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JOHN COWL'S RECORD

Mrs. F. S. Stewart Receives Letter and Medal Awarded Her Brother John Cowl, Killed in France.

Mrs. F. S. Stewart on Monday received a pleasing surprise and one which she treasures greatly, a letter from Franklin Miller of 33rd Co., 6th Regiment U. S. Marines, a close companion of her brother John Cowl, who died at Base Hospital No. 15, in France on July 16th, from wounds received at the battle of Belleau Wood on June 6th. It bears the first authentic information as to how her brother was wounded. With the letter was a big French map, on which was traced just where John Cowl traveled in France, the engagements he participated in, the spot where he is buried, and a copy of his official record, together with the Victory Medal Ribbon and Bronze Star Battle Clasp attached, to which he was entitled, but was never permitted to wear. The record shows he was a member of 33rd Co., 6th Reg. U. S. Marines, landed at Brest on Nov. 19, 1917, went to Chaumont la Ville where he took intensive training until March 14th. He arrived at the Verdun sector March 15th, where he had his first experience in front line trenches, and remained there until May 13th when he was sent to Vitry le Francois for rest. He was sent to Montigny May 22 where he remained until May 20th, Memorial day, when in response to an urgent call from the Marshal of France for troops to check the rapid advance of the Germans on the Meuse, he had extreme hard fighting from June 1st to 6th, when John received machine gun wounds which caused his death on July 16th.

On the day John was wounded he had started with seven comrades to go for water for the fighting was severe, and when the squad returned they said John had been wounded in the leg by a fragment of shell, and his leg broken. The writer said John was one of the most popular men in the company, always doing something to keep his comrades in the best of spirits. Two pictures showing John with a group of comrades, one of them taken in the trenches just outside of Hedonnes, were also enclosed, and the map shows where he was laid to rest at Chaumont, cemetery No. 10, plot B, grave No. 15.

Accompanying the letter from his comrade were also letters of condolence and praise for the brave Marine who made the supreme sacrifice from his major, George A. Stowell, his chaplain Edward S. Currie, captain Alfred H. Noble, lieutenant William A. Zook, sergeant Martin G. Justice, and corporal Alton Pughman, all of whom spoke of him as a general favorite in his company.

Some Big Land Dealings.

C. M. Akes, the big real estate man of Leon, has been pretty busy the past week, closing up the deals by which he becomes the owner of 1822 acres. He has bought over 925 acres of Decatur county farm lands owned by the Casey Land Co., of Casey, Iowa, and in addition to these holdings has bought the Painter farm of 200 acres, the Reed & Graham farm of 210 acres, the Ode Dale farm of 160 acres and the Everett Dale farm of 200 acres, a total of 1822 acres. He bought all of these fine farms worth the money and he is going to sell them at a good profit, but does not remain long in C. M. Akes' hand, for he believes in moving things and he is one of the best judges of land values in Iowa. We hope Charley makes a big fortune, for he has more than a quarter of a million dollars invested now in these lands. That's some business we should say, but there is no proposition too big for C. M. Akes.

Autos Crashed at Turn.

Two autos were badly damaged, and several people cut and bruised when a Ford car occupied by three workmen for the Iowa Telephone Co. at Osceola, and a big Chevrolet touring car driven by a traveling man from Milwaukee, enroute in company with his wife to Kansas City, met at the corner nine miles north of Leon, in the Jefferson Highway last Saturday evening. The hedge fence obscuring the approaching cars and they met head on. All of the occupants were cut by broken glass and bruised, one of the telephone men being thrown clear through the windshield, but none were seriously injured, a tourist doctor accompanied by two nurses coming along and rendering first aid to the injured.

Leon Oil Men Strike Second Well.

A message was received in Leon last Thursday from field manager Zell Robinson, of the Pioneer Oil Co., which was organized and controlled by a group of Leon men, saying a second well had been brought in on their land near Bartlesville, Okla., which was twice as strong as the first well drilled, and a second message stated they were even better than the first report. Preparations are being made to install the pumping machinery on the two wells which have been drilled and the drillers will start on a third well as soon as they get the second well cleaned out. Every body here is hoping the venture will make oil magnates of all the Leon men interested in the company.

