

Semi-WEEKLY COURIER

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Mrs. Sarah Jenkins of Quincy, Ill. has returned after spending several weeks with her aunt Mrs. Emily J. Kelley, 1120 North Court street. Mrs. Kelley, who was severely injured by a fall some time ago, has recovered sufficiently to be removed to the home of her son A. M. Kelsey, north of Ottumwa.

HUGHES ON LAST CAMPAIGN TOUR

(Continued From Page 1.)

"If we do not protect our own, what mockery it is to talk about the opportunities for American enterprise throughout the world. How can we use these opportunities if our American engineers, merchants, clerks, salesmen, and bookkeepers, representing American interests abroad, are to be left without adequate protection in countries of frequent revolutions or unstable government? We are told by one of the ablest apologists for the administration that it has abandoned our historic policy of full protection to American citizens abroad. This is his candid interpretation of the administration's words but of its record. By what authority has our policy been changed? It is a change that has broken a specific pledge to the country. It is a change of policy which ought to mean a change in administration."

Attacks Low Tariff

Mr. Hughes attacked the Underwood tariff, saying that after it went into effect the cost of living went up and the opportunity for making a living went down. If we are to safeguard American prosperity when the war ends, he asserted, we must apply the principle of protection to American industry.

"We want protection not for the sake of protection; not for the mere sake of producing wealth; we want protection primarily to serve as a basis for the American scale of wages and to promote and maintain the American standard of living," declared Mr. Hughes.

"Young America if intelligent and thoughtful cannot look with complacency upon low administrative standards," concluded Mr. Hughes. "We cannot but wonder how the burden of taxation which those now young will be called upon to bear in middle life if we do not give closer consideration to the improvement of our governmental methods. Some day we must demand a more business like administration of the great activities of the federal government, with fewer places for incompetence and less 'pork'."

"We must conserve our material resources and our human resources. I am in deep sympathy with protection of our children from being drawn too early into industrial struggles."

"I want to see young America trained, educated, physically strong and mentally keen with every opportunity for the development of their aptitude. Young America has the key to the future. What kind of a country does young America want?"

ON HOME STRETCH. Hartford, Conn., Oct. 26.—Charles E. Hughes went into what he termed "the home stretch of the campaign" with the opening speech here today of his last trip before election day. The nominee, in a theater, spoke before an audience composed partly of workers in munitions plants nearby.

"This is no time for complacency," he said. "This is no time for political talk about prosperity. It is a time for thought. When the men now in the trenches of Europe are withdrawn, to follow the pursuits of peace, the abnormal stimulus of the war will be withdrawn and the men in this country now engaged in satisfying the demands of Europe at war will no longer have that demand to satisfy."

"It is a new time we will have to meet, a disciplined, organized Europe and we should meet it with a new United States. And you can no more run this country in the coming years on the tariff principle of our opponents than you can fly to the moon."

Mr. Hughes alluded also to the Adamson bill. "I deplore every effort to arouse class antagonism in this country," he said. "There is no hope for an America embittered by class antagonism. You can engulf us in the most serious social disturbances that way. It only requires thoughtlessness and the application of force instead of following the rule of reason."

BINKS TELLS OF CAMP LIFE

FORMER COURIER CORRESPONDENT WRITES MEMBER OF STAFF ABOUT BROWNSVILLE.

Another breezy letter telling of camp life among the boys of Brownsville has been received by a member of the editorial staff of The Courier. Inspection and maneuvers are described interestingly in the letter which follows: Brownsville, Tex., Oct. 21, 1916. Dear Friend: Saturday morning, and the company just finished the weekly inspection. Every Saturday we are required to stand an inspection of equipment and personal clothing. Everything must be in good condition and clean.

On Wednesday we made a forced march of four miles in fifty-five minutes and ten seconds, with the complete field equipment. The field equipment will weigh close to sixty pounds. We were considered by the umpires to be in good condition at the end of the march. The officers made an inspection of our equipment to make sure we were fully equipped and ready for battle. After the inspection we deployed into a line of skirmishers and worked out a military problem. In the afternoon we were inspected in squad drills, field message work and first aid. Our company received a good marking on the day's work.

