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JEFFERSON HIGHWAY

Annual Directors Meeting at Muskogee, Okla., Selects Two Officers from Decatur County.

The first annual meeting of the directors of the Jefferson Highway was held at Muskogee, Oklahoma, on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week and it was largely attended by the enthusiasts who are going to make the Jefferson Highway the greatest auto highway in the United States.

Decatur county, represented by director W. A. Hopkins of Lamoni, and Jas. F. Harvey, of Leon, was very much on the map at the meeting, and at the annual election of officers Decatur county was signally honored, Mr. Hopkins being elected as vice president of the International Association, and his position as director was filled by the remaining member of the Iowa directors by selecting Jas. F. Harvey of Leon, as Iowa director. This gives Decatur county two members of the permanent organization, which is now fully organized all the way from New Orleans, La., to Winnipeg, Canada.

The meeting at Muskogee was an enthusiastic one, and the Muskogee Times-Democrat in a big write-up of the meeting, commenced its article as follows:

"Fur beclad good roads boosters from the pines of Minnesota today mingled with daintily gowned lady enthusiasts from the palms of Louisiana, while broad brimmed sombrero-ed gentlemen from the plains of Texas cussed bad roads and discussed good ones with the clean-cut, bright-eyed, alert, better roads advocates from Iowa, Missouri and Oklahoma who gathered in Muskogee today to attend the first anuual directors' meeting of the International Jefferson Highway Association, whose business is to construct an automobile roadway from Winnipeg, Canada, to New Orleans."

Des Moines and other papers recently had an article stating that the Jefferson Highway had been permanently located through Allerton and Chariton, which would eliminate Leon from the Highway, but this so-called Jefferson Highway, is not the real thing, but is composed of a bunch down in Missouri and up through Iowa who are trying to make it appear they are the real Jefferson Highway and have gone ahead and organized a trail under this same name, without authority from the real Jefferson Highway. The route of the Jefferson Highway has been permanently located through Leon, and will remain here, and the efforts of these other parties in trying to steal the name and recognition will not avail them anything.

The active affairs of the Jefferson Highway are in the hands of Mr. J. D. Clarkson as general manager and the numerous boosters along nearly two thousand miles of the route. The organization is completed and in every state there has been a great amount of work done on the road during the last year with a promise of a great deal more to be done in the year to come.

Doing Lots of Road Work in Woodland Township.

The good roads boosters of Woodland township are doing a big lot of splendid work on their roads. There is a contest up over the selection of the route for the new trail from Lineville to Des Moines up through Woodland and High Point townships, and the first of this week gangs of men and teams were at work on both routes putting them in the best of condition, and the work was all being donated. One piece of donated work is estimated to cost $1,000, but the Woodland township farmers are going to show all the balance of the county something on making good roads. When you want to take a pleasure ride, just drive your auto down through Woodland township and see what they are doing.

Will Rebuild Garden Grove Opera House.

Mrs. Dilsaver, who has been in the southwest the past few months, came home last week to look after her interests here. We are told she expects to rebuild the opera house at once. The plan under consideration will be somewhat different from the building that was burned. The front will be changed, having a recess with doors on each side of the ticket booth. It will be 20 feet longer than the old building and will have no gallery. It is certainly hoped that it will be rebuilt as it will be a fine thing for the town.—Garden Grove Express.

New Time Card Changes Trains.

A new time card on the Missouri division of the Burlington went into effect at noon Sunday, which makes a slight change in the morning and evening passenger trains at Leon. The south bound train now leaves Leon at 6 a. m. instead of 6:35 a. m., passing the Des Moines train at Davis City instead of Leon. The north bound evening passenger train now leaves Leon at 8:51 p. m., instead of 8:35 p. m.

Puritana Cafe Changes Hands.

Longacre & Rook last Saturday sold their Puritana cafe in this city to W. H. Campbell, of Decatur City, who took possession at once, and will continue the business. Longacre & Rook recently purchased a big cafe and bakery at Osceola and it was necessary that both be there to handle the business. Fay Longacre has been in charge of their Leon cafe, and has moved to Osceola.

Mrs. D. Loe Died Tuesday Morning.

