

The American People Consumed

900,000,000 pounds of coffee last year. We sold a small portion of this—our share—and our customers have been satisfied because we handle the best grades to be had,

Chase & Sanborn's

It is always pure and fresh.

Seal brand Java and Mocha...	35c	Purina pancake flour, pck....	10c
Standard Java and Mocha...	35c	1 quart can syrup.....	10c
Perfection Blend per pound....	30c	1 package Tip Top oats.....	10c
South Sea Blend per pound...	25c	Carolina heap rice pound.....	5c
Blended Santos per pound...	20c	New Navy beans pound.....	5c
Fancy Rio per pound...	15c	Getty's laundry soap, bar.....	5c
Blaul's buck-wheat, pck....	10c	Velvet cocoa toilet soap, bar.....	5c
Falcon pancake flour, pck....	10c	Best Santa Clara prunes, pound..	8 ¹ / ₂ c

We Pay Cash for Produce.

J. A. CASTER.

Ben Hur only costs \$1.75. HARRY J. VOGT & Co. Misses' and children's shoes very cheap at Hurst's.

A son was born to Miss Bessie Martindale of this city Monday.

J. R. Bashaw has everything in the silverware and novelty line complete for holiday presents.

Detrick's restaurant is the popular place in Leon for warm meals and lunches. The best of everything to eat.

One hundred bushels cane seed for sale on Ross farm, seven miles north-west of Decatur. John T. Smith. 21-4t

The Little Squaw is the best five cent cigar sold in Leon. It is made by the Benefiel Cigar Co. and smokers say it's great.

Mrs. Lydia Osborn, one of the oldest residents of Leon, is lying very sick at the home of her son, Elwood Osborn, in this city.

I have a number of good farms in Northern Missouri to trade for Iowa land or merchandise. I. N. McDONOUGH, Leon, Ia. 20tf

A daughter was born on Tuesday night of last week to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bowman, of Des Moines, former well known residents of this city.

I am now ready to grind corn, corn meal and chop feed, either for cash or toll at my poultry house on east side of square. J. L. METIER. 14tf

We are selling out odd lines of shoes. If you can find your size and kind among them it means a saving of 75 cents to \$1.00 for you. Come and see them. Hurst Bros.

Under the auspices of the Leon Club, the Metropolitan Orchestra of Chicago, will give a concert at the K. P. hall this evening from 7:30 until 9 o'clock, a fine program being arranged. Admission 15 and 25 cents.

Rev. W. E. Jones, of Seymour, a former pastor in this city, who has been conducting a series of meetings at Decatur City, came to Leon Monday to administer the rite of baptism to Frank C. Springer at the Christian church.

C. M. Akes, O. E. Tullis and I. N. McDonough attended the big horse sale at Chariton last week, Mr. Akes having charge of the show ring. Tullis bought a span of fine mules, and McDonough bought eight head of horses at the sale.

D. H. Fulton has purchased the opera house barber shop from B. L. Gale and is again the owner of the shop. He will retain Frank Hampton in charge of one of the chairs. Mr. Fulton is a good barber and will no doubt get his share of the public's patronage.

WANTED—In each county local resident representatives to sell our high grade cigars to the trade on a new proposition; quality and prices defy competition. A salesman can easily make from \$200 to \$300 a month. Exclusive territory given; no capital needed; no pay for samples exacted. Apply with references to Geo. Samels & Co., 59-71 Dearborn St., Chicago, Ills. 22-4t

I offer for sale my residence property in Leon. PETER CRUKSHANK.

J. R. Bashaw's stock of fancy china lamps, etc., is very complete for the holidays.

Dr. Morris, the new dentist has opened office in Biggs' block opposite Dr. Foxworth's office.

Mrs. W. W. Warner entertained at a progressive euchre party Monday evening, the prizes being won by Miss Sada Penniwell and Mr. W. A. Brown.

Big shoe sale going on at Hurst's. All the odds and ends and broken sizes in their store are piled out and marked down to close them up. Pay you to go and look at them.

Lost—In Leon, a purse containing \$25.00, two ten dollar bills, one five dollar bill and three dollars in silver. A reward of \$10 will be paid for its return to THE REPORTER office.

If you want a farm sold or want a farm loan at lowest rate of interest and best terms go to E. J. Sankey, southeast corner Main and Commercial streets, Leon, Ia.

Having purchased the interest of Ira Wallace in the firm of Otten & Wallace. I must insist on a settlement of all book accounts. The books will be found at my shop and all payments should be made to me. HENRY OTTEN.

Mr. Eugene Massey, of Woodland, was in the city Monday and showed us quite a curiosity in the way of a teachers certificate issued to his mother, Mrs. Margaret Massey as a teacher in the state of Kentucky, which is dated Nov. 16, 1871.

