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## Fitzgerald & Woods.

### Weather Report

for the month of March 1910.

Mean max. 59.6 deg.  
Mean min. 33.4 deg.  
Monthly mean, 46.5 deg.  
Max. therm., 23rd, 84 deg.  
Min. therm., 8th, 17 deg.  
Greatest daily range, 44 deg.  
Rainfall, 0.18 in.  
Prevailing wind south.  
Clear days 27; fair 4.  
Days with measurable rain 4.  
Wonderful March. Warmest and driest and sunniest on record. Typical April weather. No frost after St. Patrick's day. 18 days with 100 per cent. sunshine, and there were in all 323 hrs. or 88 per cent. From the 4th to the 29th is the longest period on record without rain. Plowing commenced on the 17th, and seeding of wheat and oats on the 21st. First anemones on the 23rd, first buttercups on Easter, and the white flowers of blood-root on April 1st. 613 hrs. thawing temperature. Snow was gone on the 20th. This is probably the warmest March since 1856, with its nearest approach in 1878.

ARTHUR BETTS,  
U. S. Weather and Crop Reporter.

### Bank at Protivin.

The busy little town of Protivin is to have a bank in the near future. Robt. Thomson of Cresco and a number of the merchants and farmers of Protivin have made arrangements to put in a bank at Protivin. Jos. F. Pecinovsky, John Bouska, Ferd. Lukes and the Klemish Bros. are among those interested. A suitable building will be erected in the near future and when completed the bank will open for business.

### Report of School

taught in district No. 1 Albion twp, for the month ending March 25, 1910.

No. of pupils enrolled, 25.  
No. of days taught, 19.  
No. cases of tardiness, 12.  
Average daily attendance, 19.  
No. neither absent or tardy, 3.  
Those neither absent or tardy are: Josie Bigalk, Esther Bigalk and Clara Blatter.

FLORENCE GAGER, Teacher.

### Smoke This,

Dad says in your pipe. Before you buy any Seed Corn ask to be shown Iowa State Test as Dad does. Fifty-five years as a grower and dealer, I claim to know a little more about it than a dry goods clerk knows. See them all, but before you buy meet me face to face. No Phone. The price is \$3.00 per bushel, graded for the planter.

S. PECOY.

**Barking, Hacking, Rasping Cough** can be broken up quickly by Allen's Lung Balsam. The old, reliable remedy has been sold for over 40 years. Ask your druggist about it.

B. Mahon came down from St. Paul yesterday afternoon.

N. A. Blackburn, Lawyer; office opposite the National Bank.

The W. R. Mead homestead for sale. For price apply to E. R. Thompson.

Wanted—Competent girl for general housework. MRS. E. L. DAVENPORT.

FOR RENT—Two houses with barns. Enquire of JAY WATROS.

Corn and potatoes for sale. Phone Chickasaw 22. FRANK PRASKA.

Dr. W. T. Daly, physician and surgeon; office over Glass's restaurant.

Joe Williams was down from Lime Springs Wednesday to attend a Masonic meeting.

Jos. F. Jones came down from Northfield, Minn., yesterday enroute to Granger.

Mrs. Lauritz Larsen and little son returned yesterday from a two week's stay at Decorah.

If you want a farm loan at a low rate of interest, see American Loan & Trust Company, Cresco, Ia.

Superintendent Nearpass went to Fayette to-day to act as one of the judges in a debate at the U. I. U.

If you want to buy or sell Real Estate call on Geo. H. Owens. Office over First National Bank, Cresco, Iowa.

70 acres of land two miles north from Cresco, for rent. See A. E. BARKER. 62w3

Good Howard and Winneshiek county farms for sale, any size. For particulars call on A. SMITH.

Don't forget that we pay the highest market price in cash for eggs. F. C. WOELLSTEIN.

FOR SALE—Medium Red Clover Seed, raised in northern Minnesota. Price \$9.50 per bushel. HENRY SCHNEIDER.

