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AMERICAN BOYS KILLED

Iowa Boys Among Killed and Missing as Result of German Attack on Trenches on French Front.

Washington, Nov. 5.—Iowa has written her name in blood on the battle field in France. One of her sons, Private Merle D. Hay of Glidden, met death in the recent raid on a trench held by the soldiers of the U. S. A.

Another Iowa youth, Private Dewey D. Kern, of Collins, is among the captured or missing.

These two are the Iowans included in the official casuality list announced today by the war department.

In all three Americans were killed, five wounded and twelve captured or missing when the German raid on the American first line trench took place.

The enemy losses are not known, according to the official announcement, which adds that "one wounded German was taken prisoner."

Private Hay's father, Harry D. Hay, lives at Glidden, and Private Kern's mother, who lives at Collins, is Mrs. Eva Tilton.

The parents were informed of their sons' fate in messages sent by the war department before the names were made public.

The two others killed were:

Private Thomas F. Enright, sister, Mrs. Mary Inwin, 6641 Premo street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Private James B. Gresham, mother, Mrs. Alice Dood, Evansville, Ind.

The wounded are:

Private John J. Smith, Ludington, Mich.

Private Charles J. Hopkins, Stanton, Texas.

Private Geo. L. Box, Altus, Okla.

Private Homer Divens, Cloverdale, Ala.

Private Charles L. Orr, Lyons, Kansas.

Captured or missing in addition to Private Kern follow:

Sergeant Edgar M. Halyburton, Stony Point, N. C.

Corporal Nicholas L. Mulhall, Jersey City, N. J.

Corporal Edwin H. Haines, Woodward, Okla.

Private Herchel Godfrey, Chicago.

Private Vernon M. Kendall, Roll, Okla.

Private William P. Grigsby, Louisville, Ky.

Private Frank E. McGougal, Maryville, Mo.

Private Daniel B. Gallagher, Blockton, Ala.

Private John P. Lester, Tutwiler, Miss.

Private Harry Langham, Chicago.

Private ——, Keckon, can not be identified.

The casuality list was accompanied by the following announcement:

"The war department has received a dispatch from the commanding general of the American expeditionary forces which states that before daylight Nov. 3 a salient occupied for instructions by a company of American infantry was raided by Germans.

"The enemy put down a heavy barrage fire, cutting off the salient from the rest of the line. Our losses were three killed, five wounded and twelve captured or missing. The enemy's losses are not known. One wounded German was taken prisoner."

The American troops captured probably were trapped in their dugouts and forced to surrender or be blown to pieces with hand grenades without a chance for their lives.

Hay Son of Farmer.

Glidden, Nov. 5—Merle D. Hay, one of the American soldiers killed, was a son of a well known farmer, and enlisted in Des Moines May 10, 1917. His parents and a brother and sister live five miles south of here.

Hay's mother had a premonition when her son left to enlist that he would never return to her alive. The young man was widely known in this county.

Kern Also a Recruit.

Collins, Nov. 5.—Mrs. Eva Tilton received a message from the war department today announcing that her son, Dewey D. Kern, was among the "captured or missing." Kern enlisted in Des Moines on May 8, 1917, and was 19 years old in August. He had been employed here by a lumber concern.

James Moore Badly Injured.

James Moore, an old gentleman residing near the depot, was the victim of a serious accident Sunday evening. He was crossing the pavement at the foot of the depot hill, coming from Walker's restaurant in company with George Adair when a lad named Peters, who was riding a bicycle down the hill at a rapid pace, ran into Mr. Moore and he was thrown to the pavement, his leg being broken above the knee, the bone protruding through the flesh. As he is well along in years the accident is a serious one for him, but he is getting along as well as could be expected.

Six More Exemptions.

The local exemption board has received notice that the appeal exemption board at Des Moines has granted exemption to six more Decatur county soldier boys, William S. Connor, of Leon, Bert E. Slaughter, of Lamoni, and Ernest A. McCormcik, of Pleasanton, Richard Green Duncan, Lineville, Mahlon B. McGahuey, Decatur, Ralph L. Thompson, Van Wert. Bill Connor was only last week transferred from Camp Dodge to Deming, New Mexico, a long ways from home, and Bill will be several months in getting back to Leon if he had to walk back.