Mrs. D. Loe, one of the pioneer residents of Leon, who has been critically ill for a number of weeks, passed away at her home in south Leon Tuesday morning at 5 o'clock. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon, interment being in the Leon cemetery. A fitting obituary will be published next week

Turned His Auto Over.

While Art Teale, of Davis City, was coming up the Parker hill this side of Davis City Monday something went wrong with his steering gear and the car turned over on its side, dumping Art out but he escaped injury, and no damage was done to the car.

I. O. O. F. Roll Call.

There was a big time at the annual roll call and election of officers of the Odd Fellows lodge last Friday night. Grand Master W. S. Kight, of Des Moines, was present and made a splendid talk of more than an hour, which was a rare treat to the members, for he is one of the best talkers ever heard in this city. There was work in the first degree, the candidate being Ralph Ridgeway.

When the annual roll call was made 130 responded to their names. Visitors were present from Weldon, Van Wert, Decatur City, Davis City and Saline, Mo.

The annual election of officers resulted as follows:

N. G.—W. J. Sullivan.
V. G.—O. E. Bisplinghoff.
Treas.—S. E. Benefiel.
Rec. Sec.—Morris Gardner.
Fin. Sec.—J. S. Parrish.

After the work in the lodge room was completed the members enjoyed a fine midnight banquet, which was served by the ladies of the Christian church in the dining room of the church

Enjoyed Musical Recital.

The M. E. church was filled last Wednesday evening at a private recital given with the compliments of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Alexander of this city. It was expected when the invitations were issued that Miss Elizabeth Spencer soprano, and Mr. Abraham Bond violinist, would give the program, but on account of the illness of Miss Spencer, Mr. Reed Miller, one of the highest paid tenor soloists in the leading churches of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Mr. Rudolph Polk violinist, were sent to Leon. Mr. Miller has made many records for the Edison laboratories and an Edison machine was used, Mr. Miller singing in unison with the record and it was impossible to distinguish any difference in the tones of the human voice and the re-creation, and the same was true of the violin playing by Mr. Polk. It was a rare treat which was greatly enjoyed by all present, and many compliments were given Mr. and Mrs. Alexander for providing such a splendid evening of music.

Another Husker Claims Honors.

Claiming that he is the champion corn husker of Iowa, Oscar Olsen, who lives on a farm ten miles northwest of Mason City, authorizes a challenge to all claimants to the title—the contest to be for a purse of a sufficient size to make it an object. This challenge is especially directed to Cedar Rapids which appears to be backing one James Wall of near Iowa City. Olsen made a record in 1914 during the months of October and November when he husked 3,836 bushels in twenty-eight days. During the week just passed Mr. Olsen husked 946 bushels, being 157 2-3 bushels per day, six days, nine hours and one half a day. On election day Mr. Olsen expected to set a new world's record, but was prevented by rain. During the four and a half hours he worked he husked ninety-three bushels.

Clarence Swanson Accidentally Shot.

Last Saturday morning Clarence Swanson and Glenn Hutchinson, boys 14 and 11 years of age, were out hunting on the Gurley George farm just east of Leon. When they were ready to start home Glen Hutchinson was in the act of loading his .22 calibre rifle when in some manner it was acidentally discharged, the ball striking Clarence Swanson, who was standing five or six feet away, in the calf of the right leg, inflicting a painful but not serious wound. The injured lad was brought to town and an X-ray examination showed that the ball was lodged against the large bone in his leg and the attending physician decided to allow it to remain, as the bone was not injured. Clarence has suffered considerable pain from the wound, but is getting along nicely and will soon be out again.

He'll Stop After This.

Clerk-elect Ralph Rumley will sure stop and wait after this when a car comes up behind him and the driver toots his horn. One night last week Ralph and Charles Horn were driving the former's car home from Des Moines, and up near Indianola they noticed a car coming up on them. Ralph is a fair driver and not many cars pass him on the road so he gently stepped on the button and away they went. This continued for about ten miles, and finally a big mud hole stopped them and the second car caught up with them. Imagine their feelings when the two young men in the second car informed them they had lost their spare casing and rim about ten miles back, and they saw it fall off, so stopped and picked it up and had been chasing them for ten miles to restore it to them.