Mrs. Heide and family and her mother-in-law, Mrs. O. Heide, left on Tuesday last for their new home at Rhame, N. D.

Miss Louise Nicho's has returned from Ottawa, Ill., the store in which she was employed having been destroyed by fire.

CORN FOR SALE—I have about 1500 bushels of corn for sale. W. C. VAN SCHUYCK. Phone Silver Maple, No. 2. tf

April showers bring colds, gripe, rheumatism, and other distressing troubles. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea effectively and quickly rid one of such troubles—prevents them, too. A 35c package makes 105 cups tea. Try it today.—Wm. Connolly.

Seed Field Peas for Sale, at the Wm. Fitzgerald farm west of Cresco. Phone Howard Center 14.

JOHN A. SCHUELLER.

If you want correct abstracting done and cheap prices too, it will pay you to see the American Loan & Investment Co., before ordering your abstract.

I will be in South Dakota for the next ten days or two weeks and all orders held for me will be greatly appreciated. C. D. TAYLOR.

FOR SALE—Pair of black geldings weighing about 3400 pounds. Inquire of J. J. VALENTA, R. D. No. 2, Calmar, Iowa.

First class pasture for town cows. Good well water and change of pasture each week. Phone No. 99.

M. P. LYDON.

The ladies of the Congregational church will hold a market on Saturday, April 16th, in Miles Graf's Ice Cream Parlor. Don't forget the date, April 16th.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Morton left yesterday to make their home at Mason City, Iowa, having sold their residence property here to W. A. Smith.

Sherman Wentworth who has been at work in the Lansing Button Factory the past winter has been a Cresco visitor but returned yesterday to Lansing to reside.

Mrs. T. H. Jones and sister, Miss Hattie Webster returned to Cresco yesterday after a couple of days' visit with Dr. and Mrs. Barfoot and Mrs. Geo. Q. Gardner.—Deborah Republican.

There's no better spring tonic than Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. The standard for thirty years. Tea or Tablets, 35c. Get a package today, and you'll thank us for the advice.—Wm. Connolly.

Mrs. C. Burgess and Marcia returned this morning from their winter's stay at Biloxi, Miss. C. C. Burgess went to Chicago to meet and accompany them home.

RAPE SEED, "Dwarf Victoria," the best that grows, directly imported. You know the reputation of our seeds, if you do not ask some one who has tried them.

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Chicago Cresco Club.

The Cresco Chicago Club was organized at a dinner held in the States restaurant by twenty-five natives and former residents of Cresco, Iowa, to bring together in fraternal and social gatherings residents of Cresco who formerly lived in or were born in that town. Monthly dinners are planned. Dr. Geo. W. Webster was elected president; C. C. O'Malley, vice president; B. C. Bean, secretary; E. H. Arnold, treasurer; Hugh O'Neill, James Garrett, Jack Fleming, A. L. Upton and W. A. Bither, directors; Fred Cole, Hugh Owens and Carl Bradley, membership committee; O. B. Stimpson, G. S. Noble, Victor McNally and Dr. C. F. Isaacs, reception committee.—Chicago American.

The secretary furnishes us a list of the participants as follows, also a copy of the menu served at the banquet at the States restaurant which is under the management of Orrie Stimpson. We also include the poetical gems appearing on the back of the menu.

Following are the guests who were present: Dr. George W. Webster, Dr. Charles F. Isaacs, G. S. Noble, A. C. Noble, Hugh O'Neill, R. E. Noble, A. L. Upton, C. C. Bradley, W. A. Bither, Hugh Owens, Fred Cole, O. B. Stimpson, B. C. Bean, C. C. O'Malley, E. H. Arnold, A. F. Garrett, James Garrett and Jack Fleming.

CRESCO DINNER.

