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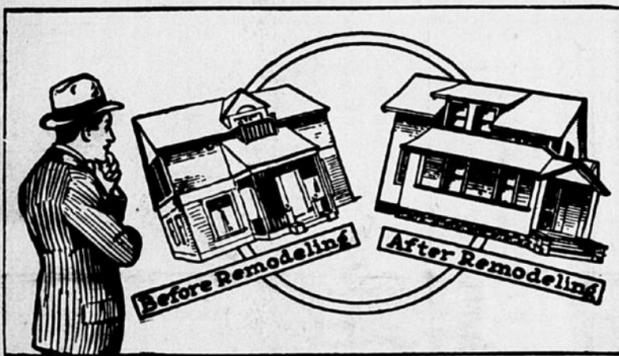
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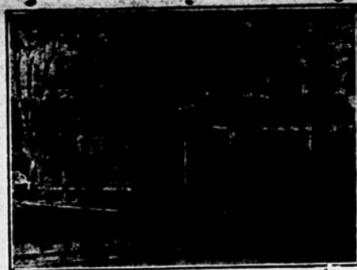
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**Saturday, Aug 12th**

Matinee and Evening

—IN A—  
**Three-Reeler Entitled "His First Vacation."**

ALSO A GOOD DRAMA

### OBITUARY.

MEYER

Henry W. Meyer died at his home near Ridgeway, July 23rd following a brief illness from heart trouble with which he had been stricken the Friday previous. He was born in Garnaville, Clayton County, Iowa, Jan. 26, 1853, and at the time of his death was aged within a few days of 63 years and six months. A singular coincidence in connection with his demise is that his death occurred on the exact date of the thirtieth anniversary of his marriage.

Years ago Mr. Meyer conducted a harness shop in Postville, which he disposed of and engaged in farming near Ridgeway, where by thrift and industry he had prospered and gained a full competence of this world's goods. He was an honorable and upright man in all his dealings, quiet and unassuming, and by his sterling manliness and cordial good nature formed a firm and lasting friendship with those in whom he came in contact.

Of his immediate family he is survived by his wife, four daughters and three sons: Mrs. Ed Hanneman, Mrs. Otto Helwig, John H. Meyer and Mrs. Fred Bigalk, of Cresco, Will, Anna and Louie at home, who have the sympathy of many friends in their bereavement.

The funeral was held from the German Lutheran Church at Cresco of which he had been a member for many years. Interment in the Cresco cemetery.

The following relatives from Postville were present: Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Meyer and son Alfred; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sebastian, son George and daughter Caroline; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Thoma and son Fred and daughter, Mrs. Wm. Klingbeil; Mrs. W. C. Meyer and sons Arno and Victor; David Meyer and son Fred and daughter Mabel; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sebastian, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sebastian, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Meyer, John Sebastian, F. D. Sebastian, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Welzel, Mr. and Mrs. George Welzel, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Heins and family and Fred J. Meyer. Also Mr. and Mrs. Herman Meyer and son Wallace, of Beloit, Wis., and Mr. and Mrs. H. Hahn, of Monona.

A precious one from us has gone,  
A voice we loved is stilled;  
A place is vacant in our home,  
Which never can be filled.  
God in His wisdom has recalled  
The boon His love has given;  
And though the body stumbers here  
The soul is safe in Heaven.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for their sympathy and helpfulness during our recent bereavement and for the flowers furnished.

MRS. MEYER AND FAMILY.

BEACH.

Fred Walker Beach was born on a farm in New Oregon twp. Nov. 27, 1856, and passed from this life Aug. 5, 1915, at his home in Cresco in his sixtieth year. He has been in poor health for a number of years and for nearly a year past had been confined to his bed most of the time.

His parents, now gone to their reward, were among the first settlers of Howard county, Fred being born a few months after they settled on the farm, which was the family home for forty years. Raised amid the surroundings of pioneer life he acquired the traits of those rugged characters who always displayed the keenest interest in the welfare of their neighbors, and his own affairs were never so pressing that he would not leave them to help those in need, thus exemplifying something of the life of Him who taught that service to his fellow man is one of the highest principles of Christianity, and in whom Fred professed faith in his early manhood.