K. of P. Lodge Elected Officers.

At the regular meeting of Hesperia Lodge No. 33, K. of P., Monday night there was a good attendance, the second rank being conferred upon a candidate and the annual election of officers being held, the following being elected for the coming year:

C. C.—Fred Epperley.
V. C.—George Hamilton.
Prelate—Earl Gardner.
M. of W.—Chas. A. Biddison.
K. of R. and S.—Louis Elwell.
M. of E.—Carl R. Monroe.
M. at A.—Lester Hutchinson.
I. G.—Earl D. Biddison.
O. G.—Fred Fisher.

Representatives to Grand Lodge—Charles Horn, Louis Elwell and F. L. Lorey.

Marriage Licenses.

Roscoe McDaniel, Davis City 26
Jennie L. Frazier, Saline, Mo. 22
Earl H. Gardner, Leon 27
Amy Benefiel, Leon 27
N. M. Baldwin, Ottumwa 47
Lydia Walker, Leon 42
Raymond F. Dunn, Van Wert 21
Susa Wagner, Van Wert 25
James A. Pogue, Des Moines 58
Mrs. Julia A. Barger, Garden Grove 55

Clifton West, who was recently operated upon for appendicitis in a hospital in Chicago, returned home Saturday. He was accompanied here by his sister, Miss Virginia West, who is a trained nurse in Chicago, and she visited a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. W. West, of west of Leon.

AUTO TURNED TURTLE

Harry Bradfield's Auto Turned Over Sunday Evening. The Occupants Escaped Serious Injuries.

Harry Bradfield turned his Ford touring car turtle on the level road just north of the Bert Woodard farm a mile and a half north of Leon Sunday evening. Mr. Bradfield, wife and daughter Kathryn, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Coder, had been out for a pleasure ride and were returning to Leon just after dark. Harry was driving 20 or 25 miles an hour, and a big car coming from the south with brilliant lights blinded him and he ran up on the span of little burrows hitched to a light wagon, owned by the Smith boys of Leon in which several lads were riding. In order to prevent striking the rig he turned his car sharply to the left side of the road and then whipped it back when the left rear wheel smashed down and a front casing blew out at the same time and quick as a flash the car turned turtle. The top was down, so there was no protection to the occupants. Both Mr. and Mrs. Coder were thrown out of the car, but Mr. Bradfield, wife and little daughter were caught under the car, but fortunately were not injured aside from a few minor bruises and scratches. Harry was held under the car until several parties who were near rushed to his assistance. Mrs. Coder's arm and knee were severely bruised when she struck the ground. The little old Ford never stopped running, the engine chugging away until it was shut off after the occupants were released from under the car. The car was not damaged much aside from the steering wheel being broken and the windshield smashed, and everybody is happy over the fortunate termination of what might have been a very serious accident.

Additional Personals.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Hamilton and daughter Alberta returned Monday evening from Des Moines, where they had been visiting a few days with their daughter, Miss Winifred, who is a student at Drake University.

Mrs. Monnie Weddle, of St. Joe, Mo., who had been visiting at the home of her mother at Saline, Mo., stopped off in this city last Thursday for a short visit with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Mitchell.

Mrs. Paralee Moore went to Mt. Ayr Saturday evening and visited over Sunday with her son, Claude Moore. Her granddaughter, Miss Hilda Moore, who had been here for a few days visit returned home with her.

Mrs. A. M. Pryor of this city, and her brother, Albert Kelley, of Mt. Ayr, departed Wednesday morning for Leavenworth, Kansas, to visit their brother, George Kelley, who resides at the Soldiers' Home, and is suffering from a stroke of paralysis.

Dr. J. W. Campbell, president of Simpson College, Indianola, came Saturday and visited over Sunday, the guest of Rev. and Mrs. R. R. Moser. Dr. Campbell preached at the M. E. church Sunday, and those present heard a most excellent sermon.

Mrs. F. N. Hansell went to Creston Saturday to be with her son, James, who returned there Friday after spending Thanksgiving at home. James is recovering nicely from his operation but will remain at Creston for a time taking treatment.

Mrs. George Clark, of Hotchkiss, Colorado, arrived last Wednesday and is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Gammon of Eden township. Mr. Clark will follow shortly and they have arranged to farm the Gammon farm the coming year.

