

ESTABLISHED 1854.

LEON, IOWA, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1915.

VOLUME LXI, NO. 28.

BURGLAR OPENED SAFE

Northrup Bros.' Store at Garden Grove Robbed of \$600 Sunday Night. Blood Hounds Used.

The town of Garden Grove is enjoying somewhat of a sensation in regard to a mysterious burglary of the store of Northrup Bros. Sunday night, when a burglar entered the store, unlocked the safe and got away with about \$90 in cash and about \$500 in checks and drafts. The money and checks were placed in the money drawer of the safe and the safe locked when the proprietors left the store. Monday morning it was found that a burglar had gained entrance through a window in the basement of the store, had skillfully worked the combination of the safe and made his getaway without leaving any clue as to his identity. When the burglary was discovered Monday morning Sheriff Lorey was notified and was requested to get blood hounds and bring to Garden Grove, as it was thought the burglar could be tracked from the basement window and all persons were kept away from the rear of the store. Sheriff Lorey had some trouble in locating the dogs but finally secured three which were owned at Bigelow, Mo., and they reached Garden Grove on the night train Monday. First two of the dogs were worked together and they started off several times and came back to the store. It had been raining and snowing all day Monday which made it hard work for the dogs to carry the scent, but they finally started off on a trail and followed it straight to the residence of a well known citizen of Garden Grove. A second trial was made with the other dog and he likewise followed the trail after striking it strong some distance from the store on the main street. The party to whose house the dogs followed the trail claimed he had been down town to the picture show and of course his tracks would be found leading home after getting away from the tracks of other persons at the picture show. There have been no arrests made in connection with the burglary and no trace of the stolen money and checks found.

Walter H. Dewey Named for Charlton Postmaster.

Scenes have shifted, considerably the past week in the post office program and Walter Dewey is now master of the situation, this morning's papers containing the announcement that he was yesterday nominated for the position by President Wilson.

Until recently it has been confidently believed that W. W. Kridelbaugh would receive the appointment as he had the undoubted backing of the referees. The latter gummed the cards badly in the Leon affair and have brought odium on themselves through their efforts to have an alleged carthaginian republican female appointed to the best position in Decatur county. When brought to task for their actions the democratic state chairman, Dr. J. W. Reynolds, of Creston, said "I had to do it." It is claimed in Washington that Martin J. Wade, to whom the office of federal judge was conceded, has fallen by the wayside, that Connolly will lose out and that Nick Reed is in bad odor at the White House. In the wreck thus created through the friendship shown by the referees for one lone woman Walter Dewey rises triumphant to guide democracy of this district and county through the fog which now encompasses the party.—Charlton Herald-Patriot.

Doctors Met at Creston.

The Southwestern Iowa Medical Association held a meeting at Creston last Thursday which was attended by many prominent members of the profession. Dr. B. L. Elker, of Leon, delivered an address on "Public School Inspection," which was most favorably commented upon by the physicians in attendance. In addition to Dr. Elker, Dr. L. J. Landis, of Grand River, and Dr. C. L. Belding, of Van Wert, were in attendance at the meeting. In the evening was held the graduating exercises of the nurse's training school of Cottage hospital when a class of four young ladies received their diplomas. Dr. B. L. Elker, of Leon, delivered the address to the graduates in speaking of the commencement exercises says: Dr. B. L. Elker, of Leon, Iowa, was then presented and delivered the address to the members of the graduating class, his remarks being fully in keeping with the occasion, and the character of the life work now being entered upon by the graduates. This was a particularly able effort.

Some Protest.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 22.—Representative Kirkpatrick will see Postmaster General Burleson Tuesday and present protests against the appointment of Mrs. Caroline Young Smith as postmaster of Leon, Iowa. Kirkpatrick received a protest today from Leon signed by 800 persons. He received another, signed by most of the democratic members of the Iowa legislature. He will lay these before Burleson and talk to him about the situation. Kirkpatrick does not think the office will be permitted to go to Mrs. Smith. The appointment continues to be held up in the senate and apparently will be held until this session ends. After that it is doubtful whether a reapportionment is made, although Marshal Nick Reed and State Chairman Reynolds are vigorously defending the nomination.

Drew Jurors for March Court.

