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COMMENCEMENT DAY

Class of Thirty will Receive Diplomas at the Presbyterian Church This (Thursday) Evening.

The forty-ninth annual commencement of the Leon High School will be held this evening at 8 o'clock at the Presbyterian church, when a fine class of thirty young men and ladies will receive their diplomas as having finished the High School course.

The following is the program of the evening: Selection, High School Orchestra. Quartet, "Venetian Carnival" by P. Ambrose. High School Girls. Invocation, Rev. A. E. Jervis. Salutory, Blanche Andrew. Reading, Ferne Estes. Mixed Chorus, "When Day Fades" by Parks.

Final Year-Meeting of the P. T. A. The last meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association for this year was called Monday evening, May 17th, in the High School assembly room.

Kellerton Horseshoe Throwers Issue Challenge.

Over at Kellerton they claim to have the champion horseshoe throwers in the United States, Frank Jackson and son George, and a number of the Kellerton sports have raised a purse of \$100 or more to bet that the Jacksons can win any two men in Iowa at the coming state fair.

Montana Bridal Couple Visit Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Moore Kohler, of Butte, Mont., spent a fortnight of their honeymoon in Seattle at the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Kohler and Mr. and Mrs. Marion A. Hughes, of the Stanley apartments.

Entertained School Board.

The young ladies of the Domestic Science class of the Leon High School entertained the members of the Leon school board and their wives at a six o'clock dinner served at the High School last Thursday evening.

Tullis-Pottorff.

The marriage of Miss Orpha Pottorff, of this city, and Mr. Loren V. Tullis, of Decatur City, took place Sunday, May 9, at ten o'clock a. m. at the home of T. S. Rhodes, the ceremony being performed by Mr. Rhodes.

Wrong Numbers of Stolen Ford.

On account of poor telephone service, a mistake was made in giving the numbers of J. A. Fisher's Ford which was stolen at Mercer, Mo., on Saturday evening, May 8th. It is a model 1917 touring car, engine No. 1964048, and the license was Iowa license for 1919, No. 332612. A reward of \$50 is offered for the recovery of the car. Notify J. A. Fisher, Lincolnton, Iowa.

ALUMNI BANQUET.

Alumni of Leon High School Held Annual Banquet Tuesday.

The annual banquet of the Alumni Association of the Leon High School was held at the M. E. church Tuesday evening, 125 guests being present and a delicious banquet was served by the Ladies Guild of the M. E. church, the dining room being appropriately decorated for the occasion.

The election of officers resulted in the selection of the following for the coming year: President—Ralph A. McGinnis. Vice President—Miss Dorothy Hull. Secretary—Mrs. E. E. Bell. Treasurer—Mrs. E. E. Bell.

Who Has Right of Way at Street or Road Intersections?

Who has the right of way when two autos are approaching a street intersection or an intersection on a country road?

That is a question which causes much discussion among drivers of the Iowa law on this subject is as follows: "Where two vehicles are approaching on any public street or highway so that their paths will intersect and there is danger of collision the vehicle approaching the other from the right shall have the right of way."

Band Gave First Concert Last Saturday.

The first of the Saturday evening band concerts for this season was given last Saturday evening by the Leon High School band, conducted by Prof. Thompson.

The Very Latest in Computing Scales.

Farquhar & Sons have installed the very latest thing in the way of computing scale at their hardware store. It is a Stimpson scale, and will weigh anything from a fraction of an ounce up to 400 pounds and a dial instantly shows how much the article weighed amounts to at any given price, an electric light illuminating the scale while the weighing is in progress.

Lots of War Saving Stamps Cashied.

Since April 7, 1919 up to May 14, 1520, \$48,339.17 worth of War Saving stamps had been cashied at the Leon postoffice. In round numbers about \$300,000 worth of War Saving stamps were bought by residents of Decatur county. In addition to the above amount cashied at the Leon postoffice, there have been a good many thousand dollars worth of stamps cashied at the Lamoni postoffice, so that approximately one-third of all the stamps bought in Decatur county have already been cashied.

Des Moines Train Changes Time.