Aeroplane Coming.

The folks of this county will have an opportunity to see an aeroplane at close range, when Lieut. Neilson fills his appointment at the local Chautauque on Friday of next week. When the exact hour of his arrival is known a line call will be sent out so the folks can come in and see him come down to earth. Everyone should take advantage of this opportunity to see the plane and hear the aviator.

Leon 6-Humeston 2.

Leon defeated the fast Humeston ball team on the Leon ground last Sunday, although Humeston came tumbled to win. Dennis was in the box for Humeston for six innings, and was then replaced by Palmer, the score being 6 to 2 in favor of Leon. Semple and Butcher were the pitchers for Leon.

'Tis Some Egg.

Decatur county may lead the world with jack rabbits, blue grass, pumpkins, etc., but when it comes to real honest-to-god hen eggs we think we draw the blue ribbon. Just listen to this: Ed Cook, of east of Melrose, brought to the Record office one day last week a hen egg which weighed 7 ounces, which is equal to the weight of five ordinary eggs. It measured 3 1/2 inches by 1 1/2 inches. Never before did we see such a monstrous egg and we venture that even Decatur county will have to admit it is "some egg."—Melrose Record.

H. O. Penick, of New Orleans, Louisiana, a boyhood schoolmate of The Reporter editor, passed through Leon Sunday with an auto outfit which attracted considerable attention. He had two Ford trucks, one of which he built special modes, very large as a small house, and equipped for comfort, having beds, refrigerator, gas stove and all conveniences for camp life. He had a companion Mr. Kendall, of Mansfield, Louisiana, and two colored chauffeurs, and was enroute to his former home at Chariton, where his family has preceded him by train for a visit, and from there they will go away up in Canada for the balance of the summer, driving the trucks back into this fall as far as Chariton, where he has a summer home in the woods south of that city, and leave them there for the winter. Mr. Penick is a prominent business man of New Orleans, but has decided to retire now from active work, and says he expects to spend a good portion of his time just roaming around over the country, where his fancy takes him.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Wallace, of near Chariton, visited a few days in Leon the latter part of last week at the home of his sister, Mrs. Ira B. Officer. Mr. Wallace is one of the pioneers of Lucas county, and we enjoyed a pleasant visit from him last Friday. He is somewhat of an editor, as commencing way back in 1864 he commenced writing a newspaper which he called the Wheatland Rural, which he later changed to the Otter Valley Times, and continues to write it each week until 1895. He wrote it with pen and ink, and recorded all of the local events in his neighborhood, and has frequently been called upon to verify dates which were in dispute. The paper are models of neatness, the paper being of good quality, and the ink was much better than present day ink, being still bright and clear. We especially enjoyed looking over some copies as the names of many persons appeared with whom we were familiar when we were a boy living at Chariton, forty years ago.

Ross Cronin, who came home recently on a little furlough and who is a wireless operator on one of the battleships says he had quite a trip over France on their last voyage to Europe. He was in Paris, went up to the old battle front, passed through Chateau Thierry, was at Rheims and saw the great work which the Germans nearly destroyed. He says they had a lot of German prisoners cleaning out the rubbish, it being quite dangerous work. Ross also mentioned taking a radio message sent from one of the aeroplanes which recently crossed the ocean, the message being sent to the captain of his ship.—Garden Grove Express.

Dr. C. H. Mitchell and wife, who had been visiting at the home of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. Mitchell, at Grand River, since Dr. returned from overseas service, came Thursday evening for a short visit in this city. Dr. Mitchell going to Camp Dodge Friday morning where he was mustered out of service. They expect to return to Leon soon to make their home again, and Dr. Mitchell is planning on resuming his practice at his old office about August 15th.