Clerk of the court E. E. Beck, auditor Walter Osborn and recorder Will Gardner drew the trial jurors Tuesday for the March term of the district court which convenes on Monday, March 22nd, with Judge Maxwell presiding. In place of the regular panel of 24 jurors there was a panel of 40 jurors drawn for the March term, as there will be a number of important cases tried at this term. It is said that the case of State vs. Earl Riley will again be tried at the coming term of court.

- The following is a list of the jurors drawn: John Frost, Eden. Noah Smith, Grand River. W. C. Collins, Fayette. J. E. Tesmer, Leroy. B. J. Gordon, High Point. Emmett Daughton, Grand River. William Fox, New Buda. A. N. Turnbull, Fayette. T. T. Hughes, Franklin. Allen Andrew, Grand River. Sam Ackerley, Richland. C. D. Smith, Garden Grove. Guy Morris, Eden. C. O. Vanderpool, Richland. I. P. Young, Fayette. G. W. Lasley, Fayette. C. R. McBroom, Leroy. W. C. Driskell, New Buda. Roy E. Haskins, Fayette. Reno Willis, Morgan. Glen Mitchell, Hamilton. A. E. Nulien, Leon. Frank Carter, Leon. R. L. Rumley, Decatur. R. L. Euritt, Decatur. L. B. Young, Morgan. William Baker, Eden. John Hembry, Grand River. C. S. Murdy, Franklin. S. L. Jordan, Garden Grove. Lew Pease, Leon. W. W. Wiley, Woodland. Roy Drury, Eden. Ross Merryman, Leon. A. L. Kean, Bloomington. Dale Ross, Leroy. Joe Johnson, Eden. A. J. Moulton, Fayette. J. B. Hollinger, Morgan. P. W. Mitchell, Hamilton.

Help Commercial Club Take Census of Leon.

The Leon Commercial Club will in the near future take a complete census of the city of Leon, and the data obtained in taking the census will be used in publishing a city directory, so that a double purpose will be accomplished by the members. Similar information to that required by the state census enumerator, assessor Tom Wallace, will be requested. The city has been divided into seventeen districts for the purpose of taking the census and a live wire member of the club will be in charge of each district that Leon makes a good showing in regard to population as shown by the state census this year, and every citizen of Leon is requested to lend the Commercial Club every possible assistance in making the census full and correct. A plan is also on foot to number all of the houses in Leon at the same time, so that every residence will be assigned an official number, and when this is done many property owners will place numbers on their houses. It is something which has been needed for a long time.

Will Hold Big Family Reunion in Leon.

There is going to be a big family reunion held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Monroe in this city Saturday, at which it is expected that all of his brothers and sisters will be present. Twenty years ago in January the eldest of the family of ten Monroe children became fifty years of age, and each time that another brother or sister has reached this age they have met at their home for a family reunion. E. G. Monroe, of this city, is the youngest of the ten brothers and sisters, who are all living, and on Saturday he will be fifty years old. His brothers and sisters many of them from far distant states are now on the road to Leon to assist in celebrating his birthday Saturday. A family of ten children, the youngest fifty years of age, is a remarkable record, seldom equaled. That the Monroe family will have an enjoyable time goes without saying.

Mary Pickford Coming Again.

Mary Pickford, the highest salaried movie actress in the world, is coming to the Idle Hour theatre again, next Monday, March 1st, when the play "Hearts Adrift" will be presented. This play gives this talented little actress ample opportunity to display her talent, and it is one of the strongest picture plays she has ever appeared in. In order that all may see this favorite there will be a special matinee Monday afternoon at 4:15. The evening shows start promptly at 7 o'clock, and run continuously until all have seen the play. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

Pansies in Bloom.

On Saturday of last week Mrs. R. J. Lambert discovered her pansy bed in bloom and picked half a dozen blooms. The open weather we have been having is no doubt responsible for these little flowers thinking it was spring. Nevertheless this is remarkable to be picking pansy blossoms in Iowa in February.—Lamoni Chronicle.

"Million Dollar Mystery" Tonight.

The seventh installment of the thrilling serial, "The Million Dollar Mystery," will be shown at the Idle Hour theatre this evening, the first show starting promptly at 7 o'clock. As the story progresses the interest increases and everybody is pleased with this great serial.

CLASS PLAY WAS GOOD

Class of '15 Presented the "Varsity Coach" Before a Big Audience Last Friday Evening.