When in Leon get your warm meals and hot and cold lunches at Detrick's restaurant. They have everything in season, cooked in the best style. Oysters served in all styles, and the finest line of confections, fruit, cigars and tobacco in the city.

If you enjoy a first-class musical concert attend the one given this evening at the K. P. hall by the Metropolitan orchestra of Chicago. Concert begins at 7:30 o'clock and closes at 9. The This orchestra will furnish music for dancing from 9 until 1.

Guy Pryor of this city who is attending the Iowa Business College at Des Moines writes his father that he is getting along nicely. He has recently been doing considerable work as an expert in examining books for Des Moines insurance companies in addition to his studies and his work is highly commended.

The Graham, Darrah & Hansell department store which now occupies the Finley store building, have one of the finest and best lighted rooms in the city. Since locating in this city this firm has done a phenomenal business, the credit for which in a large manner is due to Frank N. Hansell, the popular manager, who leaves nothing undone to satisfy their customers. Their business has increased until a larger room was absolutely necessary and in their new quarters they will be able to handle many lines of goods which they could not before on account of lack of room.

Ladies shoes marked down at Hurst's.

A bouncing boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Lyss Jenkins Sunday morning.

The Knights Templars will have work in the Black Cross to-morrow evening.

G. W. Jenree of this city has been granted an increase of his pension to \$12 per month.

Ben Hur. That is the new flour. Don't try it but use it.

HARRY J. VOGT & Co.

We have sleighs and bob sleds, sleigh bells, robes, blankets, fur coats and mittens. We sell them too.

BOWSER & BIDDISON.

Mrs. James W. Delk slipped and fell at her home five miles north of Leon yesterday, sustaining a bad fracture of her limb.

C. J. White of Center township has entered 3 head of his fine Hereford cattle for the big sale at the state fair grounds at Des Moines on Feb. 24, 25 and 26.

U. G. John will conduct another excursion to Stuttgart, Ark., February 3. It is important that those desiring to take this trip should call on or address him at once at Leon, Iowa. 23-1t

Among the broken line of shoes which are advertised this week are Selz and Kelly goods—the best of shoemaking. Every pair in the bunch is all solid and they are genuine bargains.

A good audience was greatly pleased at the opera house Tuesday evening when A "Breezy Time" was presented by a good company. The play abounded in specialties and was one of the best shows of the season.

Dr. J. H. Mingle, of the Kansas City, Veterinary College, has purchased the practice of Dr. Frank Goodson, who expects to move shortly to Mexico, Mo., where he has purchased a farm. Dr. Mingle comes highly recommended as a skilled veterinarian.

A man told us the other day that there were several men in Leon who were worse gossipers than any old woman. He named three or four of them and told us why he had come to this conclusion. Now, don't ask us who they are, for fear you might be one the reverend referred to.

One solid week of fun commencing Monday, Feb. 2nd, the city Dramatic and Comedy Co. The Steelsmiths opening in the great Comedy Drama; A Man of Mystery at the Opera House. Grand scenic effect on opening night. One lady will be admitted free when accompanied by one paid reserved ticket or two ladies on one ticket. Secure your tickets early at Van Werden's.

C. F. Fransham, senior member of our new lumber firm, was up from Ridgeway over Sunday, and while here completed arrangements for erecting several new lumber sheds. A fine new office will also be built on the corner which will be thoroughly up-to-date. C. F. Fransham & Son are here to stay and are making a heavy investment, their yard when completed will be one of the best in the state. They are very pleasant gentlemen to deal with and are enjoying a fine patronage.

Some time since Union county accepted from the C. B. & Q. railway about two miles of the old road bed near Afton to be used for a public highway. One of the conditions was that the county should pay the railroad \$15,000 if the grant was ever used for anything but a public road. This was to keep the county from granting an electric or other railroad from using it. When the board of supervisors began to inquire into the question they decided not to accept the offer. If the railroad abandons the right-of-way for eight years, said right-of-way reverts back to the owner of the land, as provided in section 2015.

There are a few men in this county who had best take a hike around a corner when they see Dr. Bailey coming their way. Dr. Bailey has been sufficiently provoked by these same men, and an act of great bodily injury might follow if he can catch them. In other words they have called him a liar, and he means to resent it. It so happened that Dr. Bailey left his office Monday morning, being called to the country. He did not get back until late in the afternoon, but when leaving hung out this sign, "Will be back at 10 o'clock. Leave your card." The first man who called was Dr. Camp. He left his card denoting the time at which he called, and added under the notice, "The biggest liar in town." About one o'clock A. I. Smith called on Dr. Bailey and leaving his card added "the biggest liar in the county." G. A. Reed was the next caller at 2 o'clock p. m. and he informed Dr. Bailey by note that he was the biggest liar in the state. When Alex Maxwell called and discovered that Dr. Bailey had not returned at 4 o'clock p. m. when he said he would be back at 10 a. m. a note was left declaring the genial doctor to be the "biggest liar in the United States." John Fry happened to be the next caller and left a note politely informing the doctor that he was the "biggest liar in the universe." There is sure to be something doing when Dr. Bailey dons his war paint.—Mt. Ary Record.

