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SENATOR STOOKEY AD

Passed Away at His Home in Leon Wednesday Morning. Funeral Will be Friday Afternoon.

Senator Marion F. Stookey, who had been in a serious condition for several weeks, suffering from leakage of the heart, passed away at his home in this city yesterday morning at 1:30 o'clock. He was born in Indiana, March 19, 1846, being 73 years and 12 days old. He had been a resident of Leon for nearly fifty years, and he survived by his wife and one daughter, Mrs. Marion E. Wasson, of Des Moines. He had held many positions of honor, having served as mayor of Leon, county attorney, and represented this senatorial district in the 30th, 31st and 32nd General Assemblies. Funeral services will be held on Friday afternoon.

Left Their Booze and Money.

Sheriff John A. Fulton guessed that as the roads were getting in fair condition, the booze traffic would be starting up, he rambled down to Lamoni Sunday evening and out a couple of miles south just on suspicion that a booze car would be coming along, and he was right in his surmise. In Leon a court case was in sight, and when stopped by the sheriff was found to contain between five and six hundred pints of booze and three men, the driver giving his name as James Banning, and the others as Charles and Charles Fishman, all of Des Moines. The booze, car and men were brought to Leon, the three men being placed in jail. Monday evening Judge Fuller ordered a hearing, at which the fellows wanted a hearing, at once, and they all pleaded guilty to bootlegging. Banning being fined \$300 and costs, and the other two \$50 and costs. An injunction was issued against each of them, and the costs in this matter amounted to \$31 each, and the auto was ordered held until the fine and costs were paid. Tuesday the fellows dug up the money and paid into court the sum of \$512 and were released. They started ostensibly for Des Moines in their car Tuesday evening, but parties saw them hitting the high places on the Davis City road, and they probably went back to Missouri after another load of booze to make up for their loss.

New Lumber Firm.

A deal was closed last week in which Richardson & Crawford sold their Leon lumber yard and the real estate to Miner & Fries, who have a residence in this city which he retains. He did not care to sell, but being pressed to set a price on the yard did so, thinking he was high enough to prevent a sale, but Miner & Fries was a pretty good town, and took the yard at Mr. Richardson's figures. E. A. Miner, of Ridgeway, who recently returned from overseas service, will come to Leon as manager of the yard. He is a mighty fine young fellow, has a wife and child, and we extend to them a cordial welcome to Leon.

Mr. C. M. Richardson will remain on the farm for a few months and Clyde will devote his time to closing up the business of the old firm. Neither have made any definite plans for the future.

Harry Lemley Again Operated Upon.

Harry Lemley, who was so seriously injured by a German shrapnel in France on Oct. 22nd, and who recently spent a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Lemley in this city, after being sent to the general hospital at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, was again operated upon last Wednesday, his mother receiving a letter from him Tuesday, written by himself, in which he says he was doing fine. The same day Mrs. Lemley received a telegram from Dr. Bishman, reading "Condition of private Charles Lemley excellent. Bullet removed from brain last Wednesday. Will operate to close opening in skull Friday."

Lex Almost Seized by Poger Saw.

J. F. Hewson, a farmer residing on the old Dr. Hamilton farm near Blockley, met with a very serious accident while working with a power wood saw one day last week, in some manner falling against the saw, and his right leg was cut almost off just below the knee. His injury was dressed by Dr. Reed, of Davis City, and he was brought to the Leon hospital for treatment Monday, infection having developed and his condition is quite serious.

Captain C. H. Mitchell.

Word has been received that Dr. C. H. Mitchell who volunteered his services as a physician, was commissioned first lieutenant, was promoted to the rank of captain on March 4th, and is now stationed at Hal, Belgium, in a hospital of 250 beds, and in charge of a ward of 25 beds, and has made arrangements to engage in the banking business in the near future.

\$22.50 a Dozen for Chickens.

At the recent sale of C. M. Akes just south of Leon, Mrs. Akes sold several dozen Rock chickens at \$22.50 per dozen, which was the highest price ever paid for chickens at a public sale in Decatur county. W. S. Brannaman, of near Grand River, was the purchaser.