Notwithstanding the very disagreeable weather there was a large audience present at the opera house last Friday evening to witness the first class play presented by the class of '15 of the Leon High School. On account of the large number in the graduating class this year, something over thirty, all the members could not take part in this play and a second play will be presented in a few weeks.

The "Varsity Coach" is a pleasing sketch, the star of the play being Edgar Rowell, who took the part of Robert Selby, assistant coach of the Varsity crew and general good fellow. He displayed splendid dramatic talent. He was ably supported by Miss Lola Brazelton, who took the part of Ruth Moore, a charming college girl, the sweetheart of Robert Selby. Others who appeared to good advantage in the cast were Nina Bowman as Mrs. Moore, a boarding-house keeper, Lela Easter, Robert's spinster aunt, Marguerite Daughton as Genevieve Allen, a typical college girl, Lulu Bright as Ethel Lynn, a pretty college girl, Dorothy Hull as Daisy Doane, a fashionable boarding school girl, Horry VanNostrand as Mousie Kent, a grind, Neal Qulett as Howard Dixon, Selby's room mate, Bryan Robbins as Dick Elsworth, member of the crew and Rollie Dale, his room mate. The cast was well balanced and the young folks all did themselves credit. The play was presented under the direction of Mrs. Marion E. Wasson, of Des Moines, who has had much experience in this work. The High School glee club, under the leadership of Bruce Townsend, made a hit, and there were a number of pleasing specialties between acts. "Little Bo-Peep," by Marion and Helen McIntosh, was something extra fine, and Misses Margaret McKivene, Gretchen Hull, Elma Forbes and Dorothy Hurst, and Messrs. Joe Keshlear, Florizel Kemp, Bruce Townsend and Mike Grogan appeared in a couple of songs and drills which were good. The proceeds of the entertainment amount to between \$95 and \$100 and the class will have a neat sum left after meeting the expenses, and have decided to purchase a typewriter for use in the High School with a part of the proceeds.

Attempted Suicide Near Cainsville.

Charles Thompson, a farmer about 42 years old, residing about five miles southeast of Cainsville, attempted to take his life by shooting himself with a shot gun at the home of a neighbor last Sunday morning, and although the charge entered his left side, tore out two ribs, and came out of his side leaving a hole two inches in diameter and four inches long, he is still alive, notwithstanding the predictions of physicians that he could not live but a few hours.

Mr. Thompson was despondent over the death of his wife about a year ago, and a short time ago his house was destroyed by fire. He brooded over his misfortune and wrote a note saying he could not stand it to see his children sent away and had decided to end his troubles, but insisted he was in his right mind. Sunday morning he went to the home of a neighbor, Mr. Banks, and borrowed his shot gun saying he wanted to shoot a rat out at the wood pile. The family heard a shot, but it was more than an hour after that they found Thompson lying on the ground behind the wood pile. Although he was still alive yesterday, it is doubtful if he recovers, for the wound is a frightful one.

Local Charities.

The ladies of Leon and Decatur county are invited to attend the next regular meeting of the Associated Charities next Monday at 2:30 p. m. at the library parlors.

Here is Ruskin's definition of a lady: "Lady means 'bread-giver' or 'loaf-giver'; and a lady has legal claim to her title only so far as she communicates that help to the poor representative of her Master, which women once, ministering to Him of their substance, were permitted to extend to that Master Himself; and when she is known, as He Himself once was, in breaking of bread." There is still a month or more of cold weather. If each will give of his or her means only a small amount it will help some less fortunate one to be more comfortable.

Something New.

A new shoemaker is in town. If you have any shoe repairs, rubber or leather, call at my shop, one-half block west of southwest corner of the square. Fully equipped with electric machinery. Good material and first-class workmanship guaranteed. A trial will convince you. M. Haines, proprietor. 27-44

Loans may be secured for any purpose on acceptable real estate security; liberal privileges; correspondence solicited. A. C. Agency Company, 758 Gas, Electric Bldg., Denver, Colo., 446 Pierce Bldg., St. Louis, Mo. 27-44

Marriage Licenses.

Walter Lovett, Pleasanton, 23 Ollie Carrington, Saline, Mo. 22 Otto L. Vaughn, Lineville, 20 Coral E. Curry, Lineville, 21

"Meet me at Chorrington's."

New Court Cases.

James Henderson vs. unknown heirs of Asa Prescott et al. Suit is brought to quiet title to real estate. C. W. Hoffman, attorney for plaintiff.