Parent-Teachers Meeting Friday Afternoon, Nov. 9, at 2:30.

The following is the program of the Parent-Teachers meeting to be held at the High School Friday afternoon at 2:30 p. m.:

Music, High School orchestra.
Exercise, Miss Teale's pupils.
Music, Boys' Glee Club.
Address, Rev. Marsolf.
Music, Girls' Glee Club.
Discussion, Parents' Day in the School, lead by Mrs. Hansell and Miss Grogan.

Ball Band overshoes are best by test. G. B. Price.

SUGAR SHORTAGE WILL BE BRIEF.

Relief to Come Within Next Thirty Days Through New Crop.

While the sugar shortage is general throughout the country and America is shipping thirty-four times as much to Great Britain and France as in normal times nevertheless the present pinch is temporary, according to the authorities. It is pointed out that the new supply of western beet sugar and also the Cuban sugar will begin reaching market in less than a month and will provide an adequate supply.

Wholesalers declare there is no inducement to hoard sugar inasmuch as the government has fixed both wholesale and retail prices and will not permit a retailer to make a profit of more than 25 cents per hundred pounds and wholesalers can not charge more than $7.95 per hundred pounds.

It is generally charged that if the government has not enacted a law to control the price of sugar it would now be retailing for as high as 20 cents per pound.

Export figures show that sugar exports from the United States increased from 72,000,000 pounds in 1914 to 1,655,000,000 in 1916. In 1917 the increase in sugar exports from this country will far exceed those of 1916 it is reported.

Great Britain formerly secured sugar from Germany and Austria and France produced her own sugar. Now both countries are supplied from the United States.

A new beet sugar factory has just been completed at Mason City, Iowa, and has started to operate. When it gets fully underway it will have a big output. The beet sugar factory at Waverly, built a few years ago is not now in operation.

Government Official Inspected Decatur County Roads.

J. C. Wonders, federal agent of the Public Roads and Rural Engineering department, of Washington, D. C., visited Decatur county Tuesday, and in company with county engineer W. R. Greenlun and Jas. F. Harvey, made a trip over the Jefferson Highway inspecting the condition of the roads and country in regard to the federal aid which Decatur county has applied for, to use in connection with state aid in making permanent road improvements in this county next year, this appropriation amounting to over $40,000. Mr. Wonders, while promising nothing definite in the matter, left the impression that the application of Decatur county would be approved, and this will be one of the first counties in the state to secure federal aid for public highways.

C. M. Akes' Big Stock Sale Next Tuesday.

On account of having rented his farms, and engaging in the breeding of pure bred Hereford cattle exclusively, C. M. Akes will have a big stock sale at his farm just south of Leon next Tuesday, Nov. 13th, at which he will sell over 400 head of cattle, horses and hogs, and it will be one of the big stock sales of southern Iowa. Many of the cows to be sold are bred to his Hereford herd bull, and they are the best bunch of cattle he has ever put up at a sale, being White Faces, Short Horns and Aberdeen Angus. He will sell 20 head of horses and included in this lot are some extra good dapple grays. The sale will start promptly at 12 o'clock, and a large number of buyers from a distance are expected to be in attendance.

Banker Ditched.

Last Wednesday evening Mr. A. L. Ackerley, president of the Exchange National bank, was returning from a trip to Lamoni, driving his trusty John Henry, and when near the home of J. Wesley Chew, three miles southwest of Leon, he turned out to pass a car and ran into the weeds which covered up a small ditch, and found he could not get out of it, the result being that a wheel was smashed, and Mr. Ackerley got mixed up with the pedals in the sudden stop, and sustained a sprained ankle, so that he is compelled to use crutches to get around. Mrs. Ackerley was also in the car but she escaped any injury.

Masonic Lodge Occupied New Hall.

The Masonic lodge of Leon on Monday moved their furniture and paraphernalia to their magnificent new hall which has been in course of construction for the past year, and the lodge held their first meeting in the new hall on Tuesday evening. The new building which occupies the second and third stories over the Mullinnix building has cost in the neighborhood of $10,000, and is one of the very finest Masonic lodge rooms in the state. It will be used jointly by all the Masonic bodies of this city. A formal dedication of the new building will be held some time during the coming winter.

