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## The New St. Joseph's Church.

The contract for the new church building to be erected by the St. Joseph's congregation was awarded on Tuesday to L. F. Parkinson & Son the firm who recently completed the new Alliance store and built the Library building.

The bidders and bids were as follows:  
L. F. Parkinson, Iowa City... \$ 34,660  
McManus & Tarnosky, St. Paul 36,984  
Martin Johnson, Cresco..... 39,571  
Otto Neitge, Mankato..... 37,855  
Oace & Amlce, St. Paul..... 35,766  
W. J. Zitrell, Webster City.... 36,684  
Theo. Stark & Co., Cedar Rapids 37,300  
Anton Zwack, Dubuque..... 35,877

The above bids were simply for the building in the rough, and the cost of steam heating, plumbing, electric fixtures, seating and furniture, frescoing and decorating will add \$10,000 to the contract price.

E. L. Masqueray, the noted St. Paul architect, is the designer of the new building which is of the Renaissance style of architecture, 50x130 feet on the ground, and a transept 80 feet in width, with a seating capacity of 750. The side walls will be 28 feet in height, with a height of 38 feet to top of arch in the interior of the building. The plans provide for a full basement which will be furnished to use as a chapel and entertainment room.

Hy-Tex brick in three shades, red, green and brown, will be used, laid in Flemish bond with dark brown mortar. The roof will be green and purple Virginia slate.

The new building will occupy the site of the present church which will be turned over on March 1st to the contractor for demolishing, and it is expected that the new church will be ready for occupancy by Thanksgiving. During the erection of the new building, the congregation will worship at the Church of the Assumption, occupying the hour between 9 and 10 a. m., each Sunday.

FOR SALE—Cord wood, both oak and poplar, at the new race track. Enquire of ENOCH STROTHER. 28tf

## Seed Corn That is Good.

Outside of home grown corn our seed is the only seed offered for sale in this vicinity that can furnish absolute proof as to where it was grown. That fact is just as important for you to know as to know about its growing qualities. R. E. Knox, Canton, tested 185 ears, 2 grains from each ear and all grew strong plants except 6 kernels. James Knox, Canton, tested 50 ears and all grew but 1 kernel. Ray Libbey got 98 out of 100. From 18 different tests made by 18 different farmers, shows an average of 97.2-3.

Price for this seed is \$5.00 per bushel. Variety, medium yellow dent. All seed on ear. Your note at 6 per cent will answer if you wish.

Will soon have some flint or squaw corn for early feed. Every farmer should plant at least one bushel for early feeding. Also corn for your silo, giving you more tons per acre than ordinary corn. Phone, write or call M. M. GRAF, or J. J. HOUSE.

## Our Official Population.

Auditor Hoopman received yesterday from the state officials the correct census figures for Howard County as follows:

Elma..... 871  
Chester..... 290  
Lime Springs..... 547  
Protivin..... 185  
Cresco..... 3199

The total population in the county is given as 13929, and the population of Riceville residing in Howard county at 348.

## Death of August Henke.

August H. Henke, aged 59 years, passed away on Wednesday morning at about six o'clock, after a short illness, at his home in the west part of town. The funeral services will be held on Saturday at the German Lutheran Church at one o'clock, with burial in the Howard Center Cemetery. Obituary later.

## Business Men Have a Chance to Preach

The following questions has been sent to a large number of the business and professional men of Cresco by the pastor of the Methodist church and though the replies will be considered strictly confidential, based upon them the pastor will preach several sermons, beginning Sunday night.

1. Why are not more men members of the church in the city?  
2. Are the churches of your acquaintance doing the work you believe they ought to do? If not, describe the one that would?

3. What do you consider the most helpful phase of church work? What do you understand by being "converted"?

4. Do you believe the churches ought to be a school of instruction as to local moral problems?

5. Do the present activities of the church appeal to you as a man's job? Could the churches do more than it does to prevent poverty, intemperance and juvenile delinquency?