Miss May Caster arrived last Wednesday from Ulysses, Neb., to spend a two weeks vacation from her duties with the Minges Evangelical church, Wyoming, where they were at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Caster and many friends in this city. Miss Caster has been with this company for a number of years, traveling over a large part of the United States and will again take the work at the close of her vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Garber and daughter Miss Wilma, of Franklin township, started Monday afternoon for Cheyenne, Wyoming, where they will visit for a few weeks at the home of their son, Ed Garber and family, and will also visit at numerous other places. Mrs. L. D. Garber, of Center township, accompanied them as far as Pine Bluff, Wyoming, where she will visit a few weeks with relatives.

E. D. Bean, of Clarinda, who formerly resided in Leon, being the operator at the Idle Hour Theatre in this city, came Friday evening for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Worley and other friends in this city. "Beany" spent some months in France, but returned home a few weeks ago.

E. J. Sankey buys and sells land on commission, makes farm loans on approved security at the best rates, and does a general real estate business. Has had 20 years' experience in the business. Office upstairs at northwest corner of Main and Commercial streets, Leon, Iowa.

Farms Wanted. I will buy several farms in Decatur county. See me if you want to sell worth the money. C. M. Akes. 2514

JULY BIRTH RECORD

Twenty-five Birth Certificates were Filed with Clerk Ira B. Officer During the Month of July.

Paul Eugene Adair, boy, June 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Guy Adair, Woodland township. Finley David Atherton, boy, June 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Atherton, Long Creek township. Clara Evaline Akers, girl, June 23, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wiley Akers, Grand River township. Ellen Genevieve Byerly, girl, June 2 to Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Byerly, Long Creek township. Lurena Pearl Beurstock, girl, July 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Beurstock, Fayette township. Edward Dewey, boy, July 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Vern L. Baker, Eden township. David Marion Cox, boy, June 4, to Mr. and Mrs. Demerise Valentine Cox, Long Creek township. Dayton Pearl Clark, boy, July 23, to Mr. and Mrs. Clive Edward Clark, Garden Grove township. Terrance Arlan Dorsey, boy, July 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Clarke Dorsey, High Point township. Roy Edward Dewey, boy, July 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde M. Devore, Long Creek township. Elizabeth Nadine Fenton, girl, July 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McMurry Fenton, Morgan township. Robert Githens, girl, July 1, to Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Githens, Decatur township. Lelah May Gill, girl, July 15, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy J. Gill, Woodland township. Chester W. Lionberger, boy, July 19, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Lionberger, Center township. Madaline Loretta McBroom, girl, July 3, to Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Dennis McBroom, Garden Grove township. Lora Nadine McClain, girl, July 8, to Mr. and Mrs. John Lafayette McClain, Leon. Omer, boy, July 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Omer, New Bud township. Charles Elain Smith, boy, June 15, to Mr. and Mrs. James Oral Smith, Woodland township. Grace Lorena Smith, girl, July 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Art H. Smith, Fayette township. Elizabeth Jean Townsend, girl, Mr. and Mrs. J. and Mrs. Fred A. Townsend, Leon. Doris Irene Varnum, girl, June 23, to Mr. and Mrs. Sam C. Varnum, Center township. Vandel, girl, July 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Vandel, Eden township. Vandel, girl, July 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Vandel, Eden township. Roberta Ree White, girl, July 20, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Dewey White, Eden township. William Herald Waller, boy, July 29, to Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas Waller, High Point township.

At the residence of the bride's father J. W. Burrell, in Davis City, at 11 a. m., Saturday, August 2, 1919, Mr. William W. Benjamin of Albia, and Miss Nelle S. Burrell, youngest daughter of J. W. Burrell, were united in marriage.

Miss Burrell was born and raised in Davis City and for more than 8 years was one of the operators at the telephone switchboard in Davis City, and during all that time never had a vacation of more than one or two days, and by her prompt attention to the duties of her position and her kind and accommodating disposition won the respect of the patrons of the switchboard, as well as the business public, and the best and most popular of friends go with her in her new life and new home. Mr. Benjamin is a successful traveling salesman for Hammill & Co., wholesale grocers of Keokuk, Iowa, and has been making this trip regularly every two weeks for several years and by his uprightness and careful and painstaking business has made a host of friends among the business houses with which he has dealt, as well as those whose acquaintance he has formed.