Congressman Towner Here.

Congressman H. M. Towner, of Corning, spent last Thursday in Leon, visiting with his many friends here, and talking over political matters before he returns to Washington. Congressman Towner was not making a speaking tour, but just a friendly visit seeing as many people as possible, and he was a pretty busy man while in Leon. He is visiting every county in the district, and says the people here have no idea of the immense amount of work which the war has piled up on all the officials at Washington.

Costs More for Railroad Tickets.

The new war tax which went into effect last week provides that the purchaser of a railroad ticket shall pay 8 per cent of the price of the ticket as a war tax. It costs 14 cents more now for a ticket from Leon to Des Moines, the old price being $1.74 and the war tax is 14 cents, so that it costs $1.88 now to travel to Des Moines from Leon.

Notice to Correspondents.

All letters to The Reporter which are mailed at the Leon post office or on any of the Leon rural routes require only two cents postage, but those which pass through any other office than Leon require three cents postage.

READS LIKE A NOVEL

Heirs of Larkin McDaniel Located After Being Lost Track of for Almost Half a Century.

A story which sounded like a novel was revealed in the district court Tuesday morning when a hearing was held before Judge Maxwell in the matter of the estate of Larkin McDaniel, who died in this county a couple of years ago, leaving an estate of some sixteen or seventeen thousand dollars. Mr. McDaniel was 92 years old at the time of his death, and left no will, his nephew, A. T. Weldon, being appointed administrator of his estate, and he has had a difficult matter in locating the heirs, and one branch of the family has not yet been located. One brother, Isaac McDaniel settled in Decatur county in about 1838, living near Terre Haute. He left here in 1866 going to Platte county, Mo., where he lived a year and then moved to Kansas, where he died, and his wife wrote for her brother, Allan Miller, to come and live with them, and the family then moved to Arkansas, where the mother died in a short time. The three children of Isaac McDaniel became separated, and lost all track of each other. One of the boys, Larkin, was known as Larkin McDonald, and A. T. Weldon made a trip to Texas, and Oklahoma trying to locate the heirs. He finally located the daughter, Mrs. Permelia Capps, who lives at Barron, Oklahoma, and through information obtained from her continued the search and located her two brothers, A. L. at Bay City, Texas, and A. J. at Tar City, Oklahoma. The two brothers came to Leon last week, but their sister was unable to make the long journey here.

A. L. MacDonald as he is known at home, but who is really A. L. McDaniel, was born in Decatur county, in January, 1862, and left here with his parents in 1866, and although only four years old, while on the witness stand he was able to relate many things which occurred here at that time, among them he told of seeing a fight at Terre Haute, between two young men named Sutherlin and Carroll, and this was corroborated by one of them, C. W. Sutherlin, of Davis City, who says he well remembers the big fight his opponent being David Carroll, and Mr. Sutherlin finally won out by getting Carroll's thumb in his mouth and holding on like a bull dog. Mr. MacDonald also told of seeing the Indians in this country, of their coming to Terre Haute to get sugar water from the hard maple trees in the timber, and of seeing the Indian boys shooting the birds with their bows and arrows. Although separated for so many years the two brothers and their sister did not reside so very far apart, but had lost all track of each other. After hearing the evidence Judge Maxwell entered an order that the two brothers and their sister, Mrs. Capps, be declared legal heirs and entitled to one-fifth of the estate of their uncle. One sister of Larkin McDaniel, who married a man by the name of Summers, or any of her family, have not yet been located, but the administrator, Mr. A. T. Weldon, is still in hopes that they will finally be located and receive their share of the estate.

Selling Many Farms.

Keller & Robertson, of this city, have been doing a big business in selling farms the past two weeks. They have had a number of outside buyers here looking at farms, and have closed sales to practically all who have been here. Among their recent sales are the following:

The 280 acre farm east of Leon known as the Wm. VanNostrand farm, and the 228 acre farm west of Leon known as the Uriah Mitten farm, to A. L. Hanson & Son, of Casey, who will move here and occupy the farms next spring.