June 30th, 1892, he was united in marriage with Alice Mitchell, who with one daughter, Alice, are left to mourn. He is also survived by three brothers and two sisters—J. H. Beach of Valley, Neb., H. E. Beach of Portland, Ore., E. W. Beach, Mrs. W. R. Mitchell and Mrs. L. P. Barth of Cresco.

Funeral services conducted by Rev. W. S. Kirwin assisted by Rev. J. A. Pettit were held at the home Monday afternoon and burial was at New Oregon.

DESPARD.

John G. Despard was born in Allamakee county, near Wankon, March 26th, 1866, and died at Cresco Aug. 2, 1916. When a child he came to Cresco with his parents where he has lived ever since excepting a few years he lived in Minneapolis. He leaves to mourn his departure two brothers, Robert of LeRoy and Richard W. of Cresco, and two sisters, Mrs. Frank

Bickford of Cresco and Mrs. John Despard of Scottsville, N. Y., besides several nieces and nephews. He was a loving brother and uncle and will be sadly missed by them all. Funeral services conducted by Rev. W. S. Kirwin were held at the Congregational Church Sunday afternoon and burial was in New Oregon cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends, and especially to the W. O. W. and W. C. for the beautiful flowers, and their kindness to us at the death of our brother and uncle.

MR. AND MRS. FRANK BICKFORD AND FAMILY.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT DESPARD AND FAMILY.

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD DESPARD AND FAMILY.

### Gollmar Bros. Big Circus Soon Here. Wait for the Show You Know.

There is one day in the year when everyone feels young. That day is no other than circus day and the annual affair comes this year on Monday, Aug. 21, and on which occasion Gollmar Bros. bring their big circus and menagerie and trained wild animal exhibition to Cresco. This year as in all others, they will bring many new and sensational features, and Gollmar Bros. Circus, so different than other shows bring and exhibit everything that they purport to have. The Gollmar Bros. are always welcome to our city. They are regular visitors and have a big honest show and are all that they claim to be. Never in any of their visits to our city have they brought one objectionable feature. Their methods are clean and their performances always high-class and refined. The lack of boisterous rowdiness with the Gollmar Bros., shows is noticeable at all times and this mammoth tented city comes and goes in their usual quiet and gentlemanly manner and makes for our city one of the biggest and most entertaining long to be remembered days of the year and adding to their already large hosts of friends. They give their usual long street parade with the beautiful exhibit of horses, elephants, camels, floats, bands, chariots, callopes and beautifully trapped mounted section, etc. The largest Hippopotamus in captivity, bands of music, two callopes, funny clowns and endless numbers of beautiful gilded open dens of rare and expensive wild beasts. Remember the date. Mark your calendar. Bring your whole family and make this the one big instructive holiday of the year.

### BASE BALL

on Sunday, August 13th, at Flood's Park—Farmersburg vs. Cresco. Farmersburg has not lost a game this season, and it is up to everybody to help us out in this attraction, as it costs us extra money to get this team here. We are doing our best to furnish good teams and we need the support of the people to meet the expenses. Don't fail to attend this game. Game will be called between 2:30 and 3:00 o'clock. Make a special effort to attend, Sunday, as there will not be a game here the 20th, as the boys play away from here on that date. Come one and all who enjoy base ball. The Cresco boys will do their best to hold Farmersburg down to a close score.

Farmersburg at Cresco, Sunday, August 13th.

### A Ten Inning Game.

On Sunday last, Cresco defeated Lawler in an interesting and fast game which took ten innings to decide. The Cresco boys played a good game all the way, and some players are being developed that can give a good account of themselves in any game. Jack Mulaney and Alvin Natvig pitched for Cresco, the former retiring after pitching three runless innings, on account of an injury to his hand. Jack McCabe, as usual, did good work behind the bat. Following is the score:

Cresco	0	0	3	0	3	0	1	0	1	8
Lawler	0	0	3	1	0	2	1	0	0	7

### Some Hog.

M. P. Lydon recently sold his big Poland China brood sow, Darkness 522132, to Ed Kuntz at the stock yards. She weighed 570 lbs. the day after her litter was weaned and Mr. Kuntz says she should weigh over 800 lbs. if finished for the market and would then bring \$72 in cash.