MANURE SPREADERS.

Three different kinds. All at standard makes. The season for their use is here. Special price for quick sales.

Bowser & Bowser.

MARCH BIRTH RECORD.

List of Births in Decatur County as Filed with Clerk Officer.

Boles, boy, Feb. 26, to Mr. and Mrs. Arba Ray Boles, Rickland township. Bartlett, girl, March 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Henry Bartlett, New Buda township. Boydell, Montgomery, Bardwell, boy, March 12, to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Boydell, Woodland township. Ernie Lee Bardwell, boy, March 16, to Mr. and Mrs. David Patrick Bardwell, Morgan township. Francis Merlin Cox, boy, Feb. 25, to Mr. and Mrs. H. Leroy Cox, High Point township. Ralph Loraine Caldwell, boy, Feb. 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Joseph Caldwell, Center township. Howard Mae Driskill, boy, March 23, to Mr. and Mrs. William Colbrein Driskill, Fayette township. Eva May Dunham, girl, Nov. 19, to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse James Dunham, Leon. Dorothy Marie Flynn, girl, March 6, to Mr. and Mrs. John Flynn, Woodland township. Ethel Mae Graham, girl, Feb. 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Franklin Graham, Leon. Howell, boy, March 26, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Howell, Leon. Leota Kost, girl, Feb. 17, to Mr. and Mrs. Ross Kost, Woodland township. Lysinger, girl, March 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Otis DeWalt Lysinger, Fayette township. Eva Marie Lumphier, girl, Feb. 24, to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond L. Lumphier, Leon. Emory Leo Martin, boy, March 13, to Mr. and Mrs. Leo R. Martin, Bloomington township. Dale P. Price, boy, Feb. 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wester Price, High Point township. Leo Charles Perry, boy, March 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ray Perry, New Buda township. Bessie Maxine Reynolds, girl, Feb. 27, to Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Perry Reynolds, Decatur township. Reed, girl, Feb. 6, to Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Evans Reed, Hamilton township. Rex Eugene Roberts, March 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Earl A. Roberts, Franklin township. William Russell Seymour, boy, March 23, to Mr. and Mrs. William Everett Seymour, Garden Grove township. Ann Wilson, girl, Feb. 4, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Wilson, Leon. Luella May Watson, girl, March 13, to Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis Watson, Garden Grove township. Virginia Eunice Watson, girl, March 18, to Mr. and Mrs. Guy J. Winslow, Garden Grove township.

Plead Guilty to Taking Parcels from Leon Post Office.

The case against Mrs. Myrtle Woodard, or Myrtle Spillman as she gave her name, was disposed of in the Federal Court at Creston last Thursday by her entering a plea of guilty, and she was sentenced to four months in jail for taking some parcel post packages addressed to Mrs. Roy Hines and Mrs. W. H. Akes from the Leon post office some time ago, and appropriating the articles of wearing apparel contained in the packages. The Creston Advertiser-Gazette, of last Thursday gives the following account of the case: Myrtle Woodard who was found guilty of taking parcel post packages out of the postoffice at Leon, Iowa, belonging to other people, the judge gave her four months. The court retains jurisdiction and was inclined to be lenient with her on account of her delicate condition. The U. S. attorney was instructed to communicate with her father and find out what kind of a home he was prepared to offer her and if he would look after her. The court wanted it understood that if he found that any of her statements were not truthful he would change his judgment in the case. The defendant claims to be only 19 years of age and three months pregnant.

Dr. Ralph Sears Promoted to Captain.

Miss Mollie Sears has received a letter from her nephew, Dr. Ralph Sears, who has been in France and Germany for some time, stating he was promoted to the rank of captain on February 26th, being stationed at that time at Heffingen, Luxembourg, the letter being written March 5th and was received by Miss Sears on March 26th. When war was declared Dr. Sears gave up his dental practice at Des Moines and volunteered, and his many friends in Leon are mighty glad to hear of his promotion to the rank of captain.