One of the largest military maneuvers ever attempted in the Rio Grande valley was worked out on Thursday morning. The National Guard declared war on the regulars and fought a great battle on the historic battlefield of Resaca de la Palma. There were close to 12,000 soldiers in the "battle" including both regulars and guardsmen stationed along the border. The "battle" lasted about six hours—we ate dinner near the firing line during a lull of the great maneuvers. We returned to camp about 4:30 o'clock tired and hungry, but happy. It was the end of two days' hard work.

A windstorm from the gulf visited camp on Thursday evening. It did not damage anything in camp, but left the night cool and clear. The thermometer dropped to 53—this is considered pretty cool weather for Texas.

Corp. Harry Blizzard is known as "Oswald."

Sergt. Pledler is reported to have fought in a number of battles, in his sleep.

Privates Woodrow, Hudson, Hudgens, Kelly and Loudyshell are going to try out for the regimental football team. There is an unlimited amount of material to pick a team from and this regiment should have an excellent team.

A large number of the men are high school graduates and have already had some very good experience.

Early this morning Private Dial, thinking it time for reveille awakened Corp. Gilken who in turn woke the rest of the squad. The entire squad dressed in a little time, put on their equipment and very soon were on line for roll call, but no one to call the roll. It was just four-thirty—the squad members claim it was a dirty trick. We agree with them, for we are sure having fine nights to sleep.

The New York cavalry passed through Brownsville about 3 o'clock this afternoon enroute to Point Isabel. They will make camp on the Virginia Hill grounds this afternoon and camp here for one week. A number of the state troops have visited the point and report a grand time.

Sergeants McMaster and Johnson sing a little camp song which can't be beat—the top sergeant and the big one are always happy.

Private Tragord proved his ability as a baker the other day by the doughnuts we ate for dinner. They were tasted like more.

Will close for this time. "Adios" Sergt. Phil Binks.

JOHN A. WHITE DIES NEAR CHARITON

Chariton, Oct. 25.—John A. White, one of Lucas county's most prominent and best known citizens, passed away at his home in English township yesterday morning, October 24, 1916, after an illness of several weeks with stomach trouble and a complication of diseases. His recovery was expected until uremic poisoning developed last Friday. He is survived by his wife and by three sons and three daughters, Roy and Guy, of Oakland, Calif.; Mrs. Elva Riggs, of Lacona; and Mrs. Grace Patterson, Thomas B. and Mrs. Hazel Baker, all of English township. Mr. White was for several years a member of the board of supervisors of this county. His demise will be deplored by a host of friends, who will extend sincere sympathy to the sorrowing relatives. The time of holding the funeral services has not been determined at this time, the arrival of a son from California being awaited.

THE M'MAINS SATURDAY WEDDING SATURDAY

Bloomfield, Oct. 25.—The marriage of Miss Mabel McMain and Mr. Donald Murry Rowe will take place Saturday, October 28, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. McMains. Mr. Rowe is assistant cashier of the Milton National bank, a son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Rowe of Bloomfield.

OKOBOJI TRAIL IS BEING MAPPED OUT

Carroll, Oct. 26.—The Okoboji Trail association, the purpose of which is to construct a graveled highway from Des Moines to Lake Okoboji and Spirit lake, was organized at a meeting here attended by representatives from practically all of the counties which the trail will cross.

COE'S HOME COMING. Cedar Rapids, Oct. 25.—The special edition of the Coe college News announces the fourth annual home coming to be held Friday and Saturday, Oct. 27 and 28. The program begins Friday with home coming chapel. There will be speeches by the old grads and college songs by the students. In the evening a mass meeting is announced when the various "pep doctors" will give the final injection of pep before the Grinnell game which takes place on Saturday at 3:15 p. m.

GETTING READY FOR HALLOWE'EN



Halloween time draws nigh and little Johnny or Joe or Willie, as the case may be, is not going to be caught unprepared. Like as not he has hidden away material for a jack-o'-lantern and is working away tirelessly in some sequestered spot.

ELDON

Mrs. Jacob Baayen was a visitor in Pella this week with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Baker and Mrs. W. A. Flowers have returned from an extended stay in Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Miss Edith Vass is a visitor in Mt. Pleasant and Burlington this week.

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Sheriff Giltner of Ottumwa was in the city on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Elmer Finny has returned from a few days' visit in Muscatine.