6. If you were a preacher what would be the first thing you would do? As an introduction, and while the rest are getting their replies in, the pastor will speak Sunday night on the "business and the economic value of the church." We will appreciate the balance of the replies this week.

The Sunday morning services as usual at 10:30; Sunday school and Epworth League at usual hours. The pastor is glad to be back on the work. The meetings at Decorah resulted in a number of conversions and the church enthused. Those good people were very hearty in their words of appreciation and enjoyment for services rendered.

## Opera House Saturday

"Irish in America," comedy drama in three reels. "Beautiful Thoughts," in one reel. Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Drew. Matinee 2:30. Admission 5c and 10c.

Red and black boards for sale. M. P. LYDON.

## OBITUARY.

ABERG.

Mrs. Anna Aberg, wife of Louis Aberg, died at her home in Cresco, Jan. 22. Interment at Oak Lawn cemetery. She was the daughter of Hans Iverson and Betsy, nee Berdahl, and born in Berdahl, Norway, Feb. 3, 1865.

At the age of two years she emigrated with her parents to America and settled in Dane county, Wis. At the age of eight years she moved to Chickasaw county, Iowa, where she grew to womanhood. Sept. 15, 1884, she was married to Louis Aberg. This union was blessed with ten children, two of whom preceded her in death.

Mrs. Aberg is survived by an aged father, her husband and the following eight children; Mrs. Otto Gunderson, Ridgeway; Mrs. Theo. Gunderson, Cresco; Theo. Aberg, Cresco; Mrs. John Hammer, Bonair; Henry Aberg, Davis Corners; Louis, Anna and Marcus.

A precious one from us has gone, A voice we loved is stilled, A place is vacant in our home, Which never be filled.

And yet as Christians we do not mourn as those who have no hope. He who said: "I am the resurrection and the life" has given us a right to hope for a like inheritance as that to which this hard worked faithful wife and mother has just passed.

The funeral was conducted by Rev. H. N. Norman, the services at the house being in Norwegian, and those at the First Lutheran church in English.

The attendance was quite large, showing that Mrs. Aberg had many friends who had gathered to show their sympathy to the bereaved and their respect to the deceased. The Lord comfort the sorrowing.

STRAYER.

Kate Josephine Green was born in Walworth county, Wis., June 1, 1857, the youngest of a family of six children, all of whom survive her.

At the age of 21, she came to Calmar, Ia., to visit her sister, Mrs. Kaye, where she became acquainted with Eber C. Strayer to whom she was united in marriage on Feb. 9, 1880, residing there until their removal to Cresco.

During the residence in Calmar, she united with the M. E. Church; but several years ago changed her religious views and became a member of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

The deceased has been in poor health for several years, and passed away Jan. 17th, at the age of 58 years, 7 months and 16 days.

She leaves to mourn her loss an only son, Lynn V., and three little granddaughters, her husband passing away about three years ago.

Funeral services were conducted at the home of her son on Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. E. W. Wolfe, with interment in Oak Lawn.

The relatives present at the funeral were the brother, John, of Mason City; two sisters, Mrs. Annie G. Grier and Mrs. Carrie G. Ledger of Lake Geneva, Wis., and a niece Miss Vashti Kaye of Grinnell, Iowa.

SIDDALL.

Mabel Annie Carr, the daughter of Burton O. and Mary A. Carr, was born Feb. 26, 1873, and lived in Fayette county till the age of 17, when she was married to Charles E. Sullivan Sept. 4, 1890, and moved to Nebraska where they lived a few years and then moved to South Dakota. On account of ill health she was obliged to come back to Iowa where she has been for the past three years. She is the mother of five children who are all living. After three years she became the wife of Chas. E. Siddall March 11, 1915. She died Jan. 21, 1916, in her forty-second year. She leaves to mourn her death a husband, five children, two sisters, one brother and many friends.

Funeral services conducted by Rev. J. A. Pettit were held Sunday afternoon at the home of J. A. Siddall and burial was in New Oregon cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank neighbors and friends for kindness shown during the illness and death of our wife and daughter; also the W. R. C. for the floral offerings.

