

CORRESPONDENCE.

Kilgore.

J. O. Garner was a Leon caller Wednesday. John Barrett and family called at Mrs. R. E. Cozad's one day last week.

Morgan.

J. B. Robinson and wife were Pleasanton visitors Thursday. Geo. Moore and family and Mrs. R. E. Cozad visited at John Barrett's Sunday.

Center.

Aunt Susan Blair and Miss Edith Martin were out calling. William Martin had business at Fred Martin's.

Salem

There was quite a storm here Sunday evening. A few attended a surprise at Johnnie Moore's Saturday night, it being Miss Neva's birthday. A good time was reported.

R. F. D. No. 2.

Mrs. T. J. Griffin was a Leon caller one day last week. Miss Alice Flynn's gentleman friend from Keokuk is here visiting.

Terre Haute.

Well everybody is now invited to attend the celebration at Terre Haute or Decatur this year.

Pleasant Valley. No. 1.

We were visited by another big rain Sunday evening. Mrs. George Virden and son William were visiting at W. C. Campbell's and at W. A. Hill's Sunday.

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Davis City.

Wash Morgan and wife, of Akron, Mo., were visiting their children in our city last Wednesday. France Hamilton took his little son to Leon to consult Dr. Layton in regard to placing the child in a plaster Paris cast to straighten his back.

Garden Grove.

Miss Maud Burgess, of Kellerton, who has been visiting her brothers here, returned home last Thursday.

Battle Hill.

Rainy weather still continues. Grace and Neta McGahuey visited Saturday night and Sunday at the home of their uncle, Jim Odell.

Kansas Letter.

Stockton, Kan., July 1, 1907. EDITOR REPORTER:—As I haven't written for quite a while I thought it may be you Iowa people had forgotten us.

Tuskeego.

Rev. F. O. Spurrier filled his appointment Sunday at 11 a. m. Stella and Ora Trisler spent Sunday with their friends, Jessie and Marcia McNeill.

More Thorough.

Bobby had gone to Canada to visit his English aunt and was trying to be on his best behavior all the time, but at luncheon, when his aunt asked him if he would like some curried chicken, he was speechless with surprise.

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over Sunday visitor at Hugh Wiley's. C. R. Piercy and family spent Sunday at Wm. Piercy's.

Mrs. Wm. Piercy spent Thursday with Mrs. Bollinger. Rev. Mundie's appointment is next Sunday morning and evening.

Miss Eva Honn, of Davis City, came one day last week to visit her brothers, Will and Henry, who live here.

Mrs. J. D. Ridgeway, of Jefferson, Iowa, came last week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. Gillette.

Mrs. H. F. Strohl accompanied by her children went to Moravia last Friday to visit her mother, Mrs. Schriener.

J. R. Smith was in Kansas City last week on business returning Saturday.

Mrs. Vance Knapp and her mother, Mrs. A. Holland, went to Leon last Saturday to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rhoades, and returned home Monday.

Carroll Curry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jean Curry, went to Leon last Saturday to visit relatives.

Emma Stevens, of Chariton, came last Friday to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mason.

Mrs. John McCreary went to Chariton last Friday to meet her daughter, Rosa Manchester, who came home to spend vacation this summer.

Arthur and Wayne Gault, of Lamoni, who have been visiting their uncle, A. Anderson, of near Weldon, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Will Richards went to Newton Tuesday to visit with several relatives there.

Robt. McKee had the misfortune to have two fingers badly mangled last week in a feed grinder.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Chamberlin, of Des Moines were visiting at the G. W. Hoadley home last week and returned home Thursday.

C. D. Mallette narrowly escaped being killed last Thursday by a bull which attacked his horse, throwing he and the horse in the air, Mr. Mallette lighting in such a manner as to break his arm.

The bull did not offer to make the second attack and he and the horse escaped. The bull did not have horns or both would have been badly injured.

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MORTUARY.

Charles Henry Sipherd was born July 24, 1870, at Knoxville, Ill., and died June 20, 1907, aged 36 years, 10 months and 20 days.