The marriage was solemnized at the Burrell home by Geo. P. Campbell in the presence of a few friends and the immediate family of the bride and the father of the groom. Mr. Benjamin, of near Ft. Madison, Iowa.

The couple received a number of telegrams of congratulations from different friends at a distance, and some from the wholesale house with which Mr. Benjamin is connected; they also received a number of valuable presents from friends here and elsewhere. They drove to Leon after the ceremony and took the train at that station to get away from the town where they were prepared with a quantity of gifts and old shoes with which they intended to give them a jolly send off, but when they learned that the couple had slipped away to Leon by auto, they boarded the afternoon train and went to Leon and when the newly married couple came out to get on the train they were met by the crowd from Davis City and got the rousing, etc., just the same.

Mr. Benjamin had bought a nice new property and had it all fitted up in a modern way, and he had furnished it with a number of valuable furnishings, and took his bride into their new home at once in Albia, Iowa, which will be their future home.

The good wishes for their future happiness from their host of friends here accompany them to their new home.

Collings Wins Wrestling Match.

Frank Collings, a former resident of Leon, who moved to Princeton, Mo., about a year ago, has developed into a real wrestler according to the following account of a wrestling match at Princeton last week. The Princeton Telegram says: "Nearly every seat in the opera house was filled last Tuesday night when time was called in the wrestling match between Frank Collings, the Princeton tonorial artist, and Charles Simpson of Des Moines. The men were about evenly matched in size and went to the mat shortly after time was called with Collings behind. After four minutes of fast wrestling the most of the time in which Collings was on top and a crowd of spectators held and put the shoulders of his opponent to the mat. The second fall just lasted four minutes also and was won by Mr. Simpson with a full nelson. In this fall Collings seemed to have a much advantage. Collings seemed to have considerable more speed than Simpson but was not in as good condition having had only a short time to train in. In the last and deciding fall the men were each on top at different times. At one time Collings secured a full nelson and lifted his adversary off the floor two different times but was unable to pin his shoulders to the mat with this hold. Simpson finally succeeded in breaking the hold and secured a head scissor on Collings and it looked as if the local man was about all in when he suddenly raised up and threw Simpson heavily to the floor and secured a head lock with which he pinned his shoulders to the mat for the deciding fall, the time being eleven minutes. The match was fast and clean throughout and those who attended were surprised at the skill and speed shown by Collings over men on the bottom he clung so close to the mat that his opponent had difficulty in securing any kind of a hold. Ira Herrington refereed the match and challenged the winner for a bout to be made at the same place on next Wednesday night, July 30th."

Struck by Auto.

James Crichton was quite painfully injured Saturday evening while crossing the street at the corner of Main and Commercial street, a Ford car making a quick turn and caught him, the axle of the car striking him on the legs and bruising them painfully, and he was thrown over the hood of the car, and the car stopped. We were unable to learn the name of the driver of the car.

Attorney Hawkins Injured.

Attorney Roy B. Hawkins, of Van Wert, who does a little farming as recreation and to make a living, met with a painful accident while assisting with the hay harvest on his farm near Van Wert last Friday, when he fell from a hay rack and fractured his right elbow. He came to Leon and had an X-Ray examination made of the injury, and will let the other fellows do the balance of the harvesting.

Billy Smith Died at Joplin, Mo.

Many old time friends of Billy Smith, years ago a popular resident of Leon, clerking for many years in the dry goods store of Joseph Hamilton, died at his home in Joplin, Mo., on Sunday, July 27th, and was buried at Joplin on Wednesday. He is survived by his son Walter, of Joplin, and one brother, R. B. Smith, of Wayne, Neb.

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AT THE THEATRES.

Program for the Coming Week at Idle Hour and New Theatres.