Blue Points, Vernon Springs Style  
Celery  
Cream of Chicken, a la Billy Owen  
Filet of Bass, Marshall-Lent-Salsbury Style  
Potatoes, Russell's Best  
Best Tenderloin Cutlets, a la Fred Martin  
Sherbet, Arnold and Terry  
Roast Young Tom Turkey  
Mashed Potatoes, Van Slyke House Style  
Green Peas, Mrs. Gibb's Best  
Cranberry Sauce, a la Perry  
Strother Salad  
Ice Cream, Webster House  
Assorted Cakes, Mrs. Irvine's Recipe  
Cheese, Kendallville Picnic Style  
Water Crackers, Platt & O'Malley  
Black coffee, H. O'Reilly Brew

"I've Got Rings On My Fingers"  
CHORUS  
For it is Cresco, old Cresco, I'd like to be,  
Back upon old Main Street, a kid again you see;  
Chicago is all right but Cresco suits me,  
Cresco, Cresco, Cresco, I O.W.A., I O.W.A.

"Sing Kate Sing"  
CHORUS  
Cresco town, work like the devil and we'll do you brown!  
Cresco town—y you is no good—y did you come down?  
Vos they all like you, do they roost loaf around?  
Back to the Woods for you,  
You will not nit, never do,  
Your gait was too slow—  
It's better you'd go.  
Back to dot Cresco town.

### Cresco Schools Attract Attention.

The Des Moines Register and Leader of last Sunday contained an extended article concerning the Cresco High School, illustrated with a view of the 2nd ward buildings and a portrait of Superintendent Nearpass. The article is as follows:

Educators in all parts of the state are watching with interest a number of innovations that are being tried out by Supt. H. L. Nearpass, of the Cresco, Ia., schools. Cresco is a beautiful little city of 3,000, with good buildings and a splendid system of schools. Superintendent Nearpass is a man that aims to keep up to date on all school matters, and is especially interested in giving his pupils a good, practical education. At Wapello, where he acted as superintendent for two years, he offered a normal course in the high school to meet the local need of well trained teachers. Last September he introduced this same work into the Cresco high school, with the result that the attendance rose at once from 97 to 127.

This normal course is unique in that it can be completed by a high school graduate in one year or by an undergraduate in from two to four years. All of the branches necessary for a first grade certificate are offered and to these are added enough subjects from the other courses to make up thirty-two credits when the pupil desires to graduate in this course.

But the increased attendance brought with it new difficulties, for the number of teachers on the faculty remained the same and the assembly room had been built to accommodate only one hundred. However, one of the larger recitation rooms was fitted with regular seats for the accommodation of the freshmen boys, the ninth grade being sectioned according to sex. Mr. Nearpass asserts that the teachers got much better work out of the pupils because of this segregation and points to the fact that the girls are always about two years farther advanced in development than boys of the same age, and that in mixing classes the boys tend to become discouraged because they are unable to cope with their girl classmates.

To facilitate matters of discipline a demerit system was adopted which certainly is bringing results. Practically perfect order seems to be maintained at all times and that, too, without a word from any of the teachers. No nagging, no quibbling, no continual talking is now necessary, and because of the good order both teachers and pupils are better natured and more accomplished in the class room. By the plan as now perfected, each teacher at the close of the day hands to the principal a list of those whom she has reported for any misdemeanor. Five demerits are given for ordinary offenses, though any number may be increased at the teachers' discretion. When a pupil's demerits amount to twenty-five his name is posted. Fifty demerits or her or suspension for a day and he can only be reinstated only by an order signed by the president of the board and one other member. For one hundred demerits he or she must get a written consent of the full board. For one hundred and fifty he or she must come up before a meeting of the board. If reinstated it is the understanding that if the pupil gets fifty more he or she shall be expelled without further action of the board. A pupil who goes five consecutive days without a report has fifteen demerits removed, so that only one boy has ever been before the board and over a third of the pupils have received no demerits whatever so far this year. A rule that no one who has been suspended can play on any athletic team for two weeks thereafter has also proven beneficial.

