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HEAR FROM THEIR SON

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Lemley at Last Receive Word from Harry, who was Badly Wounded Nov. 5.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Lemley, of this city, were overjoyed last Tuesday morning when they received a card from their son Harry, who was reported severely wounded on Nov. 5th, just a few days before the armistice was signed.

All-Star Cast Seen in "The Midnight Patrol."

Virtually an all-star cast is to be seen in the big special attraction, "The Midnight Patrol," which is announced for the Idle Hour Theatre, on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 3 and 4.

Newton McClarrinon.

Mr. Dixon A. Newton, of Davis City, and Miss Agnes McClarrinon, of Arlington, Iowa, were married at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Newton, at Davis City, on Christmas day.

Harley Webb Died at Creston Friday.

Harley Webb, the well known Leon auctioneer, died at Hotel Creston in Creston, at 1:30 o'clock Friday afternoon.

School Attendance.

All children under sixteen years of age who have not completed the eighth grade are compelled by law to attend school.

Harry Raymond Goes to Iowa City Commercial Club.

Harry Raymond, who was recently mustered out of service, has accepted a position as secretary of the Iowa City Commercial Club.

New Year Started Off Like Real Winter.

With the mercury down to 8 below zero yesterday morning, and quite a heavy fall of snow the night before, the New Year came in like real winter weather.

Notice.

Due to the shortage of teachers, a special examination will be held Tuesday and Wednesday, January 7 and 8.

Aberdeen Angus Sale Jan. 17th.

Jasper Record, G. L. Sage and W. H. Campbell will have a joint sale of pure bred Angus cattle on Friday, Jan. 17th.

Big Type Poland Chinas.

We have for sale a limited number of spring and weaning boars, spring gilts and brood sows, of our famous Big Type Poland Chinas.

THE CHURCHES.

Gospel Team Meeting.

The Gospel Team will meet Sunday at 3 p. m. at the M. E. church and we would like to have three members from each church present as the annual election of officers will be held at this meeting.

Crown Chapel.

On next Sunday there will be an all day anniversary meeting at Crown in commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the dedication of Crown Chapel which occurs this month.

Brethren Church.

Sunday school meets at 9:45 for preliminaries. The country attendants have issued a challenge to the town to beat them there on time.

Methodist Church.

Hours of services—Sunday school at 10:45; morning worship at 11. Epworth League at 6:30 and evening service at 7:30.

Presbyterian Church.

There used to be a joke about the attendance at Sunday school always being the largest on the Sunday just before Christmas, but that doesn't hold good with our Sunday school.

A Farm Paper Worth While.

Iowa has the honor of being the home of what is generally considered the most constructive farm paper published in the United States.

Dr Jaggard Return to Africa as Missionary Physician.

Dr. L. F. Jaggard, who has resided in Leon for nearly two years, departed Monday night for Chicago where he secures his passport and goes to St. John, Newfoundland.

C. M. Akes' Sale Date Changed.

On account of the death of his auctioneer, C. M. Akes has had to change the date of his pure bred Hereford cattle sale from the 17th to the 20th day of February.

Notice.

There will be a meeting of the members of the court house on Monday, Jan. 6, 1919, at 1 p. m.

THE HARVEST OF DEATH

The Grim Reaper Gathered in Many Decatur County Citizens During Closing Days of the Old Year.

John D. Bethard.

John D. Bethard was born Dec. 5, 1840, in Pickaway county, Ohio, and died Dec. 30, 1918, at his home in Leon, Iowa, after a sickness covering about 11 weeks, aged 78 years and 253 days.

He had been in fairly good health until this fall. For a little over five weeks he had been confined to his bed and passed over at 6:30 in the morning.

He came to Iowa in 1847, to Decatur county, and has resided here ever since.

Card of Thanks—We wish to express our sincere gratitude to all the friends who have so kindly helped and sympathized with us during these days of sorrow.

Mrs. John Muse.

Rebecca J. Stewart was born Jan. 20, 1849, in Harrison, Mo., and departed this life Dec. 29, 1918, at the age of 69 years, 11 months and 9 days.

In 1851 she came with her parents to Center township, near Leon, where she spent nearly all of her life.

Card of Thanks—We wish to express our sincere gratitude to all the friends who have so kindly helped and sympathized with us during these days of sorrow.

Lois Kathleen Graham.

Lois Kathleen Graham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Graham, was born near Pleasanton, Iowa, on March 18, 1913, and died at her home near Saline, Mo., of pneumonia following Spanish influenza, on December 10, 1918, at the age of 5 years, 9 months and 22 days.