Try and get in to the shoe sale at Hurst's.

Splendid shoes for the children at very low prices at Hurst's.

Have you tried Ben Hur Flour. Buy it at Harry J. Vogt & Co's.

Deputy state oil inspector J. B. Currie had business in this city yesterday.

For Oklahoma really write or call on C. B. Jordan, Enid, O. T. formerly of Leon, Iowa.

J. R. Bashaw's stock of books of all kinds, juvenile, miscellaneous, bibles, etc., is complete.

FOR SALE—Two high grade, Short-Horn bulls for sale. CHARLES SHINN. 23tf

Gorgeous scenic effect at opera house all next week. Don't miss it. Secure your seats early at Van Werden's.

We offer all our Fur Robes at flat cost come now get a bargain. We have big bargains in fur coats and blankets. BOWSER & BIDDISON.

FOR SALE—One hundred thousand ft. native lumber. Will trade for good young stock of any kind. J. L. McCUTCHAX.

We publish this week on page one a complete list of the patrons on the rural routes running from the Leon postoffice, and our readers should cut out the list and preserve it, as it is a very handy directory.

Here's a chance to buy good shoes cheap. We are closing out the broken lines in our shoe stock. Means a cut of 75 cents to \$1.00 and more per pair. They are displayed on the north counters. Come and see them.

A. E. Ellis yesterday received from Ottumwa two fine Yorkshire young sows, which are bred and registered and he will endeavor to get this breed of hogs established among our hog raisers, as they are considered the best bacon hogs.

The date of F. H. Matthews sale of fine Poland-China sows at Van Wert, is Thursday, Feb. 5th, and stock raisers who are interested in breeding good hogs will do well to attend, as some choice young breeding stock will be sold.

Word received yesterday from Greer Springer who is at Mercy hospital, Des Moines, was that he was much worse, being very low, and all hope of his recovery has about been abandoned. He is so weak that the second operation was not performed.

All records at Van Werden's opera house were broken Saturday night at the Terry's Uncle Tom Cabin, there being over 600 persons in the hall, all the standing room being sold and Manager Van Werden had to turn away nearly 200 people who were unable to get into the hall.

There has been considerable talk the past week about the removal of the postoffice from the present location to the Jenkins building east of the Journal office, but Postmaster Ledgerwood has settled the matter by making a new lease of the present building, which seems to suit the general public.

I have for sale the following property: One large house and three lots; One large house and one lot; One small house and one lot; My residence and from five to twenty-five acres of land, just the thing for a fruit and poultry farm. F. C. MULLINIX, LEON, IOWA.

Elder John D. Bennett, of Lamoni, is billed to deliver a lecture at the opera house Saturday night on "The Existing Relationship of the Church and Lodge." The subject is presented in a new phase and is equally important to christian, professor and lodge worker. Mr. Bennett is a man of vast experience, a good talker and the lecture will no doubt prove interesting to those who attend.

The farmers used to be seen bringing their wheat to mill at Leon, but now you see them bringing in their harness to Bowsler & Biddison to have them dipped in pure Neatsfoot oil. Ed Clark and Frank Dodd from Garden Grove had in 4 set and went back the same day. Remember it costs you only \$1.00 per double set, cheaper than you can do it. Come now. BOWSER & BIDDISON.

The ladies of the P. E. O. society entertained their husbands and friends in delightful manner at their hall Tuesday evening, a fine musical and literary program being rendered, in honor of the anniversary of the society. The program opened with a piano solo by Miss Mary Gates, followed by a piano solo by Mr. Beryl Ellinwood. Mrs. G. B. Daugherty sang a beautiful soprano solo and Miss Henrietta Vogt gave a very amusing Dutch dialect reading. Miss Grace Morrill and Master Raymond Hurst rendered piano solos, and little William Brown sang a very pretty song. A comic farce by Mrs. Harry Vogt, Mrs. F. A. Bowman, Mrs. L. B. Jackson, Miss Sada Penniwell and Miss Nelle Ledgerwood completed the program. A delicious buffet luncheon was served and the balance of the evening was spent with a phonograph entertainment. The evening was greatly enjoyed by the large crowd which was present.

Women and children's shoes very cheap at Hurst's.

