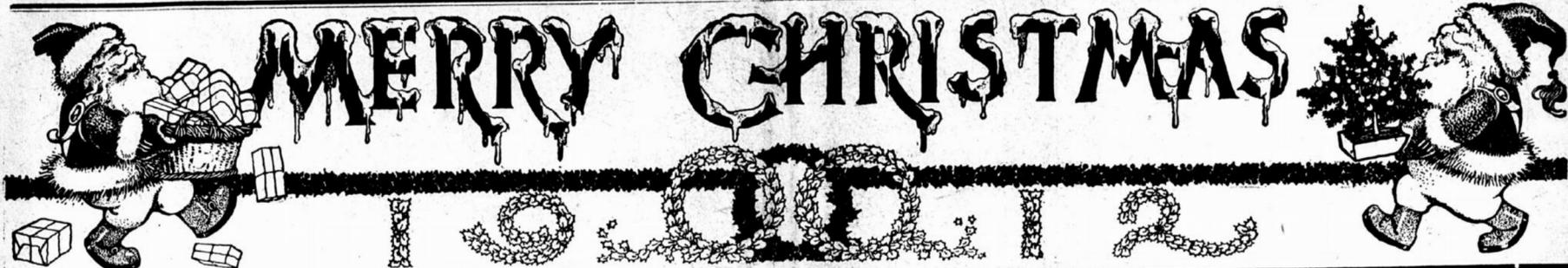


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ATTRACTING SHOPPERS

Attractive Stocks, Well Advertised, are Bringing Holiday Shoppers to Leon to do Their Buying.

This is the closing week for doing Christmas shopping and the enterprising merchants of Leon have been enjoying a phenomenal trade this year, which surpasses that of any previous years.

Special at the Idle Hour.

The popular Idle Hour theatre has secured a special big attraction for Thursday evening of this week, when they will show Selig's greatest masterpiece, "The Coming of Columbus."

Democratic Editors for Postmasters.

Most of the democratic editors who attended the Southern Iowa Editorial Association last week were open and avowed candidates for postoffices and other federal positions.

Marriage Licenses.

- Jasper E. Shields, Grand River. 29
Abbie Jones, Kellerton. 18
Earl Hayden, Lineville. 19
Anna Latta, Lineville. 18
Oliver B. Negley, Decatur. 21
Ethel Kier, Decatur. 18
Fred William Tenney, Decatur. 23
Leona Anna Vanauken, Decatur. 21
Harley Fitch, Davis City. 20
Julia May Horney, Leon. 19

Hayden-Latta.

Mr. Earl Hayden and Miss Anna Latta, both from near Lineville, were married by Justice A. R. Warford at his office in this city Monday.

"Christmas Gift! Saw Ye First!"



TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

Items Taken from the Files of The Reporter Published a Quarter of a Century Ago.

Mrs. E. W. Curry departed for Memphis, Tenn., to spend the holidays with her daughter, Grace, and to visit with relatives and friends in that city.

Eugene Hebener came home from Drake University at Des Moines in response to a telegram announcing the rapid decline of his sister, Miss Carrie Hebener, who was very low with tuberculosis.

Miss Edith Young is home from college for the holidays. She is one of "our girls" and while we welcome her bright face it makes us a little lonesome to think there is one of the "trundle-bed crowd" who is too far away to come home for Christmas.

S. W. Hurst left for a pleasure trip to California.

Ira Hamilton who had been in the west for several years was home for the holidays.

Mr. Millard F. Stookey and Miss Jessie Forey were married by Rev. Newell.

Will McCaull, one of the bright young men of Garden Grove, went to Des Moines to take a college course.

James Shaw, of DeKalb, was in Leon last week and assures us there is no doubt that he has struck a good vein of coal on his farm near DeKalb. It was found at a depth of 106 feet below the surface and it is thought to be about 44 inches in thickness.

The three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Lindsey died after a painful and lingering illness.

Charles Kelley, a son of Robert Kelley, of Eden township, being borne down with unrequited love, sought succor from sorrow by resorting to the festive revolver, shooting himself in the breast, but the injury was not fatal.

They had an exciting time down at Davis City, trying to capture some corn thieves.

For some time McCully & Sylvester had reason to believe that their corn crib in the slaughter yard north of town, was being visited nightly by parties to the proprietors unknown.

Ralph McGinnis One of the Greatest.

In last Sunday's Register and Leader was a resume of the career of the State University foot ball team of Iowa City, and the merits of the players were discussed.

Her Clothing Caught Fire.

Mrs. Henry Martindale, who lives in south Leon, had a very narrow escape from being burned to death one day last week.

Bought Good Cattle.

B. P. Miles, cattle buyer for John Morrell & Co., of Ottumwa, was here last week and picked up several car loads of extra good cattle, which he bought at top prices from C. M. Akes, E. Housh and Rue Stone.

Ripple Caused by Ledgerwood's Remark.

A ripple of interest was caused in the State Agricultural society meeting yesterday afternoon, says the Register and Leader of last Thursday, when John Ledgerwood, former Tenth district member of the board, moved that C. E. Cameron be elected president of the board for life.

Handling Much Poultry.

These are busy times down at the big poultry plant of the Clarinda Poultry, Butter & Egg Co. in this city, as they are dressing and shipping an immense amount of poultry for the holiday trade.

Went to Rochester, Minn. for Operation.

Mr. Joe McLain, of near Davis City, passed through Leon Tuesday afternoon on his way to Rochester, Minn., where he goes with the expectation of having an operation performed for cancer of the stomach.

To Our Canadian Readers.

The Reporter charges \$2.00 a year for the paper when sent to subscribers in Canada, being compelled to charge 50 cents extra on account of having to pay additional postage charged by the Canadian government for carrying to readers papers mailed in the United States.

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