Card of Thanks—We desire to express deep and sincere appreciation of the many kindnesses and the sympathy and help of neighbors and other friends during the illness and death of our beloved mother.

Walter Daughton.

Walter Daughton was born in Decatur county and departed this life in Grand River, Iowa, on Dec. 5, 1918, being 33 years old.

Card of Thanks—We desire to express our sincere thanks to all those who so kindly rendered assistance during the sickness, death and burial of our beloved son and brother.

Mr. and Mrs. James Daughton, and Children.

Richard D. Owens.

Richard D. Owens, son of Thomas and Ellen Owens, was born in Decatur county, Iowa, March 3, 1867, and died at Mercy hospital at Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 21, 1918, at the age of 51 years, 9 months and 18 days.

In 1901 he was married at Mercer, Mo., to Eliza Forsythe. To this union was born six children.

TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

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

Mrs. F. E. Neice received a telegram yesterday morning announcing the death of her father, Monroe Miller, at Caldwell, Kansas.

Lucinda Fruit Pray was born at Jeffersonville, Indiana, Aug. 14, 1847, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. P. Woodard, at Lamoni, Iowa, Dec. 24, 1918, being 70 years, 4 months and 10 days old.

She was married to Hezekiah Pray at Jeffersonville, Ind., in 1865, and moved with her husband to Decatur county, Iowa, in 1875, where she remained until her death.

Several changes were made at the Farmers & Traders Bank, January 1st. C. P. Finley, the bookkeeper, who has been with the bank since 1871, has decided to retire.

Monday afternoon Ed Kemp was accidentally shot in the calf of the leg, by a ball from a 22 calibre rifle in the hands of Virge Arney.

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Nancy A. Gunter.

Nancy A. Howard was born June 29, 1844, near Excelsior Springs, Mo., died at her home in south Leon, Iowa, Nov. 26, 1918, aged 75 years and 5 months.

She was married to John Gunter, July, 1862. To this union were born eight children, Anna J., William M., Laura O., Chas. A., Eddie A., Gertrude M., Cory M. and Christiana R. She united with the Christian church in Leon, Iowa, December, 1870, and lived a faithful Christian life.

Funeral services were conducted from her home, Wednesday, Nov. 27th, by Henry Esch. Interment was in Leon cemetery.

Harry Ray Sears.

Harry Ray Sears, the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Sears, was born in Center township, Decatur county, Iowa, on Feb. 6, 1890, and departed this life at his home in West Helena, Ark., Monday, Nov. 11, 1918, at 8:47 o'clock, of pneumonia following the flu, being at the time of his death, 28 years, 3 months and 5 days old.

He was a kind and loving young man, always ready to lend a helping hand to those who were in need.

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She leaves to mourn her departure, besides her parents, three sisters and one brother.

No whose waking is supremely blest, No fear, no woe shall dim that home Which manifest a Savior's power.

Card—We wish to thank those who were so kind to lend a helping hand through our trials in the illness and death of our daughter and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Graham and Family.

Sheriff's Sale.

By Virtue of an Execution, directed to me from the Clerk of the District Court of Decatur county, Iowa, on a judgment obtained in said Court, on the 10th day of December, 1918, in favor of Anna Maunest as Plaintiff, and against E. J. Sankey, Louis Harry Cohen, Samuel Cohen and Lena Cohen as Defendants, for the sum of Five Thousand Seven Hundred Eighteen and 56/100 dollars, \$5,718.56, attorney's fees and costs, taxed at \$26.25, and accruing costs, I have levied upon the following Real Estate, taken as the property of said Defendants, to satisfy said execution, to-wit:

SW 1/4 and West 1/2 of the SE 1/4 of Section 24, Township 63, Range 24, West 5th P. M. in Decatur county, Iowa.

And will offer the same for sale to the highest bidder for cash in hand, on the 11th day of January, A. D., 1919, in front of the Court House door in Leon, Iowa, at the hour of 10 o'clock A. M. of said day, when and where due attendance will be given by the undersigned.

Dated at Leon, Iowa, Dec. 11, 1918.

John A. Fulton, Sheriff of said county.

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

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All students report a Merry Christmas and are wishing all a Happy New Year.

The Christmas cantata given at the High School building Monday evening, Dec. 23, was quite well attended.

Felix Grogan, of Des Moines, visited High School Monday afternoon.

Lenna Smith has returned from Des Moines and is taking work in Mrs. Henderson's room.

Leonard Bain is absent from Mrs. Swisher's room.

Ted Smith has re-entered school. Eighth grade girls made candy for Gerald Stone who has been out of school on account of sickness.

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A Letter from Mrs. Lizzie Sloan

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