Maud E. Swinford vs. James W. Swinford. Plaintiff for the second time is suing for a divorce. The parties were divorced at Corning, Iowa, in 1909, and on June 22, 1913, were remarried at Des Moines and lived together until April 1, 1914, when she says she had to leave him or starve as he did not make a living for her and their children, and had become an habitual drunkard. In addition to a decree of divorce she asks for the custody of their three minor sons. S. H. Amos, attorney for plaintiff.

Stephen Varga vs. L. M. and M. E. Weldon. Suit is on a note for \$165.20, dated June 9, 1908. Francis Varga, attorney for plaintiff.

Ballew Lumber Co. vs. F. C. and Cora Mullinix. Suit is brought on a note for \$600 dated July 24, 1912, secured by a real estate mortgage. V. R. McGinnis, attorney for plaintiff.

J. B. DeBolt vs. German American Ins. Co. Plaintiff sues to recover \$2,000 for loss by fire of his stock of general merchandise at Tuskego on August 2, 1914, which was the amount of a policy written by the defendant, \$1,800 on the stock and \$200 on furniture and fixtures in the store. V. R. McGinnis, attorney for plaintiff.

Mrs. Charles Sanders.

Beessie May Sanders, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Delong, was born in Decatur county, Iowa, in 1876, and died at her home in Leon, Iowa, Feb. 19, 1915, at the age of 38 years. She was united in marriage to Charles Sanders in 1891, and to them were born two sons, Ira L., 22 years of age and Wm. H., 20 years of age. They also had an adopted daughter, Merl, these three children and her husband survive her.

Mrs. Sanders had been a patient sufferer from tuberculosis for about three years, and stood her suffering with great patience and fortitude. She was a noble little woman, and her last request was that her physician should hold an autopsy after her death to determine just what ailment had taken her life. Her family and others. She called for her folks her bedside Sunday morning about 7 o'clock, and bid them all good-bye, and a few minutes later passed peacefully away. Before her death she remarked that she was not afraid to cross over and that she was ready to go.

Funeral services were conducted at the home on Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Evangelist D. E. Boatright, interment being in the Leon cemetery.

The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved family.

Declamatory Contest.

On Friday evening, March 5th, representatives from twelve schools of southwest Iowa will meet in Leon for a declamatory contest. Medals will be awarded to the first and second winners in each of the three classes. The first in each class will be sent to Atlantic on March 26 to the district contest. The winners in the four districts of the state will meet at Belle Plaine on April 9 for the state contest. The twelve cities to be represented are as follows: Villisca, Afton, Bedford, Glenwood, Leon, Corning, Taylor, Greenfield, Osceola, Shenandoah, Malvern, Garden Grove.

The Parent-Teachers' Association is acting with the High School faculty to make the occasion one of the great events in our school life. The Parent-Teachers' Association will serve a supper. The visiting superintendents and contestants will be banqueted, but all others and as many of our citizens, as wish to, will be charged 25 cents for their supper. The proceeds will be used to finance some one of the undertakings of the Parent-Teachers' Association, probably to purchase dishes for the domestic science department.

Get Railway Mail Runs.

Phillip Bradford left Tuesday for Mason City, Iowa, where he will take a mail run from Mason City to Peoria, Illinois. Frank McDowell left Wednesday for Council Bluffs, Iowa, where he gets a mail run from Council Bluffs to Chicago, Illinois. Lamoni is well represented in the mail service. We now have ten of our young men working for Uncle Sam.—Lamoni Chronicle.

\$200 an Acre for Land.

Last Thursday there was an unimproved six acre tract of farm land down by Terre Haute, belonging to the estate of Mrs. Dennis Slaughter, which was sold by referee, W. A. Pough, for an even \$200 an acre, the purchaser being Chas. P. Shafer, who owns land adjoining it. Other parties bid up to \$150 an acre so Charley just boosted it to \$200 an acre and got the coveted tract.

District Highway Engineer Was Here.

L. M. Martin, of Creston, district highway engineer, was in Leon last Wednesday consulting with county engineer Frank Mallette in regard to road and bridge work in Decatur county this year.

The First Count.

Miss Hazel Moore, of Pleasanton, is the winner in the first week's count of the G. B. Price Panama Exposition contest. Daylight Hour and Champion feed. Gammon Bros. Mill.

TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

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

How's this for a "hand to draw to?" Hon. Guy P. Arnold, I. T. Flint and Prince of the Orient L. W. Forgrave, were all in The Reporter office on Tuesday morning at one time! It was a regular old-fashioned love feast of democracy.

In the district court at Osceola Judge R. C. Henry sentenced Newton Taylor of near Weldon to two and a half years in the penitentiary for the crime of forgery and selling notes on farmers. Taylor had an accomplice who assisted him in the execution of the forged notes, but so far all efforts to induce him to inform on the accomplice have been unsuccessful.

The C. B. & Q. R. R. announced they would carry to the end of their line all donations for Dakota sufferers.

Landlord John Horton, of Davis City, was shaking hands with his numerous friends in this city last Saturday.

Edgar Whartenbee, of this county, a former resident of this county, came to Leon last Monday to visit relatives and old friends.

Miss Lulu Craig went to Des Moines to be present at the inauguration of our democratic governor, Horace A. Boies.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Porter moved to Leon from Wirt, Ringgold county, last Thursday, and are stopping at present with her mother, Mrs. Bobbitt, but will occupy the George Bartlett property in southeast Leon.

E. W. Curry and daughter, Miss Grace, Dr. H. C. VanWerden, L. W. Forgrave, Wm. Creighton, Nate Crago and others went to Des Moines yesterday to be present at the inauguration of Governor Boies.

George Woodbury sr., of Garden Grove, was in Des Moines looking up his chances for appointment on the state pharmacy board.

Andrew Gimmell and bride arrived Friday evening from Akron, Colorado, to visit relatives and friends. The bride was formerly Miss Lota Johnson, of Garden Grove, but at the time of her marriage was a resident of Colorado.

J. F. Garber, H. F. Keller, Capt. J. D. Brown, W. S. Chandler and J. C. Johnson had issued a call to organize a Farmers' Alliance at the Union school house in Center township.

Leon Lodge No. 84, I. O. O. F. were making arrangements to entertain the district convention on April 26, and had secured Rev. I. P. P. Teter, of Ottumwa, to deliver the address.

A Buried Forest.

Decatur, Iowa, Feb. 22, 1915. Editor Reporter:—Word has been received from Geo. F. Kay, state geologist, in regard to the wood brought up out of the deep well of Ed Rumley's, near Leon, and other wood has been found in a number of deep wells in Decatur county. The kind of wood has not been decided definitely, but may be one of the following: pine, hemlock, fir or cypress. One thing is sure, that there is a buried forest in Decatur county, about 90 feet below the surface, of which Grand River, Van Wert, Weldon, Decatur, Leon, Davis City and Lamoni are standing over it. This forest was the surface of the earth ages ago in Decatur county, and the destruction of this older forest has been caused by glaciers, sheets of land ice, and the erosion of the elements of the table lands in years gone by. Grand River is a very old stream, it being on a level with the forest and was here when this buried forest was in its prime. The filling of the lower levels are taking place all the time. Fifty years ago there were two large swamps between Decatur and Leon, deep enough to swim a horse, and in which were thousands of fish, and visited in the fall and spring by myriads of geese and ducks. These swamps are now filled up and there may be some carcasses of cows and horses, some rails and a few old rifles buried deep in the future somebody may be boring for water and find one of these old rifles, a rail, or the bones of some animal, and will wonder then, as we do now, what race of people were living in ages past in Decatur county or on any part of the earth. We will have to leave it to the geologist. They have got the earth mapped out and can tell us much about the mammal age, the reptile age, the vegetation age, which formed the coal beds, the fish age, the mollusk age and the age when there were no living creatures in all the earth.

C. R. Riley.

Celebrated 103rd Birthday.

Uncle John M. Phipps reached the one hundred and third mile post in the road of life Sunday. He celebrated his 103rd birthday, St. Valentine's Day at the home of his son, Bert Phipps at Faragut, where he makes his home. Mr. Phipps is known as the oldest Elk in the world, having been initiated on his hundredth birthday.

Only near relatives were present at the birthday party but Uncle John received lots of birthday and Valentine greetings by mail. Other friends called to greet him over the telephone. He is in good health and takes long walks daily for exercise.

In the automobile with Mr. Phipps is another centarian. Their combined ages are 205 years. The other gentleman is Jonathan Wax, father of W. H. W. Wax of Shenandoah.—Shenandoah Sentinel Post.

INCOME TAX RETURN IS DUE ON MARCH 1ST.