He with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sipherd, moved to a farm near which is now Grand River in March 1872.

He spent his boyhood days and attended the common school at Grand River. In October, 1891, he went to Nebraska where he spent the greater part of five years farming and also attended college at Lincoln, Nebraska.

During the summer of 1897 he went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. In the spring of 1902 he returned to Grand River, and on March 5th of the same year was united in marriage to Miss Iowa M. Jennings, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Jennings now deceased. He and his bride returned to Pittsburgh, and from that time until his death made that city their home. He was in the employ of the Pittsburgh Street Railway Co. as superintendent of their workmen in the construction of bridges, and it was while performing his duty that he fell and received the injury that resulted in his death, dying thirty-two hours after the accident after suffering the most excruciating pain.

He was a devoted and successful farmer and was a member of the Grand River Grange. He was a member of the Grand River Grange. He was a member of the Grand River Grange.

He leaves a wife and little daughter, a mother, three sisters and three brothers besides a host of friends to mourn his departure.

Mrs. Mary A. Riddle was born near Rainsborough, Highland county, Ohio, December 13, 1858, and died at the Clarinda hospital, June 26, 1907, aged 48 years, 6 months and 13 days.

In 1871 she moved with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Curry, to Decatur county, where she has since resided.

On May 4, 1879, she was united in marriage to Thomas M. Riddle. To them were born four children; a son, Guy C. dying in infancy, and a daughter, Bertha V. at the age of 21 years.

The husband and two children survive, Mark J. and Hilda Merl.

Mrs. Riddle was well known for her kindness and uprightness of life and leaves a large number of friends. She united with the Methodist church in Ohio, when a child. She has endured great suffering. She was taken to the asylum at Mt. Pleasant in 1881, having lost her mind over the death of their first child, returning in about five months. Since about 1897 her health has been rapidly failing. She was taken to Clarinda in 1894, returning in about four months, improved mentally only. About the 20th of last April she was taken sick and grew weaker both in body and mind till the 5th day of June she was taken to Clarinda where she died three weeks later.

The funeral services were held at the home on Thursday forenoon, conducted by Elder E. O. Coontz, interment being in the Lentz cemetery in Woodland.

A Sweet Girl Dead. The following notice of the death of Esther Gertrude Warner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Warner, for many years residents of Leon, is taken from the Stockton, California, Daily Times of June 22:

Esther Gertrude Warner, the young daughter of Andrew J. and Ella G. Warner, died this morning at the family home at Fair Oaks.

Death came very suddenly, although she had been in delicate health for some time, the worst was not feared until a few days ago. Miss Esther recently recovered from an attack of malarial fever and went into the country for her health. Two weeks ago she returned. Last night she was seized with violent pains in her side. This morning at four o'clock a physician was summoned but the pains went to her heart. Death ensued about six o'clock.

The deceased was aged 14 years, 11 months and 11 days. She was a pupil in the seventh grade of the Fair Oaks school. Miss Esther was a very pretty girl and was loved by all who knew her. Her death has cast a deep gloom over her schoolmates.

Besides the grief stricken parents, a brother and four sisters survive her in the family. The funeral and interment will take place at 11 o'clock at East Union near Lathrop tomorrow.

Mrs. Elizabeth Watsabaugh. At her home in east Leon at midnight, July 1st, occurred the death of Mrs. Elizabeth Watsabaugh, one of the pioneers of this city, at the advanced age of 87 years. She had been in failing health for some months, her death being caused from complications arising from old age. The funeral will be held at the M. E. church Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, interment being in the Leon cemetery.

Twice-A-Week Republic. Three Years for One Dollar. Until June 30, 1907, the Twice-A-Week Republic, of St. Louis, Mo., the oldest and best known semi-weekly newspaper in the United States, will accept subscriptions at the remarkable rate of three years for \$1.00. At this price you cannot afford to be without this big semi-weekly newspaper.

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"Sir," said Dr. Johnson to a friend, commenting upon a widower who remarried, though his wedded life had been unhappy, "it is a triumph of hope over experience."

Weather-Crop Bulletin.