Charles Siddall.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Siddall.

For Sale or Rent.

My chicken ranch, also houses and lots for sale ready to build on, cement walks and street trees in. No property more than 5 blocks from R. R. depot, some only 3. Continuous cement walks from all to P. O.

Also for sale at a bargain, lots 11, 12 and 13, Railroad Addition to Cresco, now occupied by Weaver & Monemith, subject to their lease.

234 STEVE PECOV.

## "Windmills of Holland" To-Night.

Tickets are now on sale for the "Windmills of Holland" given this Friday evening, Jan. 28, at the Opera House. The tickets are being sold by the pupils at 25 and 50 cents per seat. These tickets can be exchanged without extra charge, Thursday the 27th at Lomas' Drug Store, for reserved seats. The 25 cent ticket entitles the holder to the seats in the second balcony and the first three rows down stairs; the 50 cent seats include the remainder of the house. All those participating in the Operetta are in Dutch costume. This has made extra expense and work for those getting up this entertainment. The stage will be decorated in Holland style and there are many fancy drills, catchy solos and choruses throughout the whole performance. The pupils under the efficient training of Miss Hughes have spent a great deal of time and hard work in order to make this a success. It is the aim of the school to make this Operetta one of the most interesting features of the school year and the public is urgently requested to co-operate in this effort by giving the school their liberal patronage.

GLADYS JOHNSON.

## Important to the Democrats of Howard County.

The Conference of Fourth District Democrats which was to be held at New Hampton on Tuesday, Feb. 1st, 1916, and notice of which has heretofore been given, has been postponed and said Conference will be held at New Hampton on Thursday, Feb. 10th, 1916, at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

This postponement is due to the fact that President Wilson will deliver an address at Des Moines on Feb. 1st, which many Democrats desire to attend.

As stated in the original notice, a general plan of organization for the Nov. election will be discussed and matters pertaining to the April Primary will be considered. The National committeeman, State chairman, and other party leaders will attend, and every Democrat in the District is cordially invited and urged to be present.

TIM DONOVAN,  
Gen. Committeeman, Fourth Dist.

## Rebekahs.

Installation of the Rebekah officers for the ensuing term was held Thursday evening. District Deputy Mrs. Berenice Church was in charge assisted by Deputy Grand Marshal, Mrs. Mary Streinz. Following is the list of officers:

N. G.—Christine Halliday;  
V. G.—Eather Taylor.  
Sec.—Susie Martin.  
Treas.—Mabel Shumway.  
Warden—Mabel Mitchell.  
Conductor—Mattie Barker.  
Chaplain—Susan Emmons.  
R. S. N. G.—H. E. Morgan.  
L. S. N. G.—Lizzie Mitchell.  
R. S. V. G.—Sarah McGinnis.  
I. G.—Minnie Klaffke.  
O. G.—Bertha Halweg.

This was followed by a program. Miss Berenice Laidlaw gave a piano solo, W. H. Tillson a talk on suffragettes and Misses Reba Counselman and Mary Young a piano duet.

## Mrs. Mary A. Archer.

The funeral services of the late Mrs. Mary A. Archer were held from her late home on the Verona road Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Mr. Hand, pastor of the M. E. Church, officiating. The remains were taken to Verona where interment was made. Mrs. Archer, who died suddenly at her home last week, was born in Utica, Aug. 16, 1839, and had been a respected resident of this place for the past fifteen years. She had been in poor health for the past seven years, but was in her usual health up to the day of her death. Besides her son, Edward Archer, she is survived by several nieces and nephews.—Vernon (N. Y.) News.

Mrs. Archer was for many years a resident of this vicinity, residing with her husband on a farm just northwest of town, returning to their old New York home several years ago.