Miss Nina Olsen, who had been spending the Thanksgiving vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Olsen, in this city, returned to Des Moines Monday to resume her studies at Drake University. Her mother accompanied her to Des Moines for a few days visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Sell, son Harry and daughter Miss Daisy, autoed to Des Moines Thanksgiving day and spent the day with friends in that city. Miss Isabel McCarg, of Des Moines, accompanied them home that evening, returning to Des Moines Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hurst and Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Rowell motored to Des Moines Sunday and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Thompson, and the latter's sister, Mrs. W. W. Warner, of Salt Lake City, Utah, who arrived last week to spend the winter in Des Moines.

Hud Hughes and family, of north of Lamoni, and Mrs. H. L. Pease, of this city, motored last week to Bloomfield for a few days visit with Mrs. Pease's son, J. R. Pease. From Bloomfield Mrs. Pease went to Albia where she will visit a few weeks with her twin sister, Mrs. R. A. Hughes.

Edgar Ketcham departed Saturday for Revelstoke, B. C., after visiting a couple of weeks in this city at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Ketcham. He holds the very responsible position of train dispatcher on the Canadian Pacific R. R. at Revelstoke, which is a division station.

W. C. Kimport, who is a clerk in the Des Moines postoffice, came down last Thursday and ate Thanksgiving turkey with relatives in this city. He was accompanied here by Mrs. Kimport who remained for a few days visit, Mr. Kimport being compelled to return to Des Moines Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Parker and children, of Lamoni, visited over Thanksgiving at the home of her father, J. E. Leeper, northeast of Leon, and helped get away with a big turkey and goose dinner. Joe says the high cost of living does not effect him for he raised everything for his Thanksgiving dinner.

For Sale—On account of moving away, my Leon residence property on north Main street. W. C. Stempel, 2621 Santa Fe Avenue, Ft. Madison, Iowa.

Have you heard of C. E. Butler's new method of buying Xmas presents? Don't fail to drop in and have him explain it.

We have some 5 per cent money for choice farm loans. Farmers & Traders State Bank.

Pogue—Barger.

Mr. J. A. Pogue, of Des Moines, and Mrs. Julia Barger, of Garden Grove, were quietly married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Biggs in this city Monday afternoon, the ceremony being performed by Rev. C. S. Marsolf, pastor of the Leon Presbyterian church.

Mr. Pogue is a well known banker of Des Moines, and Mrs. Barger is one of the most esteemed ladies of Garden Grove. They went to Garden Grove on the afternoon train and many friends in that vicinity will hasten to extend congratulations and best wishes for their happiness.

Gardner—Benefiel.

Wednesday evening, Nov. 29th, at the house which was to be their future home, occurred the marriage of Mr. Earl Gardner to Miss Amy Benefiel. The wedding was a quiet home affair, only the parents of the bride and groom and one friend of the bride were present. Henry Esch, of the Christian church, was the officiating minister.

Both Mr. Gardner and Miss Benefiel are prominent in the social life of the community. We wish them much joy and prosperity as they are launching out upon life's highway together.

Brown—French.

Wednesday afternoon of last week Mr. Varley Brown and Miss Minona French, both of Garden Grove, called at the Methodist parsonage. They presented a marriage license and at their request were united in the bonds of matrimony. They were attended by the father and mother and a younger brother of the groom. Mr. and Mrs. Brown will make their home on a farm near Garden Grove. Congratulations, may the richest of blessings ever be theirs.

Baldwin—Walker.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Stebbins, in Lamoni, on Thanksgiving evening, November 30th, 1916, Mr. Newton M. Baldwin, of Ottumwa, Iowa, and Mrs. Lydia E. Walker, of Leon, were united in marriage. Elder Stebbins officiating at the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin returned to Leon the same evening, and will make their home in this city, for a time at least. The Reporter extends congratulations and wishes them much happiness.

Boles—West.

Mr. Willard Boles of Grand River, and Miss Flossie West of Van Wert, were pronounced man and wife at the Methodist parsonage Wednesday noon of last week, Rev. Raoul R. Moser officiating. These happy young people will make their home on a farm north of Grand River. May good health, happiness and prosperity attend them all along the journey of life.

High School Box Supper.

The High School will hold a big box supper at the High School assembly room on Tuesday evening, Dec. 12. Proceeds for athletic fund.