A new time card goes into effect on the Burlington next Sunday and the only change in the time of any of the trains at Leon is that the early morning train to Des Moines leaves fifteen minutes earlier, leaving Leon at 6:20 in the morning instead of 6:35. Keep this in mind if you expect to take the early train next Monday morning.

Osceloa Plays Leon Next Sunday.

The ball game between Leon and Osceloa scheduled for last Sunday on the Leon grounds, had to be postponed on account of rain, but the teams will meet on the Leon grounds next Sunday afternoon. This is Leon's first game. Come out and give the boys a boost.

K. OF P. CONVENTION

Twenty-Sixth District Convention of Knights of Pythias Meets at Leon Thursday, May 27th.

The Knights of Pythias of the 26th district, comprising the counties of Decatur, Lucas, Clark, Appanoos and Wayne, will hold their annual convention at Leon on next Thursday, May 27th, and the members of Hesperia Lodge No. 33 of this city, are arranging to make a special gala day of the occasion. It is expected that more than 200 Knights from the various lodges in the district will be in attendance.

Praises Farquhar's Advertising.

The Hardware Age, of New York City, the leading hardware trade magazine in America, in its issue of May 13th, reproduces one of Farquhar & Sons hardware advertisements, which was recently printed in The Reporter, and comments on it as follows in their advertising department:

Take a look at the Farquhar & Sons ad and you'll see just what we mean by a bang-up combination ad. A combination ad hits the reader from a dozen different angles. The copy in the Farquhar ad is so readable and so convincing that Mr. Farquhar knows hardware and can write about it in an interesting way.

Tent Show Here All Next Week.

The Hila Morgan Stock Co., one of the best theatrical companies on the road, will open a week's engagement in Leon next Monday night, the opening play being "The Brat," the play which was recently made famous by the great moving picture star, Nazimova. The company will present a different play each evening, and on Monday night ladies will be admitted free except for the payment of the 3 cents war tax. High class vaudeville between acts. The company has a fine new tent equipped with comfortable seats and a small auditorium, and the general admission is children 9 cents war tax 1 cent, total 10 cents. Adults, 22 cents, war tax 3 cents, total 25 cents.

County Stops Concrete Work.

One of the county concrete gangs was laid off Saturday by order of the board of supervisors, and the other two gangs were consolidated and will be used to complete some of the road work and to do later repair work, but no new concrete work will be commenced on the roads. The board decided on this step on account of a shortage of funds, and the difficulty of selling concrete at the present price. The amount of concrete bridge and culvert work which the county was compelled to do on the federal aid road projects between Leon and Lamoni have made a big hole in the funds available, and the board decided not to commence any more work at present.

Candidates for Township Offices Must File This Week.

Candidates for the various township offices to be voted on at the coming primary election on June 7th, must file their nomination papers with auditor Frank J. Green on Saturday of this week in order to have their names printed on the official ballots. Democratic township committeemen should see to it that their candidates are properly filed not later than Saturday as after that date the names cannot be printed on the official ballots.

T. J. Smith and Family Return.

We are glad to welcome back to our city Mr. T. J. Smith and family, including his son, Gerald and wife, who returned last week, coming from Omaha by auto, and will make Lamoni their future home. It is their intention to erect a fine home in East Lamoni, but Mr. Smith tells us the more he figures, the worse frightened he gets, prices of building material and labor, being so beyond the anticipations of the more exaggerative mind.—Lamoni Chronicle.

Conductor Mike Carey Dead.

Michael A. Carey, for many years a conductor on the Des Moines and Cainsville branch of the Burlington, died at his home in Des Moines Sunday night. Mr. Carey was very popular with the traveling public, and had been in the service of the Burlington road for thirty-five years, but had to give up his run several years ago on account of illness. He is survived by his wife, three sons and four daughters.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

County Sunday School Association at M. E. Church, Decatur, Two Days, May 21 and 22.

The Iowa Sunday School Association will hold its annual county convention at the M. E. church in Decatur, Friday and Saturday, May 21 and 22. The following program has been prepared, and every school in Decatur county is urged to be represented by a good delegation.

First Day, Friday, May 21st.