## Farm Brings Good Price.

The 180-acre farm in Orleans Twp. Winneshiek county belonging to the G. T. Watros estate was sold last Friday at Decorah by E. R. Thompson, referee, to O. G. Watros, the highest bidder therefor, for \$115 per acre which is considered a good price, the average land value and improvements all taken into consideration.

## Change in Business.

Lomas & Farnsworth have sold their hardware and coal business to Lomas Hardware Co. All accounts owing the firm of Lomas & Farnsworth are due and must be paid or satisfactory arrangements made by Feb. 1, 1916. 2212

## Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers of real estate have been filed with the County Recorder:—

Lynn H. McKee, et al., to Mary E. McKee, und. 2-3 w $\frac{1}{2}$  sw $\frac{1}{2}$ , 16-100-13, \$1.  
J. E. Doolittle, et al., to J. P. Thomson (Exr's Deed) lots 8, 9, 10 on irreg. surv. n $\frac{1}{2}$  sw $\frac{1}{2}$  12-100-12, also lots 17, 19, 20, 22, 23 and n $\frac{1}{2}$  lot 24 irreg. surv. nw $\frac{1}{2}$  nw $\frac{1}{2}$  and e $\frac{1}{2}$  nw $\frac{1}{2}$  ex. e 14.80 acres 12-100-12, also lot 12 irreg. surv. sw $\frac{1}{2}$  ne $\frac{1}{2}$  and e 14.80 acres nw $\frac{1}{2}$  12-100-12, \$915.  
W. F. Milz to Chas. J. Powers, und.  $\frac{1}{2}$  of n $\frac{1}{2}$  lots 1 and 2 and n $\frac{1}{2}$  of w 26 ft. lot 3 ex. n 25 ft. lot 1 and w 10 ft. of n 25 ft. lot 2, blk. 11, Cresco, \$1.

Bessie M. Chandler to Matt McCook, lots 8 and 9, blk. 2, McCook's 1st add. to Riceville, \$100.

Wm. Fruchte to D. W. Davis, blk. 16 Lime Springs mill property and electric light plant and appliances, \$11,000.

Wm. Michel to Chas. Hollister, lots 11, 12 and w $\frac{1}{2}$  13, blk. 2, Bonair, \$1.  
Florence F. McCook to Matthew McCook, lots 9 and 10, blk. 2 of McCook's 3rd add. to Riceville, \$1.

J. E. Doolittle, et al., to J. P. Thomson (Exr's Deed) lot 1, blk. 6, Berg's add. \$275.

J. P. Thomson to Godfrey Anderson, (Ref. Deed) lots 5 and 6, blk 5, Cresco, \$1200.

Estella M. Chesebro to Henry M. Henning, parcel on se, 20-99-13, \$400.  
James Granahan to Patrick H. Granahan, s $\frac{1}{2}$  ne $\frac{1}{2}$  and se $\frac{1}{2}$  nw $\frac{1}{2}$ , 31-100-12, \$12,000.

John F. Kautz to John H. Oliver, et al., s $\frac{1}{2}$  1-98-73, \$12,500.

L. H. Sanborn to L. E. Sanborn, w $\frac{1}{2}$  nw $\frac{1}{2}$  36-100-13, \$1.

Jay Flaherty to Frank Fisher, lots 1, 2, 3, 4 on ne $\frac{1}{2}$ , se $\frac{1}{2}$ , 31-98-12, \$1.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fallgatter to Rudolph C. Ebert, south 100 ft. of lot 6 on irreg. surv. n $\frac{1}{2}$  ne $\frac{1}{2}$  12-97-14, \$500.

Rose Upton to Oak Lawn Cemetery Ass'n., 2.18 acres n of Cem. on 24-99-11 \$845.

Fred W. Beach to Alice M. Beach, lot 3 and lot 2 ex. s 75 ft. on w $\frac{1}{2}$  se $\frac{1}{2}$ , 23-99-11, also lots 8 and 9 and n $\frac{1}{2}$  lot 10, blk. 3, Gillett's add. to Cresco, \$1.