Miss Josephine Sheffer will be hostess to the Kensington club Thursday afternoon at her home.

Tom Reed and William Kelly of Ottumwa were in the city Tuesday.

Miss Murray of Ottumwa has been a week-end visitor at the Charles S. Troit home.

LEACH TO PAY 60 PER CENT OF AWARDS

Bloomfield, Oct. 26.—Secretary H. C. Leach of the Davis County Fair association received a draft from the state to pay 60 per cent of the premium awards at the September meet, the amount being \$629.53. This is 50 per cent more than has been paid in former years. The receipts and disbursements this year have been completely set forth in a statement prepared by Secretary Leach, on file now in his office. The finances are in a very satisfactory condition, a balance on hand of \$435.84 and no obligations outstanding. This year the receipts were sufficient to clear up all debts including a note of several years standing and leave a working balance for the next year. The annual meeting of the stockholders will be held about the first of the year.

AT LEAST ONE IS TO LOSE HIS BEARD

Waterloo, Oct. 25.—Annihilation of at least one beard is assured the day after election.

George V. Fowler, wholesale grocer, and W. F. Fritz, grocer at Waverly, were dinner guests of C. H. Bingham. Both men have worn beards for years.

Fowler is a staunch democrat and Fritz is an ardent republican.

The upshot of the claim of victory made by each was a wager that if Wilson is elected Fritz will sacrifice his beard. If Hughes wins Fowler will go to the barber for a similar amputation.

And so the barber wins, whoever loses.

JOHNSON COUNTY WANTING AN AGENT

Iowa City, Oct. 25.—The question of a county farm agent for Johnson county was discussed at the court house at a meeting of the Johnson County Taxpayers' league and received enthusiastic attention, but no action on the matter was taken. Murl McDonald of the state college at Ames, assistant leader in the county agent work for Iowa, was present and made an address on the subject. The plan for a county agent has already been discussed and ratified by several county organizations.

TO HAVE SCOUT BAND

Creston, Oct. 25.—Creston will have a Boy Scout military band if the plans under way succeed. Twenty have already enlisted in the band. The scout master is Rev. O. D. McClung of the Baptist church.

Obituary

Bates E. Woolums. Bates E. Woolums, 14 years old and only son of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Woolums of Cantril, died at 11 o'clock this morning in the Ottumwa hospital. He is survived by his parents.

The body was taken to Cantril this afternoon and the funeral will be held from the Mt. Olive Methodist church there Saturday. Interment will take place in Cantril cemetery.

Joseph Thomas Baker. Joseph Thomas Baker, 66 years old, died at the Ottumwa hospital at 6 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Baker was preceded in death by his first wife Harriet on February 26, 1912. In April 1914 he married Mrs. Sarah Eason who, with six children, four sisters and one brother survive. The children are Mrs. Harry Nolan of Seattle, Wash.; Mrs. J. H. Schamp of Galesburg; Mrs. Mary Bartlett and Frank Baker of Detroit, Mich.; and Mrs. T. A. Newville and W. C. Baker of Ottumwa.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock from the residence 245 South Davis street. Interment will take place in Ottumwa cemetery.

Mrs. Catherine Riley. The funeral of Mrs. Catherine Riley was held from the Sacred Heart church this morning at 9 o'clock conducted by Rev. James Foley. Interment took place in Calvary cemetery.

Mrs. Jane Lewis. Mrs. Jane Lewis, wife of Evan J. Lewis, died at 6 o'clock this morning at the family home, 112 Fairview avenue. She was 47 years old and is survived by her husband and three children, David J. Lewis, Mrs. Mary Wells and Miss Hannah Lewis, all of Ottumwa.

The funeral services will be held on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence with Rev. Thomas Berger of the West End Presbyterian church in charge. Interment will take place in Ottumwa cemetery.

Charles W. Schaefer. Charles W. Schaefer, sixty years old, died at 3:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon at St. Joseph's hospital. He is survived by his widow, four sons and a brother Eugene Schaefer.

The body was taken to Blakesburg, the family home, this morning and the funeral will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence. Rev. C. E. Ridinger of the Baptist church there will officiate. Interment will be in the Blakesburg cemetery.