New Court Cases.

Myrtle B. Haefler vs. Henry M. Haefler. The parties were married Nov. 4, 1901, and lived together until November, 1917. Plaintiff who resides in Davis City asks for a decree of divorce on the grounds of cruel and inhuman treatment, and that she be awarded the custody of their minor daughter Helen. C. W. Hoffman attorney for plaintiff. Clyde Stephens vs. M. C. and Etta M. Newlin. Suit is on a promissory note on which there is due \$328.50. W. J. Springer attorney for plaintiff.

Inspected Masonic Lodge.

S. H. Amos, of Garden Grove, inspector for this district, visited the local Masonic lodge Tuesday evening, and made an official inspection. Mr. Amos is recognized as one of the best posted men on Masonic work in Iowa, and the Leon lodge passed a very creditable inspection. Mr. Amos goes to Mt. Ayr Friday to inspect the lodge at that place.

Re-Elected at Demolition at Increased Salary.

Miss Himena Hoffman, of this city, who has been principal of the Normal Training department of the Denison, Iowa, High School, for the past two years, has been re-elected for next year at \$145 per month, a very nice increase over what she has been receiving.

Marriage Licenses.

Wm. T. Wadley, Lamoni 47
May Cissna, Des Moines 28
Olelie Maria Poland, Leon 28
Forn Weldon, Grand River 20
Harold George Traupel, Van Wert 20
Forn Snyder, Van Wert 21

THE INCOME TAX MAN

Deputy Tax Collector McCormick Will be in Leon Until April 8th to Assist in Making Returns.

William McCormick, a deputy income tax collector, came to Leon Saturday, and has opened an office in the court house. He will remain in the court house until April 8th, and then goes to Lamoni from April 9th to 19th. While the time has passed for filing income tax returns, Mr. McCormick is here for the purpose of assisting persons who have been unable to make out their return, or who made a tax deposit and asked for time to file the completed return. Mr. McCormick informs us that he finds a great many farmers who have filed returns incorrectly, owing to a misunderstanding of the law. He has a complete line of all kinds of tax return blanks and will be glad to meet anyone who has not made their return or who wishes to verify the return they filed. Any farmer who filed his return on an inventory basis, including in his inventory the market value of stock of crops on the farm, or if he included the purchase price of stock purchased in 1917 (the sum of which he deducted in making his 1917 return) his return for 1918 is incorrect, and he should have it corrected. It will save a lot of people all kinds of trouble if they will bring in the copy of their return which they retained and have it examined and verified by Mr. McCormick.

Another Decatur County Soldier Awarded the Distinguished Service Cross.

Private William B. Spence, of Garden Grove, who when drafted was employed as linotype operator at the journal office in Leon, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for bravery in action, the highest honor which the United States can confer on a soldier. A short time ago Capt. Peterson, of Lamoni, was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for bravery in action, and now we have just a buck private, who has won this coveted honor. Will Spence is a quiet unassuming young man, but he was right there when the bugles sounded in action. The following letter received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Spence tells of what he is doing over there, and also a copy of the official order conferring the Distinguished Service Cross on him: "Dear Folks at Home: Will try and drop you a few lines this afternoon as I am off duty. So far we have not made any more moves but I have had my cross vet, but will give it in a few days. We had several in our company who got crosses. The whole 30th division is in camp here now. I was over to the 119th Inf. the other day and saw Martin Bevere who had come in from Lamoni. We were together at camp in one of the camps in the state quite a bit. His father lives on a farm northwest of Lamoni, you probably know them. He is a good fellow. I will probably see him with a bunch of the boys from the 30th division artillery recently and they asked me where I was from and when I told them I was from a boy in the bunch said he was Martin Bevere who had come in from Lamoni. Each camp goes home as a unit. All the Camp Dodge men will go together and all the other will go to the camps they first reported to. It is about time for mess so will close. Yours, Bill."

Headquarters, Co. M, 118 Inf., Feb. 23rd, 1919.