The W. H. Wait farm of 163 acres southeast of Leon, to Walter Timmons, of Casey.

The John H. Ryan farm of 120 acres, north of Leon, to A. C. Scott, of Casey.

The J. S. Coffin farm known as the Arney farm north of Leon to A. C. Scott, of Casey.

The 240 acre farm near Redding, owned by E. O. Lovett to John Price, of Ellston.

The 138 acres near Pleasanton, owned by Paul Scott, to J. E. Vail of Garden Grove.

100 acres of the Jid Wasson farm near Lineville to Bardwell Bros., of Princeton, Mo.

280 acres in Clarke county to B. F. Burwinkle, of Des Moines.

Visited Camp Dodge.

The Reporter editor visited Camp Dodge at Des Moines for the first time last Sunday, and the magnitude of the camp was way beyond our expectations. It is like hunting a needle in a hay stack to find any of our boys unless you know their company and regiment, and we only got to see three of the Decatur county boys Sunday afternoon, as most of them were in the city attending the reception at the Hoyt Sherman Place. We finally located the 339th Field Artillery Barracks and found Bob Scott the only man in the big building we knew, later locating Robert Pullen, and they escorted us to headquarters, where Corporal Ralph L. Rumley, was just getting off from post guard duty of twenty-four hours. They told us all the Decatur county boys were well, and all seem to enjoy army life. We were taken through their kitchen, dining room and sleeping quarters, and everything was neat and clean, and the boys certainly have plenty to eat and it is good food. Elsewhere in this issue we publish where the Decatur county boys are located, and if you contemplate a visit to Camp Dodge, it will be well for you to cut it out and take it with you, for it will be of great assistance in finding your friends.

Transferred from Camp Dodge to Deming, New Mexico.

Several of our Decatur county boys who have been at Camp Dodge, were transferred last week to the camp at Deming, New Mexico, among them being William Connor, John Akes, I. E. Martin and Alva Johnson, and probably others whose names we did not learn.

Sweaters for the whole family at G. B. Price's.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

As Taken from the Office of the Leon Loan and Abstract Co. for the Month of October—Reported by W. A. Poush.

Willie Warrick to Peter Westervelt, 40 acres in Richland twp $1000.

Peter Westervelt to Joseph Millstead, 40 acres in Richland twp $2400

M. E. Bozarth to T. H. Price, 30 acres in Hamilton twp .....$1500.

G. W. Dunn to W. S. Richards 80 acres in Center twp .....$16000.

O. E. Shields et al to W. J. Beck, lots in Grand River .....$1200.

A. F. Place to Birdie A. Teale, 100 acres in Hamilton twp .....$8500.

D. E. and R. M. Millsap to Decatur County, strip for road for Decatur twp.....$250.

F.E. Garvin to Bert Stiles, 280 acres in Garden Grove twp $28000.

A. R. Horney to Wade & McMains, lots in Weldon .....$300.

S. M. Tddy to M. E. Garris, lots in Weldon .....$5250.

Adam Zika to F. G. Buchanan and F. Allen, 180 acres in Burrell twp.....$18000.

A. F. Place to D. E. Snyder, s½ of nw¼ and all nw sw 3-69-25 north of R. R.....$17500.

J. R. Puckett to P. G. and Mary A. Harris, lots in Van Wert .....$1600.

E. S. Shultz to N. A. Stickler, lots in Van Wert .....$1800.

A. H. Metier to J. I. and J. M. Wade, lots in Weldon .....$500.

Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints to Martha Oswell, lots in Lamoni .....$3400.

F. O. Carlson to W. A. Rumley, 80 acres in Woodland twp .....$6000.

E. L. Boord to J. H. Boord, 160 acres in Grand River twp ..$12000.

M. A. Lovett to O. L. Potts, lots in Garden Groev $3200

William Baker to W. J. Phipps, lots in Lamoni .....$650.

S. A. Honn to W. H. Snyder, 20 acres in Center twp .....$1300.

Forty More Men Called for Medical Examination in Decatur County.