Another Successful Horse Sale.

The bad weather yesterday seemed to attract instead of detract from the attendance at Akes & Sigler's horse sale, an unusually large number of buyers being present not only from the surrounding country, but from neighboring towns and the big cities. About 100 head of horses passed through the ring, and D. A. McMains, the boss auctioneer, did not dwell on them but sent the sale through with a rush. Many of the horses sold were extra good ones and prices ranged high. Akes & Sigler are making a great success of their horse sales and the interest increases with each sale.

Letter from Aunt Jane Miller.

Dear Friends Mr. and Mrs. Craig and family and all the dear old friends there. Well I do like this country very much it is neither hot nor cold, but a fine, mild climate. We have not had but one little snow here and that did not stay all night, it came in the morning and went away in the afternoon. The ground has crusted over three nights but by noon it was all thawed out. I have five fine lots out here and think I will build next summer. Portland is making big arrangements for the exposition in 1905. Hope lots of our old Leon friends will come to see this lovely country, the green hills and mountains with their lovely snow peaks are fine. I get lonesome to see the old friends there but I never want to go back there to live. I like the climate out here so much. We have a very fine M. E. church here close to where we live. I like the people here very much and we have a fine preacher, a good Sunday School and League. We have splendid schools out here; we have street cars from here to Portland every half hour. It is about seven miles to Portland but we have city water here and telephones. We have one in the house we live in so we can talk to the boys when they are at work in town, as we call it, but there is town and ever-green patches all the way out here and away on the other side of us. Well if you can't read this scribbling just bring it out and I will tell you more than this. Regards to all my old friends, AUNT JANE MILLER. University Park, Oregon.

Knights Templars Banquet.

The members of Tripolis Commandery Knights Templars and their ladies enjoyed a magnificent banquet at Hotel Leon last Friday evening following the conferring of the Red Cross degree on a class composed of Judge R. L. Parrish, R. D. Martin, C. M. Ketcham J. A. Harris and I. N. Clark, of Leon, and H. A. Smith, of Maloy.

The ladies had gathered at the hotel parlors while the Knights were at the lodge room, and spent the time very pleasantly with music and games until they arrived. The banquet was served at 11 o'clock, and it was without question the finest banquet ever served in this city, Landlord Brown and his estimable wife being the recipients of many compliments for the excellent menu and the fine service on this occasion. Plates were laid for seventy guests, and the tables presented a beautiful sight decorated with carnations and ferns. The menu was not only elaborate but everything served was in correct form and the guests did full justice to the repast. The following was the

MENU.
Blue Points, Sliced Lemon.
Pickles, Olives, Celery
Roast Turkey with Dressing
Cold Botted Ham Pickled Ox Tongue
Waldorf Salad and Lettuce
Saratoga Potatoes
Fruit Ice Luncheon Rolls
Neapolitan Ice Cream
Maude S. and Pineapple Cake
Oranges Apples White Grapes
Tea Coffee
The out of town guests at the banquet were W. H. Sams, H. A. Smith, Maloy; Dr. J. B. Horner and wife, Lamoni, J. S. Shields and wife, Decatur, W. L. Severe and wife, J. N. Gates and wife, Carter Scott and wife, Clarence Frazier, Davis City; R. Shelden and wife, Kellerton.

Auction at Gates & Keller's Saturday afternoon and night.

When you want an enjoyable and fragrant smoke try a Little Squaw cigar.

To despair of man is to doubt God.

'Tisn't safe to be a day without Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil in the house. Never can tell what moment an accident is goin' to happen.

Public Sale Poland-China Brood Sows AT VAN WERT, IOWA.

Thursday, Feb. 5, '03

Sale to commence at 1 o'clock.

About 30 head of the big, growth, heavy boned kind, easy feeders. Safe in pig to Pridham by Nemo L's Dude. The great State Fair prize winner. The most of this offering is sired by the great breeding boar, Grand Western, a son of the State Fair prize winner, Standard Chief, that weighed 810 pounds as a yearling. A few are sired by a son of Chief Perfection 2d. Terms—Cash, or 9 months time on bankable paper, drawing 8 per cent interest from date. Send for catalogues to

F. H. MATTHEWS, COL. JOS. JONES, Auctioneer. R. F. D. 1, Leon, Iowa.

VANWERDEN OPERA HALL

The Steelsmiths

IN A FINE LINE OF NEW PLAYS

All Next Week

- "An Eastern Romance"
- "A Man of Mystery"
- "Old Uncle Jed"
- "A Missouri Boy"

Singing, Dancing and Vaudeville Features introduced nightly. Don't miss our popular matinee Saturday. Every possible attention shown the ladies and children.

Admission 15c, 25c and 35c.