Persons Who Are Affected by Provisions of This Law Are Being Warned.

All persons affected by the income tax must have their return in the hands of the collector of internal revenue by March 1st.

The collector of internal revenue has issued the following announcement: "Individuals (married or single) or husband and wife whose joint income amount to \$3,000 a year or more, are advised that they must have their returns in the hands of the collector of internal revenue on or before March 1; for failure to do so, a penalty of from \$20 to \$1,000 will be assessed. Any person required by law to make, render, sign or verify any return, who makes any false or fraudulent return or statement with intent to defeat or evade the assessment required by law to be made, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined not exceeding \$2,000 or be imprisoned not exceeding one year, or both, at the discretion of the court, with the costs of prosecution. Nothing in the law shall be construed to release a taxable person from liability for income tax."

Had a Good Hog Sale.

Grant Jones & Sons had a very successful sale of their Big Type Poland China hogs at Lamoni last Thursday, notwithstanding that the quarantine on account of the foot and mouth disease kept the big breeders away, but the farmers took advantage of the opportunity and laid hold with a will, purchasing some mighty good hogs for use right here in Decatur county, and Jones & Sons were pretty well pleased with the prices under the circumstances.

The following is a list of the buyers:

- 1—Amos Berve for Graceland College, \$34.00
2—Ove Row, 35.00
4—H. F. Yost, 36.00
5—G. W. Turney, 30.00
6—Manchester Bros., 44.00
7—C. F. Hayer, 40.00
10—Joe Boswell, 35.00
12—T. J. Smith, 32.00
13—L. C. Brooks, 35.00
14—T. J. Smith, 35.00
16—Sam Shakespeare, 32.00
18—A. A. Rew, 34.00
19—Joe Braby, 29.00
20—C. E. Creveling, 35.00
21—Joe Braby, 35.00
22—D. W. Strong, 36.00
23—D. W. Strong, 40.00
24—Chas. A. Kopp, 36.00
25—Lew Horner, 28.00
27—L. C. Brooks, 32.00
28—S. C. Wycoff, 33.00
29—Mike May, 34.00
30—David Keown, 29.00
31—J. S. Tapscott, 33.00
32—Lew Horner, 35.00
33—Earl Newton, 40.00
35—Jas. A. Martin, 37.00
36—A. A. Rew, 31.00
37—Joe Boswell, 47.50
39—D. S. Tapscott, 36.00
41—H. T. Yost, 70.00
42—A. A. Rew, 60.00
43—S. C. Wycoff, 59.00
44—A. Beck, 59.00
45—Lew Horner, 46.00
46—Paul Teale, 45.00

They're Glad to Have Claude Robinson Back at Davis City.

In speaking of Claude W. Robinson returning to that place to engage in the drug business with his father, the Davis City News of last week, says:

Claude will go into the drug business in this city with his father J. H. Robinson. The new firm will put in a new modern front to the store, and put in store fixtures. An elevator will be put in the top floor to be used for wall paper and paints. They will place an up-to-date soda fountain in the store, and Claude says they are going to have one of the best drug stores in the county and he sure knows the drug business. The citizens of Davis City are glad to see him pitch his stakes with them as he is a hustler and a young man who will be lined up and always found fighting for any improvement that will be for a bigger and better Davis City.

The News bids him welcome to our home and business circles.

New "I T" Signs Are Beauties.

Mr. Jas. F. Harvey of Leon, member of the committee to purchase new markers for the "Inter-State Trail" was here Monday with a sample of the new markers. These markers are of heavy 16 gauge steel, enameled with a blue background and letters in white. The signs are 10x30 inches and are guaranteed for ten years. These signs are the neatest we have ever seen in road markers, and when these new markers are all placed between St. Paul and Kansas City the Inter-State will certainly be an attractively marked trail.

We believe it would be a good idea for the council or some of the citizens to purchase enough of these signs from the association and mark every corner through our city, it would help the tourist and also be a credit to our city.—Lamoni Chronicle.

Will Move to Humeston.

E. E. Keller, of Leon, was in town Wednesday and closed a deal for the J. P. Wolfe residence property. The consideration was \$1,550, and B. D. Metter made the deal. Possession will be given March 1, when Mr. Wolfe and family will move to his farm west of town. Mr. Keller recently sold his farm in Decatur county and will move here the first of the month.—Humeston New Era.