Decatur county's quota under the first draft call was for 162 men, and double this number, 324 men, were called for medical examination. Under the first two contingents which have been sent to Camp Dodge, 74 men were sent, and four of these have been exempted since entering the service, which would leave 92 men yet to be furnished. The first two contingents represented 45 per cent of Decatur county's quota, leaving 55 per cent yet to be called. The third contingent has not yet been called to Camp Dodge, and the local exemption board does not know wheather it will be another 40 per cent or the balance of 55 per cent yet to go from this county. Deducting the names of those who have been exempted on account of physical disability, dependents and other causes, leaves them just 96 names from which 92 men are to be furnished, and as exemptions continue to be granted, the board decided to make a second call of forty more men, in order to have sufficient men on the list to supply the remaining quota, and the following have been notified to report at Leon today, Thursday, November 8th, at 9 o'clock a. m., for medical examination:

Charles E. Johnson, Leon.
Foster G. Hume, Leon.
Dennis Dean Gill, Garden Grove.
Ernest Elmore Manchester, Davis City.
Hallard Adley McBroom, Garden Grove.
Ray Millard Proudfoot, Weldon.
Frederick Manning Young, Grand River.
Guy Lewis McMorris, Leon.
William Harrison Fairchild, Leon.
Ira Monroe Foster, Grand River.
Forest Cole, Gran dRiver.
Ewlie Morise Evans, Weldon.
Roy Drury, Leon.
Gilbert Curtis Mossbarger, Garden Grove.
Clyde Burr Richardson, Leon.
Lawrence Earl Young, Garden Grove.
Walter E. Richey, Lamoni.
John Henry Franklin, Davis City.
Arthur F. Cave, Decatur.
George W. Coverdale, Grand River.
Jesse Royce Fuller, Weldon.
Roscoe Marvin Hamilton, Lineville.
Willis Nelson Donaldson, Decatur.
Artie Oral Hawk, Leon.
Henry Earl Petty, Lineville.
Earl W. Riley, Decatur.
Rolla Pearl Coontz, Woodland.
Casper Lee Wing, Van Wert.
Charles Allen South, De Kalb.
Charles Ellsworth Irwin, Lamoni.
Frederick Leslie Grimes, Leon.
Clarence Roberts, Decatur.
Frederick Leonard Condit, Lamoni.
Howard H. Coffin, Decatur.
Fred Nelson Goode, Lamoni.
Jesse Homan Pullen, Pleasanton.
Neal B. Hamilton, Woodland.
Claude Adair, Woodland.
Fred Leonard Hensley, Leroy.
Emory E. Martin, Lamoni.

A Pleasant Surprise.

Last Sunday there was a pleasant surprise party at the home of W. T. Coons, two miles northeast of Leon. The Coons family and Mr. J. C. F. Givens, the father of Mrs. Coons, expect to leave soon for California to spend the winter, and a numoer of their relatives and friends planned a successful surprise dinner on them, and a most pleasant day was enjoyed by all present. Those in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Martin, of San Francisco, California, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. A. Biddison and son Martin, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Stewart and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Lorey and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wiley, Mr and Mrs. G. W. Dunn and three daughters, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Akes, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Biddison, Mr. and Mrs. M M. Palmer, J. H. Palmer and Walter Palmer.

Farm for Sale by Referee.

I will sell by the court's order the J. A. Scott farm at private sale, 240 acres, 2½ miles southwest of Weldon, Iowa, two story dwelling, bank barn, double corn crib, windmill—plenty of water. Land lays good and among the very best stock and grain farms in Decatur county.
This farm must be sold at once.
12-tf W. H. Snyder, referee, Leon, Ia.

Underwear for men who appreciate good quality, at G. B. Price's.

TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

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

The election last Thursday resulted in Grover Cleveland being elected as president of the United States.

The following marriage licenses were issued the past week:

Robert McCartney 23, to Catherine Still, 17.

Fred S. Ticknor, 37, to Alice Brothers, 19.

Freeley Beavers, 22, to Maude Stephens, 20.