Guy Smith, who works at the Roberts restaurant had an experience Tuesday night he does not care to repeat. They had been scrubbing, using water out of the big cistern at the rear of the Tom Crago barber shop and the lid had been left off the cistern. Guy went out the back door looking for something and walked into the cistern, which had about ten feet of water in it and he went to the bottom, but being able to swim he got hold of a pipe that connected with the pump inside of the barber shop. Geo. Roberts hearing his call for help, went and pulled him out, none the worse except for a good scare and wetting.

Tom Lane sold his 140 acre farm in Woodland township last week to Otis Deisher at the price of $75 per acre and will move to some neighboring town, probably Lineville, for the purpose of educating his daughter. Tom and his excellent family are the sort of people any town or community will be glad to welcome and we sincerely hope that Lineville will be their choice.—Lineville Tribune.

Charles Ryan, who formerly lived near Leon, but for the past four years living on a farm north of Weldon, was a visitor in Leon Saturday. He has sold his farm of 220 acres at $105 an acre, an advance of $45 per acre over what he paid for it four years ago, and has purchased another farm of 120 acres, 3½ miles south of Osceola, on the Jefferson Highway, paying $155 an acre for the place.

Mrs. G. O. Johnston and daughter, Miss Nora, entertained the following at their home in Leon on Thanksgiving day: J. F. McMorris and family, Mrs. Ella Munyon and Miss Della Brown, of Grand River. After disposing of the dinner the time was passed in singing and other music with Miss Brown at the organ. All united in saying they had had a good time.

We have just received a shipment of the latest things in mountings for Christmas photographs, and have finished up some fine samples. We think these are among the most attractive we have ever shown. Why not make an appointment today for a sitting and be the first to enjoy the new styles. The Smith Studio, at the southeast corner of the square.

The Loyal Sisters of the Franklin Sunday school will hold a bazaar at Caster's Grocery store, Saturday, Dec. 9. They will have on sale needle work, pies, cookies, dressed chickens, etc.

Don't use common drop cords for your electric lights. Select an attractive fixture from the many displayed in the special fixture room at the Leon Electric Company's office. 1-

Don't forget the Saturday afternoon matinee at the Idle Hour theatre at 3 o'clock. Admission 5 and 10 cents.

We want your business and will give you every reasonable banking courtesy and accommodation. Leon Savings Bank.

See the latest in folders at the Harris Studio, $1.50 per dozen. North side of square. 9-tf

See Biddison for pumps and pump work. 16-3t

TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

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

H. H. Messenger, one of the oldest and most popular conductors in the employ of the C. B. & Q., died at his home in Chariton last Thursday after a short illness, a severe attack of lung fever proving fatal. Mr. Messenger was well known to many of our citizens as he had been running a train on this branch for several years.

A little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Gardner yesterday morning.

While working on William Wallace's new porch in south Leon the scaffold fell with Wm. Tharp and John Daily. Mr. Tharp sustained a severe scalp wound on the head. It was reported up town that he was instantly killed, but fortunately it turned out that he was only stunned and was able to be on the streets in the afternoon with his head bandaged up.

Marriage licenses have been issued the past two weeks as follows:

Bird C. Guffy 47 to Florence Van Winkle 21.

David N. McPherson 18 to Nora B. Wilson 20.

James O'dell 24 to Sadie Devoss 18.

A. B. Hanson 22 to Adelaid Claus 18.

John McBroom 38 to Nancy Flora 36.

James W. Locke 31 to Louisa Knott 21.

Edward Emley 21 to Mary E. Foland 18.

C. E. Cain 22 to Clara N. Fronaburger 20.

John D. Hunter 29 to Ida C. Yarrington 23.

J. W. Frost 32 to Arizona Davis 24.

F. H. Matthews 20 to Maud Barnthouse 19.

Joseph Orren Wilson died at the home of his father, James Wilson, on Dec. 3rd, at the age of 21 years. He is survived by his wife and one child.

Mrs. John Mode left yesterday to join her husband at Red Oak.

Mrs. A. J. Allen was called to Albia yesterday by the serious illness of her father.

Miss Kate Sankey went to Lamoni yesterday to visit a few days with her sister, Mrs. Fred Teale.