Godfrey Anderson to Herman and Wm. Mackenbun, lot 6, blk. 5, Cresco, \$1.

Peter W. Haaf to Carl Ball, n $\frac{1}{2}$  se $\frac{1}{2}$  se $\frac{1}{2}$ , 13-97-14, \$1400.

City of Cresco to Gilbert H. Melasa, (Q. C. D.) lot 3, blk. 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Cresco, \$300.  
City of Cresco to Gilbert H. Melasa, lot 2, blk. 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ , Cresco, \$500.

E. H. Furrow, Trustee to George Lammers and wife, (Q. C. D.) se $\frac{1}{2}$  4, sw $\frac{1}{2}$  3, e $\frac{1}{2}$  ne $\frac{1}{2}$  9, w $\frac{1}{2}$  nw $\frac{1}{2}$  and ne $\frac{1}{2}$  nw $\frac{1}{2}$  and nw $\frac{1}{2}$  ne $\frac{1}{2}$ , 10-97-13, \$1.

A. L. White, Treas. to A. J. Cray, (Tax Deed) w 5 ft. e 30 ft. lot 10, blk. 8, Lime Springs, \$2.46.

Reinbeck State Bank to Wattie W. Ehler, sw $\frac{1}{2}$  ne $\frac{1}{2}$  and w $\frac{1}{2}$  se $\frac{1}{2}$  and sw $\frac{1}{2}$  and s $\frac{1}{2}$  nw $\frac{1}{2}$ , 16-99-14, \$1.

Charles J. Regan to Luis C. Lubbert, w 25 acres of s 50 acres of w $\frac{1}{2}$  ne $\frac{1}{2}$ , 17-98-14, \$3200.

Daniel Nicholls to Carl H. Thayer, nw $\frac{1}{2}$  sw $\frac{1}{2}$ , 2-99-12, \$1.

Orlando A. Stinger, et al., to Anna A. Stinger, lots 29 and 30 irreg. surv. e $\frac{1}{2}$  ne $\frac{1}{2}$ , 27-99-11, \$1.

E. R. Fussell, et al., to Mrs. Alice M. Beach, (Q. C. D.) lot 3 on irreg. surv. of w $\frac{1}{2}$  se $\frac{1}{2}$ , 23-99-11, \$25.

Michael Keefe to Alvin F. Goss, n 48 ft. of lot 6 in blk. 20, Elma, \$325.

Sam B. Despres, Referee to Harvey J. Trunkel, lot 8 in blk. 29, Elma, \$600.

Ira C. Wheeler to Maud Wheeler lots 15 and 16, blk. 31, Cresco, \$1.

August Weinkauff to Mrs. Minnie Lidtke, lots 11, 12, 13, blk. 12, Berg's add. to Cresco, \$1.

Kate M. Haberly to Linnie Frank, lots 1 and 2, blk. 12 Berg's add. to Cresco, \$1.

## Library Donations.

Mr. Pergler has presented to the Public Library a book which he has written on the subject of Immigrants in America. This is in the Bohemian language.

Mr. George Dell has also presented to the Library a book which has a special interest in that it was published over a hundred years ago, and its title in part reads, "three years' travels throughout the interior parts of North America for more than five thousand miles." Its author was one Captain Carver, captain of Provincial troops.

## Farmer's Institute.

The dates of the Farmers' Institute have been fixed for February 16, 17 and 18. The program is now being prepared and will be published probably next week. It is expected to have an address on good roads by an expert and also a representative of the Iowa State College to discuss some subject of interest to farmers.

# FARMERS And Land Owners!

Now is the opportune time to come in and arrange with us to sell your farm, in order to have the same advertised in Our New, 1916, Pamphlet. We sold, lacking 80 acres, 3000 acres of land in 1915, not including city property or stocks of goods, and under most unfavorable conditions, due to the fact that we were well advertised and well organized with outside agents.

We will make a special effort to sell your farm or city property this year.

Write or call on

# GEO. H. OWENS

Cresco, Iowa