For week ending June 24, 1907.

The average daily temperature was about four degrees below the normal for the last week in June. The week began and ended with showers, varying in amount, but fairly well distributed over the state. The showers on the 24th caused local damage by wind, hail and lightning, in limited areas in the central and north central districts, but generally they were moderate and beneficial. In the larger part of the state there were four to five days of favorable weather, with conditions favorable for field work and growth of crops. Fair progress has been made in cleaning out the corn fields, which generally have received a second plowing. The belated and deficient in stand, the corn crop has made fair progress and shows a healthy color. Reports indicate that a beginning has been made in the clover harvest, and meadows are much improved. Small grain, pastures and garden truck are doing well.

The Sunbird.

Very curious are the nests of the sunbird, scarcely larger than a butterfly. It chooses some exposed spot, probably close to the public road, and proceeds to build on an overhanging twig. The finishing touches being put to the small abode, it is left, according to one authority, severely alone until spiders have woven their webs over and around it. Another naturalist says that the birds themselves turn ragmen and, collecting any rubbish they can find in the way of moss, faded leaves, ends of cotton and other such trifles, stick them on the outside of the nest by means of pieces of purloined webs. In either case the result is the same, and they make their future home a thoroughly disreputable object. Then, and not till then, does the little hen sunbird lay her two greenish white eggs, which she hatches under the shelter of a small porch which has been constructed over the nest, shielding her from sun and rain.

Banana Bread.

Bread made from banana flour is common enough in Europe and England. One pound is said to contain more nourishment and energy producing material than one pound of the finest beefsteak, is much more digestible and less than one-sixth the price. Sir Henry Stanley was a firm believer in the banana. He went so far as to advise that its consumption would cure rheumatism, gout and all liver affections. When lying at the point of death from gastritis a light gruel of banana flour mixed with milk was the only food he could retain and digest. The secret of the banana as a health and strength producing food lies in its high percentage of proteids and the great number of its calories, respectively 20 and 301.71. It is a perfectly balanced ration if sliced for breakfast and served with milk and sugar.—New York Press.

The Nose.

The nose is intended for breathing, the mouth for speaking and eating. Who has ever seen a horse breathing otherwise than through his nostrils? Minute scientific investigation has revealed the fact that the number of people who breathe through their nostrils are becoming gradually but surely fewer in number. The consequence is that the nostrils decrease in size, while it has been found that the prevailing nose is quite an inferior organ to that of our forefathers. It is a well known physiological fact that unused muscles and bones gradually disappear. Fish who live in the dark, for instance, or the mole, who resides underground, become blind. Thus if we cease to use our noses for breathing they will cease to exist. They will become superfluous!—Pearson's Weekly.

Mozart's Quick Work.

On one occasion Mozart was making merry with his friends at midnight when not a single note was written of the overture to "Don Giovanni," which was to be produced on the following evening. When he had said goodby to his friends he calmly went to bed and slept until 5 o'clock in the morning. Awakening refreshed, he set to work on the overture, dashing off sheet after sheet with incredible rapidity and dispatching them to the copyists. The opera was to begin at 7 in the evening, and a few minutes after that hour Mozart was in his place as conductor, baton in hand, while the parts with the ink still wet on some of them were being handed to the orchestra.

A Wonderful Island of Chalk.

The English island of Thanet, forming a part of the county of Kent, is almost wholly composed of chalk. The island is ten miles in length and about five in breadth and has more chalk exposed on its surface than has any other spot of equal area on the globe. British geologists say that there are not less than 42,000,000,000 tons of chalk "in sight" on Thanet and that it would take 10,000 men and 5,000 horses and carts 20,000 years to move it, providing it were dug up ready to be carted away.

A Peculiar Tree.

A singular maple tree on the left bank of the Oder, in Germany, is at least a century old and has been twisted and cut into a kind of circular house of two stories. A firm, leafy floor has been formed by causing the branches to become gradually woven together. Above this is a smaller second floor, similarly formed, and the ends of the branches have been woven into solid walls, in which eight windows on each story have been cut.