9:30 Registration. 10:00 The Worship Period, Devotion. 10:20 "The How and Why of This Convention," H. O. Tuttle, President. 10:40 Address by State Worker. 11:25 Conference. 11:40 Announcements. Afternoon Session. Theme: "Discovering and Developing Leadership." 1:45 The Worship Period, Devotion. 2:00 Discovering and Developing Leadership through the Workers' Conference. 2:15 Through the Training Class. 2:30 Through the Special Schools of Training. 3:00 "Worship in the Sunday School," State Worker. 3:30 Conference. (All questions must be written and handed to Conference Director.) 4:00 Appointment of Committees. 4:15 Adjournment and meeting of committees and workers. Evening Session. 7:30 The Worship Period, Devotions. 7:45 Concert by local Sunday School Workers. Address, "On a Journey," State Worker.

Second Day, Saturday, May 22.

9:00 The Worship Period, Devotional. 9:15 Separate Conferences. 9:20 Children's Division Conference. Young People's and Adults' Conference. 11:10 Reassemble in auditorium. Review of the year. Reports of officers. Did You Register? Afternoon Session. Theme: "Religious Education." 1:30 The Worship Period, Devotions. 1:45 The Organization of the Church School. 2:00 Advantage of Co-operation in Association Work. 2:20 "Plans and Purposes of the Spanish American Sunday School Association Work," State Worker. 2:30 Business and Committee Reports. This session program will be addressed and chaired by delegates and workers can all get away on their respective trains. Local committees will give information and all necessary aid in making your visit to Decatur both pleasant and profitable.

Memorial Day Program.

Decorative Day ceremonies will be held at the M. E. church on Sunday, May 30th, at 2 o'clock, by the G. A. R., Spanish American and the World War soldiers, and a good program has been prepared. All old soldiers and soldiers of the Spanish American and World War will meet at the court house and form in line fifteen minutes before the beginning of the program and march to the church, where the following program will be rendered: Song, "Star Spangled Banner." Reading of Orders. Invocation, Rev. Jervis. Solo, Dr. Englund. Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. Solo, Dr. Englund. Address, Rev. Green. Song, "America." All who can donate flowers are requested to leave them at the G. A. R. hall as early on the morning of decorative day as possible.

To the Republican Voters of Decatur County.

As it is impossible to see and talk with each voter personally, I take this opportunity of asking your support at the June primary for nomination for second term as County Recorder. It has been customary in Decatur county to give the second term to one who has made good. I have done my best and have run the office as economically as possible, consistent with good management, and I believe I am entitled to it. I want the office, all stories to the contrary notwithstanding. You will have a chance to prove your loyalty to the Republican party by casting your vote for nominee for second term of office, on June 7, 1920.

Jeannette Alexander, County Recorder.

Beardsley-Foland.

Mr. Robert Beardsley, of Leon, and Miss Eva Foland, of Grand River, were quietly married at the home of Mrs. Georgia Still in east Leon Monday evening, the ceremony being performed by Rev. T. F. Campbell. The bride comes from one of the worthy families of Grand River, and has been employed for some time in Leon, being a young lady of many excellent qualities. The groom is one of the popular young men of Leon, holding a responsible position with the Farmers & Traders State Bank in this city. These young people have many friends who wish them every happiness and prosperity. They will go to housekeeping at the home of Mrs. Still at once.

Lowe-Parrish.

Mr. Wm. M. Lowe, of Woodburn and Miss Fairie Mae Parrish, of Osceola, were married by Rev. P. H. Green, pastor of the Christian church at his home in this city Monday.

Second Hand Cars.

If you have a second car to sell or want to buy one—SEE US—We handle more second hand cars than any other firm between Des Moines and Kansas City. Estes & Company, Leon, Iowa.

TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

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

State steamboat inspector A. A. Jenks was down at Davis City yesterday inspecting the Yolo.

Miss Winnie Woodard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alton Woodard, was quite seriously injured Monday by falling from a fence.

Friends in this city have received news that a daughter was born to Mrs. Maude Bullock Johnston at her home in Oklahoma on May 12th. The following marriage licenses have been issued the past week: Charles N. Edwards 25 to Emma B. Fuqua 20.