Last Monday Dr. A. Brown was busy inviting his friends to be up town Wednesday afternoon and see Wm. A. McIntosh, of Westerville, carry him around the square in payment of an election bet, the terms of which were that in case Harison was elected McIntosh was to carry Brown, and if Cleveland was elected then Brown was to carry McIntosh. Bill Al came down on the train Wednesday and proceeded to hunt Dr. up and demanded that he fulfill his part of the agreement, but up to the hour The Reporter went to press Dr. had not made good his part of the bet.

Sam Shaffner, son of county auditor, Charles P. Shaffner, was seriously if not fatally injured Thursday evening. He was at the Narrow Gauge depot when a freight came along. As there is a heavy grade, the train was not moving very fast and as the caboose passed he made an attempt to board it, but missed his footing, and did not get his feet on the step. This left him swinging by his left hand, and the weight of his body broke his hold and he was thrown to the ground, striking on his head and fracturing his skull. An operation was performed by Dr. Brown, and he has a chance to recover.

Mrs. Joseph Miller died at her home in this city Saturday and was buried in the Leon cemetery Sunday afternoon, the funeral being held at the Christian church.

Thomas Dillon, one of the best known farmers of this county, died at his home southeast of Leon Friday morning, and was buried in the Catholic cemetery at Woodland on Sunday.

Daniel Stearns, one of the oldest residents of Garden Grove, died at his home in that town Tuesday morning, his death resulting from a stroke of paralysis.

Court Still in Session.

Judge Maxwell is still holding court in this city, adjourning last Thursday afternoon until Monday evening, and court will probably adjourn for the term on Friday of this week.

The grand jury completed their work last Thursday and were discharged. Only one indictment was returned, and as the indicted party has not been placed under arrest, it cannot be made public.

The following cases have been disposed of since our report last week:

LAW AND EQUITY

L. S. Sutherlin vs. Nora Sutherlin Gatton et al. Tried to court. Decree of partition and order for sale of property.

H. A. Graves vs. Horace and Sadie Millsap. Tried to court, judgment for plaintiff in sum of $80.

Walter Beck et al., vs. T. L. Hembrey. Tried to court to be decided in vacation.

John Deere Plow Co. vs. P. E. Shirley et al. Judgment against Ed Flora and Flora & Shirley for amount of promissory note.

Flo Simmerman vs. Albert L. Simmerman. Decree of divorce.

Jesse Alley vs. Wm. Scott et al. Report of sale and deed to John F. Hacker approved.

Lelah O. Wells vs. Verne O. Wells. Decree of divorce.

PROBATE

Estate of Larkin McDaniel. On hearing the court finds that Larkin McDaniel, Andrew McDaniel and Parmelia Capp are the children and heirs of Isaac McDaniel, who was a brother of Larkin McDaniel, and are entitled to one-fifth of the estate of Larkin McDaniel.

Estate of Jennie Roe. Final report approved, administrator discharged.

Estate of A. J. Lasley. Final report approved, administrator discharged.

Estate of Leon G. Luce. Petition to sell real estate set for hearing at Osceola on Nov. 20th.

Estate of Daniel Jones. Foreign will probated.

Guardianship of A. E. Woodard. Guardian required to answer petition on or before Nov. 6th.

Guardianship of David A. Dancer. Final report approved, guardian discharged.

An Old Timer Back on a Visit.

We enjoyed a visit yesterday morning from an old time resident of Leon, and a brother editor, Mr. B. Frank Knapp, of Fitzgerald, Georgia, who arrived in Leon Tuesday noon to visit his sister Mrs. Mary Craigo, and many old time friends here. Mr. Knapp was for many years a resident of Leon in the early days, but had not been here for twenty-five years. He was a member of Capt. J. D. Brown's company in the Third Iowa Cavalry, and Tuesday evening a number of his old comrades called at the Craigo home to visit him. Mr. Knapp's wife died at Fitzgerald on last Thursday, and he brought her body to Des Moines for burial by the side of their infant son. Mr. Knapp has only one child now living, a son who resides in California, and he expects to close up his business affairs at Fitzgerald and go to California to make his home with his son.

