district and supported or opposed according to their attitude in the matter. This a copy of these resolutions be furnished each of the Ottumwa papers.

Signed,
Doyle Bozman,
Rev. J. A. Burns,
Margaret Messenger,
Carroll Gives Talk.

"I invite you to think with me upon a great theme. As the basis of our thought, we will take an incident in the lives of the early apostles. The incident is given to us in the Book of Acts, in the fifth chapter. But I would have us think especially of the forty-first and forty-second verses:

"They therefore departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name. And every day, in the temple and at home, they ceased not to teach and to preach Jesus as the Christ."
"The theme which I bring for our consideration is this: 'A Passion for Serving Christ.' You will recall that the words of our text were written of the early apostles in the midst of severe persecution. But, that we may appreciate the full significance of these words, we shall need to refresh our memories with the setting of the incident.

The apostles had been busily engaged in an active ministry of healing and preaching among the people. Many signs and wonders were wrought by their hands. Crowds of people from the cities near Jerusalem came bringing their sick folk and them that were vexed with unclean spirits, and they were healed every one. As we read of these mighty acts it seems that we are walking with Jesus in Galilee and beholding his gracious ministry among men. But, as in the days of Christ, the high priest and his Sadducean party were filled with bitter jealousy because of these things. Jealousy and enraged, and to put an end to this kind of work, they laid hands on the apostles and cast them into the public prison. However, the high priest and his party were not able to accomplish their ends so easily for during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought out the apostles, saying, 'Go, and stand in the temple, telling the people all about this life.' Delivered and commissioned by divine authority the apostles went into the temple at the break of day and began to teach.

"In the meantime, the high priest and his party met, called the Sanhedrin, the chief council, together and sent to the prison for the apostles. Upon coming to the prison, the attendants were amazed to find it empty. They hurried back with the tidings. 'The prison house we found shut in all safety and the keepers standing at the doors; but when we had opened we found no man within.' These startling words filled the commander of the temple and the high priest with the utmost surprise and they did not know what to do. While they were puzzling over it, someone came and reported to them that the very men they had cast into prison were now standing in the temple, teaching the people. 'Immediately the commander with his attendants went out and brought the apostles back before the council. In a rage the high priest asked them saying, 'We strictly charged you not to teach in this name; and behold you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching.' In reply, came this calm, fearless answer of Peter and the apostles: 'We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised up Jesus whom ye slew, hanging him on a tree. Him did God exalt to be a prince and a saviour, to give repentance to Israel and remission of sins. And we are witnesses of these things; and so is the Holy Spirit whom God hath given to them that obey him.'

"When their enemies heard these words they were so furious that they were determined to kill the apostles. But one of their number, a Pharisee in the Sanhedrin, Gamaliel by name, a doctor of the law, who was highly respected by all the people, arose and ordered the prisoners to be removed for a few minutes.

"Then in calm, sane words, he cautioned them saying, 'Ye men of Israel, take heed to yourselves as touching these men, what ye are about to do.' He then went on to cite two other instances when certain teachers had appeared among the people and had drawn many followers after them. These teachers proved to be false and their work was overthrown. Using these familiar incidents, he advised the enraged party as follows, 'Refrain from these men, and let them alone; for if this work be of men, it will be overthrown; but if it is of God, ye will not be able to overthrow them, lest haply ye be found even to be fighting against God.'

"The calm words of Gamaliel quiet-

Better look over your binder, mower, rake and loader now and get repairs before harvest. Want binder canvases, a binder or mower tongue? I have them. Bring your old canvas or tongue with you. Repairs for everything.

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Make a point to be here one of the three days—Thursday, Friday or Saturday, May 11, 12, 13.

Hagberg & Peterson

124 East Main Street

Morris Williams HORSE MARKET

WAR HORSES WANTED THIS WEEK.

Ed Grant tells me to announce that he will be here Friday for all the French horses he can buy, both riders and gun horses, 5 to 15 years old, 15 to 16 hands. Will also have buyer for English gunners. Same requirements except a better grade of horse. Also for Italian 4 year olds, good boned, rugged colts. The trade is good. Will need every horse we can get. I have on hand for retail an extra choice team of seal brown draft mares 5 and 6 years old. Also a nicely matched team of black geldings and a lot of work horses. This stock may be seen any day this week.

Have a number of 4 year old mares I would exchange for horses 6 to 10 years old. The sort I can use for war trade.

This should be a good exchange for both parties.

MORRIS WILLIAMS.

FARMINGTON.

Mrs. M. E. Collins and daughter Myra of Palouse, Wash., arrived Friday evening for an extended visit with her aunt Mrs. William Goodin and other relatives.

Mrs. W. H. Knott has gone to Clinton to visit her husband who is working there.

Mrs. M. G. Hilpert and little daughter of Harrisburg, Pa., arrived Monday for a two weeks' visit at the home of her mother Mrs. E. Fichtenmueller.

Miss Helen Sawyer, a nurse in a Keokuk hospital is visiting at the home of her father F. R. Sawyers and family.

Mrs. H. E. Folker pleasantly entertained a company of friends at rock Monday evening. Miss Helen Sawyer of Keokuk was an out of town guest. Refreshments were served.

The annual junior-senior banquet held Friday in the M. E. church basement which was appropriately decorated in the junior and senior colors. A three course dinner was served.

The senior class play "The Kingdom of Hearts Content" will be given Saturday evening May 20 at the Miller opera house. There are sixteen members of this year's graduating class; Judith Browning, Neva Biedman, Ernest French, Anna Hecker, Paul Hawk, Verna Bretstein, Naomi Williams, Gustie Zane, Roy Sowers, Blanch Luckell, Ollie Zane, Francis Wilson, Earl Sowers, Helen DeKloe and Leslie Simmons and Vera Steinmeyer.

Mrs. Albert Willets and Mrs. Sallie Masmar left Saturday for Clarinda where they will visit the former's daughter Mrs. Henry Radofer and the latter's son Edgar Masmar and family.

TO LOCATE COLLEGE.

Des Moines, May 8.—A meeting of the general committee to determine location of the new university to be located by the National Baptist church in the middle west will be held in Des Moines May 20.

BRINGING UP FATHER

BY GEORGE McMANUS