She was only three years old but received a blemish that knocked her out as a brood sow.

### Driving Rig For Sale.

Consisting of pacing horse, buggy rubber mounted harness. All in first-class condition. A bargain if taken at once. Phone Elma Toll 15.

FRED C. TAFT, Route 8.

### Father Fitzgerald Celebrates Mass.

Rev. Father Edward A. Fitzgerald, who was ordained at St. Raphael's Cathedral, Dubuque, a week ago Tuesday, celebrated his first high Mass Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock at Holy Name church in this city, in the presence of a large congregation which completely filled the church and every available space that could be utilized. The sermon following the Mass was delivered by Rev. Father Gorman, president of Dubuque college, an old friend of the Fitzgerald family, who had known the newly ordained priest since infancy, and delighted in the consummation of the desire of his one time pupil.

Father Edward Fitzgerald graduated from the Cresco high school at the age of fifteen, and after spending one year at his home there, went to Dubuque to continue his studies at Dubuque college and from there went to Montreal where he finished the prescribed course this spring. At an early age he decided upon the holy priesthood as his life's work and bent every energy to the culmination of that desire, and no finer appearing young man ever dedicated himself to the ministry and a life of celibacy than Father Fitzgerald.

Fifty-seven guests were entertained by the family at dinner Sunday at Hotel Commercial and many friends called at the home during the day to offer congratulations and wish the newly ordained Father, "Godspeed." The Cresco friends sent a purse of over sixty-five dollars as a mark of their esteem.

Cresco people who attended the service were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Clark, Mrs. D. A. Lyon, Gerald and Leonard Lyons, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Laub, Consuelo, Cecelia and George Laub, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. McHugh, Katherine and Margaret McHugh, also Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fitzgerald, Emily, John and Lucien Fitzgerald, of Lanesboro, Minn.

Father Fitzgerald enters the priesthood fully equipped with a common and high school education followed by seven years of college training. He goes the latter part of September to a theological school at Washington, D. C., to take a post graduate course and to specialize in Psychology, after which he returns to Iowa to take a position as one of the instructors at Dubuque college.—West Union Union.

### Great Summer Show Coming.

She is coming—dear little Miss "September Morn" clothed in the form of a three act musical comedy with songs, jokes, scenery and girls—lots of them. Wm. Moore, the original joy bug, is the bright particular star of this musical fun carnival, which will be presented by LeComte and Flesher's specially selected company of 32 at "The Cresco," August 22nd.

"September Morn" is the joint work of Arthur Gillespie and Aubrey Stauffer. That they succeeded in their efforts is attested by the remarkable hits scored by this brilliant musical comedy during its long Chicago run at the La Salle Opera House. Comedy predominates "September Morn" but the delicious foolishness is interspersed with charming musical numbers, introduced by a remarkable chorus of singing and dancing experts who trip through the Hesitation, Fox Trots and other modern dances fetchingly. The scenery and costumes are brilliant. A great cast—which includes sparkling Ruth Wilkins, "The American Gaby Deslys," Wm. Moore, Maud K. Williams, Leslie Jones, J. J. Patton, James Baber, and Billy Murphy.

### Evangelical Church

The second quarterly meeting of the conference year will be held in the Ridgeway Ev. church Sunday morning. Services in the Florenceville Ev. church in the evening. We will celebrate the Lord's supper at these services.

There will be a German service in the home of Aug. Walters Saturday evening.

Rev. I. L. Baumgartner of Alta Vista will conduct these services. Everybody invited.

W. A. Scholer, Pastor.

### Baptist Church.

Services as usual at the Baptist Church next Sunday. Morning theme, "God's Witnesses." The Union Service will be held with us in the evening. Rev. Will Kirwin will preach. Everyone is invited to these services.