BIG DAY AT WESLEYAN

Mt. Pleasant, Oct. 25.—Thursday, at Iowa Wesleyan college, will be observed as Founder's day. This is expected to be a great day for Wesleyan and a large attendance is expected at the college at 9:50 a. m. for the chapel service. The seniors will appear for the first time in their caps and gowns. Dr. P. J. Maveety of St. Louis will preach the sermon. In the afternoon Penn college will play Wesleyan and a hard game is looked for by the local team, but they have good courage and intend to win. Thursday evening an oratorical contest will hold and the winner will represent Iowa Wesleyan in the state oratorical contest. Those who will enter the contest are: Messrs. Newton, Moutz, C. Havingshorst, Riley, Doe, Vernor Davidson and Edgar Carlson.

THIEVES TAKE 600 FT. OF COPPER WIRE

Albia, Oct. 25.—The Southern Light and Railway Co. lost about six hundred feet or 300 pounds of copper wire last night when thieves cut the wire down on the interurban between here and Hocking just out of South Albia. Who the thieves were or what disposition has been made of the wire has not been ascertained. Sheriff Cal Guthrie was called on when the damage was found but nothing of consequence developed.

ADVANCE NOTES ON BIG REVIVAL

(By Floyd F. Miles.) "Tell the devil in Ottumwa we are after his hide."

Dr. Charles Reign Scoville gave this parting instruction to Floyd F. Miles, his publicity manager, who is in Ottumwa today arranging for the evangelistic campaign that will open here November 5.

Members of the Scoville party will have charge of the first service. Dr. Scoville will arrive from Coffeyville, Kas., the afternoon of November 7 and will preach his first sermon that evening. As it will be election night, election results will be furnished the audience.

Mr. Miles and Dr. Thomas Penn Ulom of the Scoville party, will call local ministers to a special meeting at the Y. M. C. A. this morning.

It was decided to hold two preparatory meetings, one on each side of the river, nightly, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday nights of next week. The north side meetings will be held at the First Methodist church and the south side meetings in the Davis Street Christian church.

Lon D. Parker, superintendent of personal work and assistant director of music of the Scoville party, will arrive early next week. He will have charge of one meeting each evening and Dr. Ulom will have charge of the other. A local musical director will assist Dr. Ulom and in all services the singers will be led through rehearsals of campaign songs.

Dr. Ulom will address a men's mass meeting at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening at the First Presbyterian church. Rev. I. S. Bussing says that 300 men from the south side will attend in a body. Rev. Mr. Bussing will also speak.

A telegram from Dr. Scoville today states that 114 responded to the invitation in the Coffeyville campaign last night, making a total of 1,747 in eleven days of invitation giving.

Mr. Miles will leave Ottumwa tonight and return to Coffeyville tomorrow night. Local ministers have requested that Mr. Parker be here Monday morning for the ministers' meeting. Dr. Scoville will advise the exact hour of Mr. Parker's arrival by telegram this afternoon, it is expected.

BUXTON HEN LAYS ODD SHAPED EGGS

A Buff Orpington hen owned by Mrs. Ella Cottrell of Buxton is fast making a record for itself by laying freak shaped eggs. The following letter received by The Courier from Mrs. Cottrell tells of the hen's strange performance:

Dear Editor: Ottumwa was my old home town I am taking the liberty to write you of my strange hen.

She is a Buff Orpington weighing 8 pounds and is two years old. She has laid quite a number of oddly shaped eggs including one that was ham shaped, one the shape of a pipe, one that resembled dumb bells and four measuring seven inches one way by eight inches the other and perfectly formed.

But it remained for her to eclipse all former performances a few days ago when she laid an egg that closely resembles a puffed adder and measuring twelve inches in length. A number of Buxton people saw the freak egg and Frank Baker of Detroit, Mich., and Mrs. T. A. Newville and W. C. Baker of Ottumwa.

The egg had both hen and egg photographed after she laid it.

If any Courier readers have a "bid-die" that can beat mine, I will be pleased to hear from them.

BIG DAMAGE SUIT IS STILL ON TRIAL

The \$50,000 damage suit which G. W. Chambers is waging against the Ottumwa Railway & Light Co. is still in progress this afternoon before Judge Martin J. Wade and a jury in the United States district court. The days ago when she laid an egg that closely resembles a puffed adder and measuring twelve inches in length. A number of Buxton people saw the freak egg and Frank Baker of Detroit, Mich., and Mrs. T. A. Newville and W. C. Baker of Ottumwa.