Lorenzo A. Bonney 19 to Myrtle I. Flacey 17. The small boys of Leon have a bad habit of climbing on the drays and wagons while they are in motion, and it is a wonder that several have not been injured here. On Monday Harry Powell, a boy six years old, the son of Leander Powell, in company with several other boys tried to climb on Hammy Tullis' dray, but he missed his footing and his leg was caught in the wheel, completely locking it. He was carried to Dr. Layton's office, the bystanders being sure his leg was broken, but upon examination it was found to be only badly bruised and skinned. However, it was a very narrow escape and should prove a lesson to other boys, but of course it won't.

Work was commenced Monday excavating for the north side hotel and Morris Gardner's two store buildings, with a force of 23 men, and the work is going on rapidly. The contract for the brick and carpenter work will be let the last of this week. W. H. Jenkins will commence putting in the brick work for the Horner and Biggs buildings next Monday.

J. S. Douglass, the Narrow Gauge station agent, had a little experience with a couple of highwaymen last Friday night. He had taken a couple of young ladies to Decatur City to attend the commencement exercises, and was returning to Leon alone about 1 o'clock. Just as he crossed the bridge over Little river west of town, two men on the bridge tried to catch his team, at the same time calling on him to halt. The team scared and started to run, and Douglass pulled his revolver and fired at the fellows. They returned fire, one of the bullets passing through the top of the horse, missing Douglass, who lost no time in getting to Leon. He had collected quite a sum of freight money that evening, and it is supposed the robbers were after that.

Mr. and Mrs. App Fields, of Thayer, Indiana Territory, are visiting in this city. Their daughter, Mrs. Thomas Konkin, of High Point township, Mr. and Mrs. Fields were former residents of this county, but moved to Indian Territory thirty-five years ago, and have never been back until now.

Miss LaNell Woffhines returned from Bethany, Mo., Sunday, where she had been trimming in a millinery store for the past three months.

Miss Nellie Barkley, of St. Joe, Mo., came Friday for a visit with Mrs. Nettie Bowman in this city.

Owen Denev, of Mt. Ayr, is learning the baker's trade with George Miller.

Mrs. Eliza Payne.

Mrs. Eliza Payne was born in Crawford county, Ohio, March 11, 1833, and departed this life at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. L. Frakes, May 15, 1920, at the age of 87 years, 2 months and 4 days. She moved with her parents to Dewitt county, Illinois. In the year 1852 she was united in marriage to H. R. Payne. To this union were born three children, namely: William Payne, of Morrisstown, S. D.; Wesley B. Payne, of Spokane, Washington, who died in 1912; Mrs. R. L. Frakes, of Davis City, Iowa; Mrs. Jennie Stephens, of Colville, Washington; Mrs. Mae Storts, of Shelton, Washington; Gilbert R. Payne, of Harward, Iowa; Elizabeth dying at the age of fourteen years and Leonard, Emma and Melvina in infancy.

She united with the Christian church in 1881, and has been a strong believer in that faith ever since. She realized the seriousness of her condition and often expressed herself as being ready to go. Although she had lived but a short time in this home she had made many friends who are sad at the parting. For the last thirty years she had made her home at Harward, Iowa, with her youngest son, G. R. Payne, but spent quite a bit of her time with her children in Washington. One of her aims in life was to care for the sick and to give to those in distress. A kind neighbor, a good mother and loving grandmother has gone to her reward.

Funeral services were held from the Union church at Davis City, Iowa, Tuesday afternoon, May 18th, at 2 p. m., conducted by P. A. Green. The pallbearers were John Fitch, Delbert Towles, Albert Hamilton, Ernest Doolittle and Charles Beasley.

Amicitia Club Lunches and Elects Officers.

At a luncheon held last Thursday at the home of Mrs. W. H. Shields, the Amicitia Club elected the following officers for the ensuing year. President—Mrs. W. H. Shields. Vice Pres.—Mrs. Guy Stark. Recording Secretary—Mrs. C. H. Mitchell. Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. H. Farquhar. Historian—Mrs. E. N. Hansell. The subject for next year's study will be Political Economy. Mrs. J. A. McIntosh was elected as a delegate to the Fifteenth Biennial Convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs which will be held at Des Moines June 16th to 23d inclusive.