J. A. PETTIT, Pastor.

### Notice To Farmers!

On and after Aug. 7th, we will offer all our Stallions at reduced fees, to old and new customers, up to Nov. 1st.

511f M. P. LYDON.

FOR SALE—Shorthorn bull 18 months old, well built, color dark red.

MRS. JOSEPH BOUSKA.

### Married

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Cray, at 8 o'clock, Wednesday evening, August 9th, occurred the marriage of Miss Florence Cray to Mr. Alonzo W. Halver, of Chester, Rev. Pettit officiating.

The bride wore a beautiful gown of white georgette crepe, and the only attendant was little Miss Virginia Cray, who was ring bearer.

The living room was beautifully decorated in pink and green with cut flowers and ferns.

After the ceremony, light refreshments were served to about sixty guests.

The young couple left by auto on a trip to the Twin Cities, and on their return they will be at home to their many friends on the groom's farm near Chester.

The out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Halverson and Miss Grace, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dugstad and children, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cray and Winnifred, of Chester; Mrs. Jane Gates, Miss Elizabeth Wells, Geo. Cray, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Cray, Miss Margaret Cray, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cray, and Laura and Helen Palmquist, of Lime Springs; Mr. and Mrs. R. Wagner, of Austin; Miss Edna Lybbert, of Bonair; Mrs. John Metz, of Stacyville; and Mr. John Ruesink and Miss Florence Ruesink, of Foreston.

### Promotion of Former Cresco Boy.

Tuesday, Aug. 1, an important change was made in the official management of the First National Bank of Le Roy. W. M. Frank who has been its cashier since its organization and the moving spirit in all its affairs, resigned his position and was succeeded by Merrill Bowers, who for the past twelve years has been assistant cashier. Mr. Frank's retirement has been known for several months and he has not been in the bank steadily for some time. His retirement is caused somewhat by impaired health, but chiefly through a desire to be free to look after his large farming and other business interests and to get more recreation for himself. He still retains an interest in the bank and remains on the board of directors.

Merrill Bowers, who succeeds Mr. Frank is a graduate of Valder Business College, Decorah, and learned practical banking under Robert Thompson of Cresco. He came to the First National as assistant cashier July 15, 1904, a few months after it was nationalized and has retained this position since. He has been an efficient assistant and his promotion is well merited as well as a popular one among the patrons of the bank.

There will be two assistant cashiers—Harold G. Clapper and Leon K. Lambert, both of whom have had good experience in the business.—LeRoy Independent.

### Methodist Notes.

The Fourth Quarterly Conference next Saturday night at the Parsonage unless the League room of the Church is in shape to hold the service. The District Superintendent, Dr. W. G. Crowder, will be present and conduct the Conference. Dr. Crowder will also preach on Sunday morning at 10:30 at the Opera House, as it will be impossible to get the church in condition to hold the preaching services. Let us give him a good hearing. Those who have heard him know that they will be abundantly repaid for any special effort.

The Union Service, Sunday evening, at 8 in the Baptist church, at which service the pastor of this church will preach.

Sunday School at the close of the morning service in the Opera House. Epworth League probably meet in their room in the church unless other announcement is made.

### Church Notes.

BONAIR.

District Superintendent W. G. Crowder will conduct our last Quarterly Conference, Saturday, at 2:30 p. m., Aug. 12th, in Cresco.

Regular preaching service at 8 p. m. Sunday.

KENDALLVILLE.

Remember our last Quarterly Conference to be held Saturday, Aug. 12th, at 2:30 p. m., in Cresco. Supt. W. G. Crowder will be present.

No church service next Sunday.

ALBION.

Our last Quarterly Conference will be held Saturday, Aug. 12th, at 2:30 p. m. in Cresco. Supt. W. G. Crowder will be present.

No church services next Sunday.

GUY RUTHERFORD, Pastor.

For Bargains in town dwelling, see Annew Smith, Cresco, Iowa. 20f