From the commanding officer to the commanding general, 30th Infantry, subject: Recommendation for award Service Cross, William B. No. 2162916, Co. M, 118 Infantry. Private William B. Spence, in company with private Robt. B. Bartley, No. 1312456, and Private William D. Leyland, No. 3168731, of the same organization were detailed as company runners near Camp Dodge, Iowa, when the company was advancing against the town on Oct. 17, 1918. There was a heavy fog which made the advance extremely difficult as well as dangerous. They delivered messages continually up and down the line, enabling the company commander to co-ordinate the effort of his platoons and materially assisting the company in reaching its objective and capturing the town.

Emergency address: Garden Grove, Iowa.

Eye witness: 1st Lieut. Howard E. Porter.

It is recommended that this soldier be awarded the Distinguished Service Cross. Peyton H. Hoge, Captain 118th Infantry.

Public Sale Saturday, April 5th.

All personal property of the late Joseph Hamilton, including all household goods, some farm implements and tools of all kinds, also nice lot of stove wood. One new Ford and one used car. Some good corn, and chickens. Sale starts at one o'clock sharp. Sale starts at 1 o'clock sharp. G. M. Hamilton, Administrator. McKern & Manchester, Auctioneers.

NEW SCHOOL LAW IN FORCE.

Members of County Board of Education to be Elected.

Under the provisions of a law recently passed by the general assembly of Iowa, a convention of school officers, such as is prescribed for the election of county superintendents, is to be held in Leon the Monday in April for the purpose of electing six members of the county board of education, three of whom shall be elected for a term of two years and three of whom shall be elected for a term of five years and every three years thereafter, three members shall be chosen for a term of six years.

The first Monday of April falls on the 7th of the month this year. Members elected to the county board of education must qualify within ten days after their election and their terms commence on May 1. The county superintendent of schools is, ex-officio, a member of the board and no member except the county superintendent is entitled to any compensation except an allowance of \$40 annually for actual expenses incurred.

Meetings are held by the board on the second Monday of August and February of each year in the office of the county superintendent. Other meetings can be held on the call of the county superintendent, or on the written request of three members filed with the county superintendent.

No member of the convention electing the members of the county board of education can be eligible for re-election to the board. Each member elected must be 21 years of age, a resident of the state for six months and the county for sixty days prior to their election or appointment and not more than one member, other than the county superintendent, can be from the same school corporation. Vacancies in the board are filled by the board until the next regular convention, after which vacancies shall be filled by the convention provided, however, if the members of the board shall be reduced below a quorum a convention shall be called by the county auditor. A majority of the board shall constitute a quorum.

This board shall perform all duties prescribed by law for the county board of education and on all matters referred to it by the county superintendent, the board shall act in an advisory capacity and shall cooperate with the county superintendent in formulating plans and regulations for the schools under the supervision of the county superintendent.

Celebrated Golden Wedding.

Sunday, March 30, 1919, being the 50th anniversary of the marriage of D. F. Snook and wife, living two miles north of Grand River, the faith church at Grand River, neighbors celebrated the occasion. David F. Snook and Margaret A. Greenland were married at Fairfield, Jefferson county, Iowa, March 30, 1869, by Rev. H. A. Axne. They moved immediately to a farm north of Fairfield where they resided until April 20, 1872, moving to Decatur county where they lived until March 10, 1873. They moved to Ringgold county, residing there until the year 1875. At this date they moved back to Decatur county and bought and moved onto the farm on which they now live, making a continuous residence for 44 years. To this union were born ten children, four being called in their youth to that better home, the other six are still living, most of whom were present to celebrate the occasion. Among the guests at the present were Mrs. Snook, daughter; Susan J. Greenland, of Grand River, who was present at the wedding 50 years ago. Others who were there being Mary Snook and sons Loring and Darwin; Joshua Robert, Harlan and Mary Greenland; Mrs. Becca Vanderpool and son, Clate; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Millstead, Rev. E. C. Vanderpool and daughter, Pauline; Mrs. Jim McGraw and daughters, Mrs. John and Gladys; and Mrs. Emmett McGraw and four children; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Shields and four children, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Bright, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Shields and sons Nelson and Elmer; Sam Bright, Raymond McGraw, Misses Della Brown, Ella Bright, Lucile Shields, Miss Brammer, J. M. Adams, Thomas Wookey and son Day.