P. E. O.'s Are Patriotic.

The ladies of Chapter W. of the P. E. O. society are truly patriotic. At their last regular meeting they voted to invest $50 of the society's fund in a Second Liberty Loan bond. They have also adopted the plan of devoting a part of each meeting to Red Cross work. We believe this is the first organization of Leon ladies to buy Liberty Loan bonds.

Big Type Poland China Boars.

We have a few extra good spring and fall boars, the Big Type kind, for sale. Manchester Bros., Leon, Iowa.

AT THE IDLE HOUR THEATRE.

Good Program of Attractions for the Coming Week.

Clara Kimball Young comes to the Idle Hour today, Thursday, Nov. 8, in her tremendous success, "The Easiest Way." Miss Young makes the greatest triumph of her life in this production which is pronounced everywhere a greater picture than "The Common Law." Owing to the high rental that the Idle Hour must pay for this picture the admission will be 10 and 15 cents. Special matinee at 3 o'clock. First night show at 7:30.

Jack Pickford, the clever brother of Mary Pickford, comes to the Idle Hour tomorrow, Friday, Nov. 9th, in "The Dummy," a Paramount picture of super quality. Jack Pickford will delight you in this splendid picture. The admission is 5 and 10 cents.

Saturday, Nov. 10th, will be a big day. A specially selected program is now being arranged for that day. Matinee at 3 o'clock and first night show at 7:30. Admission both afternoon and night 5 and 10 cents.

Monday George Beban, one of the world's greatest actors, comes to the Idle Hour in "The Bond Between," a picture that is adding more laurels to the record and reputation of this finest character actor. George Beban is popular with Leon theatre goers and large audiences will without doubt see all performances of "The Bond Between," next Monday. Admission 5 and 10 cents.

The noted actor, William Collier, comes to the Idle Hour theatre, Nov. 13, in "The Bugle Call," a Triangle production of high quality. This picture is a powerful production. Thos. H. Ince, the man who made "Civilization," directed and produced "The Bugle Call," which is in itself a guarantee of the highest possible quality. In addition to the above Triangle feature, the two reel Keystone comedy, "The Love Comet," will be shown, making a seven reel show. The Keystone comedies are the best that can be obtained. Admission 5 and 10 cents.

A one cent war tax must be paid by each person purchasing a ticket in addition to the regular admission price. When the admission is 15 cents two cents war tax must be paid.

Soldier Boys Enjoyed Treat.

The Decatur county soldier boys who are stationed at Camp Dodge enjoyed a feast of good things to eat last Sunday afternoon, the ladies of Leon and vicinity having sent up a big supply of candy, cakes and other good things, the reception being held at the Hoyt Sherman Place, and all the Decatur county boys except those detained at Camp Dodge on account of being on duty, were in attendance. We have received the following note of appreciation from the boys:

Editor Reporter—The Decatur county soldier boys from Camp Dodge who enjoyed the fine treat of goodies sent by the home women to be used at the reception in honor of the boys at Hoyt Sherman Place yesterday afternoon requested me to write you their thanks and appreciation. The affair was a success and if the home folks could all have seen the boys, as a few of us did, each marching out of the big reception room, by the side of a pretty Des Moines girl, to the dining room where the girls served plates for their escorts and themselves and then sat and ate with them, they who helped with the preparation of the feast would have felt well repaid. A few of the boys were on duty and unable to attend but there were quantities of the dainties left and these were to be sent out to the camp in care of Corporal Barry who promised to see that every one had a liberal share.

There was plenty of music, piano, Victrola and general singing and a jolly good time for all. Mrs. Hillis, who managed the reception is to be congratulated and she says she wishes other counties would follow the example of Decatur county in giving their soldier boys a touch of home life.

Mrs. A. L. Curry.

Richards—Bethards.

On Friday, Nov. 2nd, 1917, at the court house in Corydon, Iowa, occurred the marriage of Mr. Loren N. Richards to Miss Winnie M. Bethards J. A. Sinclair, justice of the peace, officiating.

Mr. Richards is a prominent young farmer of Woodland township, and his bride is the accomplished daughter of A. P. Bethards of the same locality. Both parties are among the most popular of Woodland township's social circle, and their many friends extend congratulations.

$2.00 AFTER JANUARY 1, 1918

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