CHARGE CURTIS HAS DISOBEYED COURT

Willis Curtis has been cited to appear in district court here on October 30 and show why he has not been guilty of contempt of court. A few weeks ago Curtis wife secured an injunction from Judge C. W. Vermillion which restrained him from going about the premises upon which she was living. It is now alleged that he has violated this injunction and refused to obey the court's order.

CONTRACTOR STARTS ON CHESTER PAVING

Contractor J. C. Blunk has purchased a new concrete mixer and started to work on the Chester avenue paving. By his action the city council is satisfied, providing he continues his work without undue delay. This is expected to solve the difficulty and to be the end of the controversy over the delay in paving the street.

EASTERN STAR MEETING ENDS

Cedar Rapids, Oct. 26.—Iowa City today was awarded the 1917 convention of the Order of the Eastern Star, at the closing session of a two days' convention here. Davenport filed an application with the convention for the 1918 meeting. The following officers were elected at the morning session: Worthy grand matron—Mrs. Fannie B. Britt, Hamill.

Worthy grand patron—J. L. Records, Iowa City. Associate grand matron—Mrs. Anna Stilwell, Waukon.

WOMEN WELCOMED. Council Bluffs, Oct. 26.—A busy program lasting from noon to 2:30 p. m. was arranged for the Hughes women campaigners in Council Bluffs today. Their special train is to stop at Atlantic en route to Des Moines where meetings will be held tonight. A large reception committee was organized here.

Our Next OPENING

is Monday, October 30

Write, Phone or Call if you are interested in securing a good Business education.

Iowa Success School

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KING'S PARTY FINISHES EXPLORATION OF THE CAVE OF HUMAN SKULLS

The following story by James King continues the account of his adventures on the Santa Fe trail and tells of the discovery of a second cavern. Mr. King then speaks of the resumption of the march and of the sighting of a band of elk, three hundred and forty-seven in number. His story follows:

Brownlow and I concluded that we were satisfied with our sojourn in this cave of skulls and among the bones, perhaps of prehistoric people and were ready to be hauled to the surface. I was hauled up first and then the parson, and we were glad to find ourselves once more on solid footing. After a short breathing spell and pow woy, we concluded to retrace our steps to where we had entered the cave. When we reached Duane, who had the rope fastened around the boulder, he informed us that water was trickling near by and we could hear a steady drop, drop of water coming from somewhere. We began to explore further and soon found a small passage way beyond the boulder.

This passageway was big enough for the passing of one man only and I volunteered to make the trip and with a lariat secured about my waist, I started on my way with my trusty friends ready for any emergency. I had not proceeded far until the passage widened and the roof became higher and I could hear the water as it fell drop by drop from over head and soon discovered a small bowl like pool or receptacle, worn into the stone floor of the cave. At this point I could stand erect and passing the word back to the parson the other men, save Duane, were soon through the narrow passage and were standing together in an apparently huge gallery. We were anxious to know where the over flow water went that flowed from the small basin worn into the floor by the constant dripping from the roof.

There was a small stream running from the bowl in the floor and this I followed for some distance with the other men, bringing up the rear. We were in single file and about ten feet apart, and I soon came to a down ward incline and the floor became damp and slippery. Here I halted to observe the minute rivulet meander downward and disappear in the gloom.

This gallery had no moss covered sides nor roof as did the one in which we found the skulls. The question as to where we were was unanswerable. Were we in the cave of the forty robbers of Arabian Nights, or were we in the caverns of the once great Amahagor, presided over by Rider Haggard's Queen She, or would we by some mistake or move touch a secret spring that might release the huge boulder at the entrance and thereby block our exit and leave us to perish in the bowels of the earth and our bones to be found by some future traveler?

But the night was rapidly wearing away and as if by common consent, we

On our third day after leaving the camp of human bones we were traveling through a country dotted with many small earth domes upon which grew a heavy growth of cactus and bear grass and about mid day a cloud of dust appeared on the horizon to the southwest and appeared to be bearing down directly on our outfit. Nothing save dust could be seen through our glasses but soon the dust cloud swerved from its course and was swept away by a gentle breeze leaving in plain view about one-fourth of a mile distant, a herd of animals, the like of which we had not seen enroute thus far.