At the Idle Hour Thursday, August 7th, Wallace Reid in "Alias Mike Moran" and Screen Magazine. At the Idle Hour, Friday and Saturday, August 8th and 9th, Mary Pickford in "Captain Kidd Jr." Ford Weekly and Strand Comedy. At the New Theatre, Saturday, August 9th, Bryan Washburn in "Something to Marry." At the Idle Hour, Sunday, August 10th, Pauline Frederick in "One Week of Life." At the Idle Hour, Monday, August 11th, Dorothy Dalton in "Extravagance." At the Idle Hour, Tuesday, August 12th, Mitchell Lewis in "Calibre 38" and International News. At the Idle Hour Wednesday and Thursday, August 13th and 14th, Panda Hawley in the big special, "Famous Sinners," Bray Pictograph and Screen Magazine.

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TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

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

Yesterday morning a few minutes after 1 o'clock, Mrs. F. B. Niece discovered fire in Shields Bros. livery stable in the old M. E. church, and gave the alarm at once, but in an incredible short time the whole building was a mass of flames. Shields Bros. had taken their horses to pasture that evening, but a team, buggy and harness owned by J. N. Gates, and a horse, cart and harness owned by Thos. Cushing were burned, and a carriage owned by Shields Bros. The fire swept across the street east to the bus barn, and it became evident that rat row was doomed. The engine was soon throwing water but the flames swept everything before them. Craig's blacksmith shop, J. A. Harris' store, F. Layton's shoe store, Moad's candy store, Jenre's building occupied by Byron Hamilton's barber shop, Fulford's building owned by Mrs. M. J. Warner, the fire being stopped at the Forgrave brick building occupied by Horner's drug store and The Reporter office. Penniwell's carpenter shop, Parquhar's oil and gasoline warehouse and other small buildings were burned, the total loss being between \$9,000 and \$10,000. For a long time it looked as if The Reporter office was doomed, but we had a barrel of water in the office used to cool the engine, and although the roof was burned, the building stopped the fire, and The Reporter was issued the next day but under great difficulties. Hall & Co.'s produce house north of the square, Dave Corning's residence, the residence of A. B. Long, Marion Osborn and James Jarvin were all on fire at times, but vigilant work prevented them from burning. In most of the burned buildings the contents were saved, but in a damaged condition.

A big public well 60 feet deep and six and a half feet in diameter, is being dug at the opera house corner under the supervision of Joseph Hamilton. The town donated \$50 and Mr. Hamilton raised about \$50 on a subscription paper. John Sowers took the contract for digging the well at a dollar a foot.

Last evening at the home of N. F. Bullock Rev. F. Edwards performed a double wedding, the contracting parties being Mr. A. P. Johnson and Miss Maude Bullock, and Mr. Edward Tift and Miss Mattie Bullock. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will accompany the Bullock family to Oklahoma, and Mr. and Mrs. Tift will reside near Blythe, Mo.

C. E. Gardner severed his connection with the Exchange Bank as cashier on August 1st, having been cashier of the bank since its organization in 1885.

A horrible triple murder was committed at Chariton yesterday morning by the night baggageman, Jenkins, a young man about 30 years old, who shot Mrs. Murphy and her two daughters to death in their home across the street from the depot. Jenkins had been engaged to the youngest daughter and was very jealous. After killing the three women Jenkins turned the revolver on himself and committed suicide.

Miss LaNelle Hoffman went to Des Moines Tuesday night on a few days will accompany Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Truesdell on a visit to Wisconsin, from which place she returns to her position as trimmer in a millinery store at Fremont, Neb.

Frank Craig went to Davenport Saturday where he has secured employment in Egbert, Fidler & Chamber's printing house. J. H. Evans and Capt. J. D. Brown went to Des Moines yesterday to attend the Flag Day exercises.

Miss Edna Forrey, of Wilbur, Washington, is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Millard F. Stookley.

THE CHURCHES.

Presbyterian Church. The sermon subject for next Sunday morning will be "Keeping the Common Life." No evening service. Sunday school as usual.

Methodist Church. Sunday school next Sunday at 9:45. At 11 Mrs. Ruth Shumway will talk. Mrs. Shumway is here visiting relatives and friends. This will be a good chance to meet her. Let us give her a good audience.