Following are the names of the children of this union:

Forest F. Snook, Grand River; Mrs. Minnie D. Hayes, Isabel, South Dakota; Mrs. Laura M. Adams, Van Wert; Mrs. Jennie C. Bright, Denver, Colorado; Mrs. Robert O. Vanderpool, and Mrs. Alma R. Wookey, both of Grand River. There are ten grandchildren and one great grandchild.

The home was nicely decorated with flowers consisting of carnations and smilax. This day will be one long remembered, especially the noonday feast, which was generously partaken of by all, besides other useful gifts, with some gold coins. This couple have made many friends who join in wishing them many more happy years together.

O. E. S. Annual Inspection.

The annual inspection of Leon Chapter, O. E. S., was held in the Masonic hall Wednesday of March 26, by Mrs. Lucy B. Bullock, of Lorimer, Iowa, instructor for this district.

The school of instruction was held in the afternoon and the officers were thoroughly instructed in their duties. The initiation ceremonies were exemplified in the evening, both sessions being well attended. After the chapter closed, refreshments were served in the banquet hall, to over 70 members of the order, Mrs. Bullock is associate Grand Matron of Iowa and will be the next W. G. in 1920.

Visitors from neighboring chapters were Mrs. Fay Kyrmer, Mrs. W. A. Buck, Mrs. Fred Kyrmer, Mrs. Eva McGuire, Mrs. J. L. Caldwell, Mrs. F. D. Kyrmer, Mrs. Nannie McCulloch and Mr. and Mrs. Bert McCulloch, of Humeson; Mrs. Essa Coulter and Miss Gladys Young, of Pleasanton; and Mrs. Ray Whiteley, of Allerton.

Leon chapter was sweet sixteen the 4th of this last March; has 150 members.

TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

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

Capt. J. D. Brown returned last Thursday from Pine Ridge, S. D., where he took a shipment of horses and sold them to U. S. army officers stationed at Pine Ridge agency. He had a couple of extra fine saddlers and the balance were roadsters of course Capt. received a top price for them for they were all top notch horses.

Mr. William Faber, of Madison, Wisconsin, and Miss Aurelia Shafer were married at Charleston on March 28th.

The following marriage licenses were issued the past week: Willis Gibben 24 to Mary Swisher 26. Joseph E. Macy 42 to Mary E. Barrett 34. Theodore J. Smith 23 to Kate Sankey 21.

Mark Grimes, one of the most popular farmers ever in Leon, has returned from northern Iowa, and taken a position in Mayer's clothing store, where he will be pleased to meet all his friends. Mark is a pleasant gentleman and a number of salesman, and Mr. Mayer is fortunate in securing his services.

At a meeting of the Leon school board Monday evening Prof. Sam Darragh, of Davis City, was elected as superintendent of the Leon schools for the coming year at a salary of \$675, and Prof. J. M. Howell was re-elected as assistant at a salary of \$675.

E. B. McClelland departed Monday for Denver, Colorado, to visit his sister, Mrs. J. P. Hall. From Denver in company with Mrs. Hall he will visit the mid-winter fair at San Francisco, and other points of interest in California and other western states.

Harry Marvin and wife moved to Wayne county Tuesday, where he will farm the coming year.

Mr. Ed Macy and Miss Mary Barrett were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Barrett in Woodland township, on Sunday, April 1st, the ceremony being performed by Father Malone of Malloy.

Mr. J. Smith, of Lamoni, and Miss Kate Sankey, of Leon, were married at the home of the bride's parents in this city on Wednesday, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Geo. M. Hughes, pastor of the A. E. church in the presence of a number of friends. The newly married couple departed on the afternoon train for a few days visit in St. Joe, Mo., after which they will go to housekeeper on the groom's farm near Lamoni.