Miss Stella Misner, who had been visiting at the home of Dr. C. P. Mullinnix, returned to her home at Mt. Moriah, Mo., Tuesday.

Wm. Akes returned Friday from a trip to St. Joe, Mo., where he purchased a complete new saw mill and will soon have it in operation.

Captain Layton attended the 27th anniversary banquet of the survivors of the battle of Prairie Grove, held at the Kirkwood hotel in Des Moines last Friday.

Ac Brazelton purchased the widow Loe farm in Eden township, the consideration being $1,500.

Wheat was worth 92c in Chicago, corn 47c, oats 32c, cattle $2.90 to $5.40, hogs $3.50, to $3.90, sheep $3.50 to $5.25.

Leon 21—Lamoni 0.

The high school foot ball game at Lamoni on Thanksgiving day resulted in a victory for Leon. The game was a much better one than the score would indicate. Our boys had to work hard for each inch of ground gained.

Leon kicked off to Lamoni and for ten minutes was outplayed. Lamoni executed long forward passes and punched the line for big gains. At the end of the first quarter Leon had worked the ball to the one yard line, and on the first play of the second quarter Scott carried it over for a touch down. In the third quarter Gardner carried the ball over, and in the fourth quarter Tom Grogan made the final touch down for the season. Grimes kicked goal successfully after each touch down of the game. Leon played a hard consistent game, not once did a man fail in his duty. In the fourth quarter Lamoni was within a yard of the goal line with four downs to make the distance. In the four trials not an inch was gained and Leon kicked out of danger.

Lamoni played a splendid game. No man on their team faltered once, but Leon was there in the pinches. Lamoni excelled in forward passing. They made many long gains by this means.

In spite of the one-sided score this game was the most spectacular in which our team has engaged this season.

The line-up for Leon was as follows:

Wright, re; Gray, rt; Hagan, rg; VanWerden, c; Leeper, lg; C. Morgan, lt; Hurst, le; Scott, qb; Grimes, rhb; Gardner, fb; T. Grogan, lhb.

Substitutes—M. Morgan, M. Grogan, O. Elwell, G. Garber.

Officials—Mendenhall of Lineville, referee; J. Hoffman of Simpson, umpire; Supt. Irwin of Lamoni, headlinesman; Walker and Cedar, timekeepers.

New Court Cases.

W. L. Barry & Son vs. George N. Warner. Suit is brought on two promissory notes on which there is due $175.00. Baker & Parrish, attorneys for plaintiff.

J. L. Mitchell vs. Bedford Oney et al. Suit is brought to quiet title to the north half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 17, township 68, range 25 west, Decatur county, Iowa. Varga & Son, attorneys for plaintiff.

T. M. Riddle vs. R. D. and Vivian Lockwood. Suit is brought on two promissory notes on which it is claimed there is a balance due of $250.00. Baker & Parrish, attorneys for plaintiff.

For Sale—Residence property on south Main street, six room house in good repair. City water and electric lights. Address J. B. McEndree, 213 Market street, Marshalltown, Iowa. 47-tf

Last regular meeting for the year 1916, O. E. S., election of officers and closing up of the year's work. Entertainment by the brothers of the Chapter on Monday evening, Dec. 11.

Look that George property up. See advertisement in this issue.

Money to loan on some good farms. Leon Savings Bank.

IDLE HOUR SPECIALS.

Pauline Frederick in "Zaza" Friday, and Marie Doro in "The White Pearl" Monday.

Every night is a feature night now at the popular Idle Hour theatre, but on Friday of this week there is an extra Paramount feature play, when the Charles Frohman Co., presents Pauline Frederick in a super-photo production of the sensation of the century, "Zaza." The Famous Players Film Co.'s magnificent picturization of the immortal drama, "Zaza," with Pauline Frederick, the supreme emotional artist, in the celebrated title role, is one of the greatest dramatic achievements yet contributed to the screen. The marvellous sympathy and mastery with which Miss Frederick has interpreted the emotions and the complex character of the Paris music hall singer is a lasting monument to her amazing histrionic powers. "Zaza" is one of the few greatest stage roles ever created, and Miss Frederick's rendition of the exacting characterization, together with the sumptuous production given the subject by the Famous Players Film Co. will make this great photoplay one of the foremost triumphs of the screen.