Christian Church. All services at the usual hours—Preaching service following Sunday school hour. Also services in the evening.

A large crowd attended the Mothers and Daughters entertainment at the church Tuesday afternoon. One of the interesting features of the program was a talk by Miss Myrtle Quiet, who has just returned from overseas service as a Red Cross nurse.

Brethren Church. Sunday service—Sunday school at 9:45. Endeavor at 8 in the evening, both junior and senior. Preaching at 9. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 9 o'clock.

Saturday afternoon at 2:30 at the church the Sisters Society will hold their regular meeting. Be sure to bring your thank offering boxes.

On the same afternoon at 3:30 the Sisterhood girls will meet. Do not forget the sacrifice offering at this time.

A large attendance of both societies is desired at this time as this will be the last meeting before General conference.

ADDITIONAL PERSONA

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Willard and Mabel Stove Pleasanton, were in Leon this coming to meet their nephew, having been called here to attend the funeral of Mr. Ironside's brother, James Ironside.

Mrs. Barbara Alexander was called to Arnold's Park, Iowa, by a message announcing the death of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Sioux City, was very sick, with hopes for her recovery.

Mrs. M. Kirwin, who had been visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lew Gilliam, in this city, returned to her home in Des Moines Friday. Miss Gladys Gilliam got home with her for a visit.

Miss Jessica Pryor went to Chicago Tuesday where she will spend a couple of weeks inspecting the millinery styles and buying new and winter millinery for Kohl Pryor's store in this city.

Aniel Scull returned to his home at Chariton Tuesday after a visit to the home of his uncle, Sam Scull, in this city. Sam Scull, and Lucille Scull went home to him for a few days visit.

Misses Wilma and Frances Reath and brother Raymond, Yankton, N. D., arrived Friday a few weeks visit at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Woodard, in this city.

Mrs. S. H. Crowe and children, Wall Lake, and Mrs. S. Strickland and children, of Odebolt, returned to their homes Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Strickland and her children, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Wood, who with his family had been here for several weeks visiting with relatives, returned his duties at Washington, D. C., remaining here for a more extended visit.

Miss Elizabeth Daughton, who is a nurse in training at Mercy Hospital at Des Moines, arrived Friday evening for a few days visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Daughton, of just east of Leon.

Mrs. M. L. Crowe and children, Red Oak, who had been visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Crowe, of Leon, were in town Friday evening for a few days with relatives in this city.

Misses Lillie and Nellie Coe of Princeton, Mo., daughter of Frank Collings, formerly of Chariton, returned to their home at the home of C. O. Smith, other relatives in this city in this city the guest of Miss Helen VanWerden.

Mrs. Bert Parker and children, Mrs. Edna and Master Burton, Mendon, Mo., who are visiting at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. James Longacre, near Crown, went to Davis City Tuesday evening to visit a few days with friends.

Mrs. M. G. McGinnis, who is just recovering from this long and severe illness, departed Friday evening for Ohio, where he will spend a couple of weeks at the home of his sister, rest he has had for many years.

W. W. Tindall, S. D., Saturday after spending a few days in this city on business, closing the purchase of a stock of hardware at Tindall which he had previously sold to Mrs. Varga and other Leon parties.

Burriss Howell, who recently returned from overseas duty, and had been visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Howell in Des Moines, passed through Leon Monday evening, stopping at the City for a few days visit with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Varga and Mrs. F. M. Coder departed Saturday for Tindall, S. D., where Mr. Coder has been in charge of a store owned by Mr. Varga and other Leon parties, which they have disposed of, having acquired it in a real estate deal.

Mrs. M. A. DeKaib and daughter Mrs. Edna Sharp and Mrs. Rose Landis and daughter Miss Emmett left Tuesday for a month's visit, Maryland, visiting with relatives at Sharpsburg, and at the home of Mr. Sharp's daughter, Mrs. Leo H. Miller at Baltimore.

Carl McKinley, who has been in service overseas for some time, arrived in Leon Sunday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harmon McKinley. Carl has been discharged from the service, and is looking and feeling fine, but glad to be home again.