Ex-sheriff G. W. LaFollette came up from Ft. Madison Thursday, having been subpoenaed as a witness in the forgery case against Frank Beckler. He returned to his home on Monday to commence his duties as turkey at the state penitentiary. He has been acting as relief guard for the past month. He informs us the Decatur county prisoners were doing well. Old time prisoners were transferred to Anamosa, and Cross, the highwayman who was shot by James Wakefield, and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary, is a "trustee" in the chair shop.

John Perdue, who is working for the B. & M. R. R. at Lincoln, Neb., has been visiting his parents and old friends in this city since last Thursday.

Weldon-Foland.

A happy surprise occurred last Saturday evening, when after the close of the preaching service, at the brick church in Davis City, Orville F. Foland, of Leon, led Miss Fern Weldon, of Grand River, to the hymenal altar where they were met by Elder W. H. Hamilton, who with a few words chosen and pronounced them husband and wife.

These young people are well known in the surrounding communities, by both their social and religious qualities. Mr. Foland is another one of Uncle Sam's honorably discharged soldier boys, having just recently returned home from camp. He is a young minister in the Assembly of God, while his wife is a licensed worker in the footsteps of the Grim body of believers. They have planned to begin their life's work together in the gospel by joining the band of workers under the leadership of Elder and Mrs. Phillip M. Stokely, who are now engaged in series meetings at Knowlton, Iowa. Those accompanying the bridal couple to Davis City were Mr. and Mrs. Hammie Young, of Beaconsfield, also Miss Maud Weldon, a sister of the bride, acting as bridesmaid, and Mr. Gerald Hamilton, of Decatur, as best man. We join many friends in best wishes.

Leon Men Open New Clothing Store at Kellerton.

The Grimes-Grogan Clothing Co. opened a new store at Kellerton last Saturday, the proprietors being M. Grimes of the Grimes Clothing Co., of Leon, and Maurice Grogan, of Leon, who was recently mustered out of service with the rank of lieutenant. They have a fine stock of new clothing and furnishing goods, and the people of Kellerton and vicinity will find Maurice Grogan, who will be in charge of the new store, a welcome addition to the business interests of that town. There is not a finer young man in Decatur county, and he will make friends in his new home. Lawrence Quiett, who formerly conducted the Grimes-Quiett Clothing Co. at Kellerton until he was called to army service, has made arrangements to engage in the banking business in the near future.

Notice to Road Draggers.

All persons dragging the road in Woodland township will be furnished with 10 post cards by township clerk to be mailed to township clerk after each dragging. The township trustee will pay 60 cents per mile for ten times dragging and will pay each man an equal sum per mile for all times over ten draggings. All cards to be mailed and in hands of township clerk on or before Oct. 30th, 1919. No bills for dragging will be allowed unless the above rules are complied with.

Pearl Coates, Township Trustee.

38-1 By order of Township Trustee.

AT THE THEATRES.

Mary Pickford, Clara Kimball Young, Theda Bara and Other Big Stars Presented This Week.

At the New Theatre today, Thursday, April 3rd, Ethel Clayton in "The Girl Who Came Back," the laughable Mack Sennett Comedy "Ladies First," and the big Universal Current Events.

At the New Theatre Friday, April 4th, Mary Pickford in "Johanna Enlists," and the Ford Weekly.

At the New Theatre Saturday, April 5th, Mary Pickford in "Johanna Enlists," and the very popular Bray Pictograph.

At the Idle Hour Theatre Friday and Saturday, April 4th and 5th, the extra special attraction, Theda Bara in "Cleopatra," one of her greatest successes.

At the New Theatre Monday, April 7th, Madge Kennedy in "Day Dress," and the new feature "Vod-Vill" Movies which made such a hit this week.

At the New Theatre Tuesday, April 8th, Wallace Reid in "The Source," and the International News.