10 cent matinee at 3 o'clock. First evening show at 7:15. Prices 10 and 15 cents.

On Monday another fanciful Paramount romance of the Orient comes, presenting Marie Doro in "The White Pearl." Marie Doro, the enchanting young star who through her first appearance in motion pictures, in that great film creation, "The Morals of Marcus," endowed the screen with a new personality, again attains a desisive triumph in the Famous Players Film Co.'s elaborate five-part photo-production, "The White Pearl," by Edith Barnard Delano, author of "Rags." "The White Pearl" is a fanciful romance of the orient, with which drama and mystery are absorbingly interwoven. In this unusual story, the strong attachment between two young American lovers survives and triumphs over the machinations of a band of Japanese geisha traders, the influence of a Hindu legend of death which for a time threatens the life of the girl and the caprices of destiny itself. Throughout the entire production Miss Doro proves herself thoroughly captivating and dramatically effective.

10 cent matinee at 3 o'clock. First evening show at 7:15. Prices 10 and 15 cents.

Declamatory and Music Contest.

The Annual Rural Schools Declamatory and Music contest will be held at the Methodist church at Leon on Saturday, Dec. 9th at 1 o'clock. An excellent program will be presented as a result of an unusually strong group of township contests. In some of the townships however, the contests are held this week, and for that reason the names of the contestants do not appear in the below program. Money prizes of $5, $3 and $2 will be awarded the speakers receiving the rankings. Prizes of $5 and $3 will be awarded in the music contest.

The proceeds of the contest are used to furnish the prizes for the contest and for the school exhibit which will be held in the spring. Children enrolled in school will be admitted for 10 cents, others for 25 cents. A liberal patronage will evince an interest in the progress of the schools and help a good cause financially.

The following is the program:

Bloomington, "A Boy's Troubles," Vaughn Hale.
Burrell, not reported.
Center, "Counting Eggs," Hazel Lewis, Crown.
Eden, "Hannah Tripe in Court," Florence Anderson, Center.
Decatur, not reported.
Fayette, not reported.
Franklin, "Mary Carey," Dorothy Stiles, Lillard.
Garden Grove, "Uncle Pete's Courtship," Julia McKibben.
Grand River, not reported.
Long Creek, "The Inventor's Wife," Ruth Wilson, Woodard.
Hamilton, "Mrs. Smart Learns to Skate," Mabel Cowles, Oak Seminary.
Morgan, "Who's Afraid," Harold LaFollette, Union.
New Buda, not reported.
Richland, not reported.
Woodland, "Who's Afraid," Hazel Lane, Gnat Ridge.
High Point, "Aunt Eleanor's Hero," Ruth Bremer, Spunky Ridge.

Rosetta Rumley.

Rosetta Rumley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Rumley, was born in Decatur county, Iowa, August 6, 1916, died at her home in Leon, Iowa, Sunday evening, December 3, 1916, at the age of 20 years, 3 months and 28 days.

She was married to Guy Martin, August 14, 1914. She became a member of the Christian church during the Hillis meetings, and held membership in the church at Leon, Iowa, at the time of her death.

Mrs. Martin made a place for herself in her circle of friends because of her kindly christian character, and these friends look forward to the time of meeting in that land where there are no graves or death, marriage or parting, sorrow or woe. They look forward to a dwelling place in that city, whose walls are salvation and whose gates are joy.

She leaves to mourn her decease, her husband, her father and mother, two sisters and five brothers, and friends and neighbors.

Funeral services were conducted from the Shy church by Henry Esch, pastor of the Leon Christian church. Interment was in the Shy cemetery.

Order cut flowers and floral designs from O. E. Hull, local agent of Lozier, of Des Moines, at The Reporter office. Orders sent by phone or mail, but order as early as possible.

Jas. F. Harvey will speak on his South American trip at the Federated Clubs meeting on Friday afternoon, December 15th, at the library.

Designers announce that spring skirts will be longer. It is reassuring to hear that something is coming down.

Photographs make inexpensive Christmas gifts. Have yours taken now at the Harris Studio. 14-tf

The Leon Savings Bank is prepared to make some good farm loans at reasonable rates.