All club women, whether visitors or delegates, are requested to register at Iowa headquarters at the Wellington hotel, as Iowa is to be hostess to the Golden Prairie Biennial. The convention headquarters will be at Hotel Fort Des Moines.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For Representative.

I will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for representative from Decatur county, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election in June.

E. J. Wilson, of Woodland township.

For Auditor.

I will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for county auditor, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election in June.

Rothmer A. Scott, of Bloomington Township.

For Sheriff.

I will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the voters at the primary election in June.

L. J. Hill, of Leon.

For Sheriff.

I will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the voters at the June primary.

Roy Wood, of Leon.

For Sheriff.

I will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for sheriff, subject to the will of the voters at the June primary.

Leland S. Hebener, of Leon.

For Sheriff.

I hereby announce that I will be a candidate for the nomination for sheriff of Decatur county, subject to the will of the voters of the republican party at the June primaries.

C. E. Thompson, Center Township.

For Recorder.

I will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for county recorder, subject to the will of the voters at the June primary.

Miss Gertrude Keown, of Lamoni.

For Member of Board.

I will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for member of the board of supervisors for the term beginning Jan. 1, 1922, subject to the will of the voters at the June primary.

H. T. Rauch, of Fayette township.

For Member of Board.

I will be a candidate for the democratic nomination for member of the board of supervisors for the term beginning Jan. 1, 1921, subject to the will of the voters at the June primary.

C. C. Fulton, of High Point township.

Mrs. Clem Lane.

Jettie Vaughn Lane, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Vaughn, was born August 16, 1896, and died at her home in High Point township, May 13, 1920, aged twenty-three years, eight months and twenty-seven days. Most of her life was spent in Woodland and Morgan townships and her sudden death came as a shock to her loving family, relatives and friends.

About two months ago she suffered an attack of the influenza from which she never recovered and her death was caused by heart failure.

She was married September 30, 1914, to Clem F. Lane of Woodland township. To this union was born three children; Georgia Viola aged four years, Izola Ruth, aged two years and Eva Marcella aged one year. Beside her family she leaves a sorrowing father and mother, five brothers: Oscar, Orville, Otto, and Shelia of Long Beach, California. All were present at the funeral except the sister.

She also leaves a host of relatives and friends to mourn her death.

The funeral was held at the residence Friday afternoon, May 14th, conducted by Rev. Perry of Mercer, Mo., and followed at the Beavers cemetery. A large concourse of sympathizing friends gathered to pay tribute to her memory.

The pall bearers were as follows: Oscar, Orville, Otto, and Shelia Vaughn, brothers of the deceased and George Lane, brother of the husband.

The floral offerings were many and beautiful.

A Card of Thanks.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank the neighbors and friends for the kindness shown us in our recent sad bereavement.

Clem F. Lane.

Thomas Henry Butts.

Thomas Henry Butts, was born in Pickaway county, Ohio, Nov. 20, 1845, and departed this earthly existence on May 15, 1920, in Decatur county, Iowa, being at the time of his death 74 years, 5 months and 25 days old. He was the son of John and Ellen Butts. He came to Decatur county with his parents in the year of 1858 and has been a resident of this county ever since.

He leaves to mourn his departure, 4 brothers and 5 sisters. Uncle Tom as he was always called, was converted when a young man and remained a member of the Baptist church.

Funeral services at the Bethel Baptist church conducted by Rev. G. T. Ronk and interment at the Bethel cemetery.

Marriage Licenses.

Wm. M. Lowe, Woodburn 28

Fairlie Mae Parrish, Osceola 28

Bob Beardsley, Leon 22

Eva Foland, Grand River 18

Decorations Day at Decatur.

At a meeting of the G. A. R. Post and W. R. C. at Decatur, it was decided to hold Memorial services at the M. E. church at 11 o'clock on Sunday, May 30th. The decoration of the graves in the Decatur cemetery will be held at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Everybody is requested to come out and honor the memory of the departed soldiers.