At the New Theatre Wednesday, April 9th, Clara Kimball Young in "Cheating Cheaters," and the big Holmes Travelogue.

Jurors for April Term of Court.

The trial jurors for the April term of the district court which convenes at Leon on Monday, April 21st, with Judge Winters presiding were drawn this week. At the last term of court Judge Evans made an order that forty jurors be drawn for the April term instead of the usual twenty-four, as in previous terms jury cases to be tried at the coming term of court. The jurors have been summoned to appear on Monday of the second week of court, April 28th at 1:30 o'clock. The following is a list of the trial jurors drawn:

- Akes, Don, Decatur.
- Akes, Robert, Eden.
- Abaugh, Ed J., Center.
- Benton, J. M., Burrell.
- Britt, Geo. B., Fayette.
- Baker, John, Grand River.
- Cox, Charley, Burrell.
- Cartwright, C. E., High Point.
- Cummings, W. J., New Buda.
- Cummings, C. G., New Buda.
- Cambell, E. B., Woodland.
- Feldhahn, Frank, Fayette.
- Fulton, A. J., Eden.
- Farmer, R. L., Decatur.
- Gould, Clyde, Long Creek.
- Hazen, William, Fayette.
- Havens, G. A., Decatur.
- Havens, Roy R., Decatur.
- Hukill, S. H., Richland.
- Hackley, G. W., Garden Grove.
- Ingram, C. L., Center.
- Kenton, E. B., Morgan.
- Lamorne, P. S., Long Creek.
- Monroe, Carl, Leon 3rd.
- Millsap, C. E., Decatur.
- McKean, Fred, High Point.
- Morris, Fred, Fayette.
- Prall, W. E., Fayette.
- Potish, H. L., Hamilton.
- Roberts, C. C., Leon.
- Reed, M. E., Hamilton.
- Rosengrant, F. M., Garden Grove.
- Stearns, E. O., Long Creek.
- Sanders, T. R., Leon.
- Sutherland, M. W., Garden Grove.
- Snyder, J. R., Richland.
- Teale, R. M., Leon.
- Williams, Edna, Burrell.
- Ward, Frank, Decatur.
- Worden, Newman, Franklin.

Price of Horses Will Increase.

Mr. W. E. Truman, of Truman's Pioneer Stud Farm, Bushnell, Illinois, who is in the city on business, has received word that his firm has been asked to accept a contract for the purchase of commercial horses for the English market.

Mr. Truman says he knows of similar contracts being made with a number of other big firms throughout the country, and who are only waiting advice from the different steamship companies that available space can be secured before commencing buying. Mr. Truman thinks there will be an unprecedented trade for all classes of horses in England, France and Italy demand different types, it is only fair to surmise that when this army of buyers enter the American market we may expect to see a great rise in the price of horses. A peculiar situation exists, not only has the ravages of war diminished our stocks, but the failure to keep on breeding has produced a condition that will take years to overcome.

Sells 170 Head Fat Cattle.

Otis Delsher, stock feeder and farmer, of Woodland township, sold 170 head of fat cattle to buyers at Garden Grove which were delivered to them at that place last Friday. The cattle were all fattened upon Otis Delsher's farm in a township and are said to have been a fine bunch of steers averaging 1071 pounds for which he received \$15.65 per cwt., and if the report is correct it would indicate the steers averaged in dollars and cents something over \$187 per head and the total a little over \$27,000.—Lincolnville Tribune.

Traupel-Snyder.

Mr. Harold George Traupel and Miss Snyder, two popular young people of Van Wert, were married by Justice John Woldman at his home in Leon Monday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Traupel will make their home on a farm near Van Wert, and many friends extend hearty congratulations and wish them happiness and prosperity.

Decatur City.

Mr. Earl W. Riley has been appointed representative of the Leon Laundry Co. and French Dry Cleaners, agency headquarters at post office.

Weldon.

All laundry agency work has been turned over to G. W. Fuller, barber who is now representing the Leon Laundry Co., French Dry Cleaners, agency headquarters at barber shop.

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