They were a fine drove of elk, but as we were not in need of wild meat, we refrain from doing any shooting. There was on magnificent beast that approached within easy gunshot and he remained standing on a small uplift and as he sniffed the air and pawed the earth he seemed to proclaim himself exalted ruler of this tribe and seemed to welcome us as new candidates for a good social time. I examined the grand animal through my glass and he was a fine specimen of the elk tribe. I handed Irish Mike the field glass and after surveying the animal for a brief moment, he returned the glass saying that it was the devil with horns on.

The noble animal viewed us for some time as we moved along and then with an apparently welcoming shake of his mighty antlers, he trotted back to join his clan. They fled across our bow, traveling toward the mountains and as they did so we counted them carefully and found three hundred and forty-seven as fine elk as ever we antlers.

In my next letter I think we will have good luck far from home.

HARDING GIVES SHORT TALK AT FAIRFIELD

Fairfield, Oct. 25.—One of the greatest compliments ever paid to a political candidate by the voters of Fairfield was paid to Lieut. Gov. W. L. Harding Wednesday afternoon when without practically any notice a crowd of several hundred voters assembled on the streets to hear him.

Only a short time before Burlington passenger train No. 9 pulled into Fairfield B. C. Leggett, secretary of the republican central committee, was notified that Mr. Harding was coming through Fairfield and would change cars here for Washington with about forty-five minutes to spare in the city. At first it was thought impossible to gather a crowd on that short notice and the telephones were called into service and a few of the leading republicans were apprised of his visit and invited to meet him. The news spread rapidly and when the train arrived a large number of old soldiers and prominent men were at the depot eager to see Mr. Harding. He was taken to Attorney Leggett's office which soon filled and the halls were crowded so it was suggested that those assembled go to the street where all could have a chance to see and hear the lieutenant governor, which was hurriedly done.

Mounting a drygoods box on the west side of the square, George W. Ball introduced Mr. Harding and while doing so the crowd was doubled by business men leaving their stores and places of business to hear the republican candidate. For almost half an hour Mr. Harding spoke and his remarks were to the point. From president down through the state and county tickets he told why the republican sentiment should prevail and several times was compelled to stop for an instant while the crowd cheered. He stated clearly his position on the

made our way to the narrow passageway through which we had passed as we entered in single file and as I had been first in, I was last going out feet foremost in order to meet any hot gobb that might appear face to face. When we arrived at the boulder we found Duane sound asleep and the skeleton had brought from the cave of skull still where he had left it was on my feet where we could see the light of the lantern glimmering in the distance like a twinkling star. When we arrived at the entrance we found several of the teamsters forming a rescuing party and they had a large amount of torches made from dry cedar, also some gravel and such other things as might be needed. Irish Mike was in charge of the party and we were all glad to reach the outer world once more.

We started for camp where we soot arrived and after chuekin up we went all soon in blankets bound for the land of dreams. We had plenty of wood and pure spring water but our food supply kept growing rapidly less, but so long a wild meat could be had there was no danger of starving. It appeared to me as if I had just closed my eyes when I was awakened and told I was time to be up and going. I was on my feet in a jiffy. The herd was coming in and the morning meal was ready and we were once more headed toward the setting sun. The weather was fine and good water was plentiful, but grazing was poor and we were compelled to conserve our mules' strength to the best advantage.

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SAUNDERS BURNS BURN TO GROUND

Bloomfield, Oct. 25.—The two big barns on the Millard Saunders farms southeast of Bloomfield incurred a big fire loss for both owner and for the man who rents the farm, Mr. Saunders' loss will probably be in the neighborhood of \$6,000 and Mr. Fenton's about \$3,500. Mr. Fenton lost practically all his farm machinery, tools besides twelve or fourteen hundred bushels of oats, fifty or sixty bushels of corn and some baled hay. The fire caught in the baled hay stored in the corn crib. Origin of the blaze unknown.

WELLS ARE DRY

Grinnell, Oct. 25.—Because practically all the wells in the northwest part of the city have gone dry, a special election will be held in Grinnell before November 15 on the question of issuance by the city of bonds amounting to \$10,000 to extend city water mains in this part of Grinnell.