But it was still difficult to carry on all of the work, it being necessary for the superintendent to devote nearly all his time to the high school alone, so another plan was tried at the beginning of the second semester, which relieves the superintendent of much of the high school work and at the same time makes it possible to use the assembly room for the class work

In announcing the arrival of our new Spring Apparel we desire to say that never in the history of Cresco have the fashions reached such a pinnacle of perfection--Unusually beautiful, new styles in vogue. The KRAFT has chosen its stock from America's foremost makers.

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It's just as important that you be clean inside as outside—more so, in fact. Unless your system is entirely cleansed of all impurities, you cannot be one hundred percent healthy, physically or morally. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea is the greatest systemic cleanser known.—Wm. Connolly.

At a fire drill at the High School building yesterday forenoon, none of the teachers or pupils having previous knowledge of the time of the drill, the whole number of pupils approximating 350 or more, were marched out from the main building in one minute and five seconds, the shortest time on record.

Robert Thomson is in receipt of a business letter from John Shaw, a former Cresco resident, now of Avon, Wis., in which he states that he is 92 years of age but in good health, and would like to "grae" with Robert on his forthcoming trip to Scotland, and asking that Mr. Thomson convey his compliments to King William when they meet.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Lomas left last evening on a trip to Chicago and other points. Mrs. Lomas will visit friends in the vicinity of that city while Frank goes on to Dowagiac and Detroit, Michigan, as the guest of stove factories located in those cities. The firm of Lomas & Farnsworth have the distinction of selling more Round Oak stoves last season than any other Iowa firm north of Des Moines.

Rev. and Mrs. V. E. Hall, now of Sumner, Iowa, mourn the death of their little babe aged about one and a half years, which met death as the result of a runaway accident which occurred nearly two weeks ago. A team ran across the lawn of the Hall home and the child was struck across the head by a swinging neckyoke, rupturing a blood vessel and culminating in spinal meningitis. The remains were brought to Cresco on Tuesday for interment in Oak Lawn cemetery. Mrs. Hall will be remembered as one of the Simonds girls, and the bereaved family have the sincere sympathy of their many Cresco friends in their time of sorrow.

FOR SALE.

The Sisters School buildings at the Church of the Assumption. All those wishing to figure on same, would prefer to have them do so on Rev. Father Murtagh or Geo. H. Owens, office over First National Bank.

if desired. The plan is simply to allow the high school pupils to go home in the morning and afternoon as soon as their class work is finished. This makes it possible to dispense entirely with the last study period, both at noon and at night. The programme is as arranged that no one can go home early both morning and afternoon. A few are through with their work in the morning at the end of the second period. These are permitted to leave the building quietly. They are not allowed to whisper while in the building, so that there is no trouble in this regard. Then at the end of the third period those who have no class are dismissed, leaving the assembly room empty, save for a few pupils who bring their dinners. These are allowed to remain in the room with the understanding that they must be orderly. In the afternoon the same plan is carried out. All pupils must report both morning and afternoon at the ringing of the last bell, whether they have a class in the first period or not, to avoid confusion in marking absence and tardiness.

The only question that arose when discussing the feasibility of the plan was whether high school pupils could be trusted to study without supervision. To meet this difficulty as nearly as possible the superintendent published a notice of the proposed plan in the local papers and then sent a personal letter to each parent stating the time their son or daughter was supposed to start for home both noon or night. Most of the parents must be cooperating with the teachers or else these particular pupils can be depended upon to do the work of their own accord, for after a month's trial of the plan all the teachers report that they can see no difference in the kind of classwork they are getting. The pupils, too, are well pleased with the plan. They seem to be in a happier and healthier frame of mind. There is no need of a recess because they are not confined to the room long enough to injure their health. They are careful not to abuse their privileges, for fear they will be taken from them. Naturally, some little points of difficulty have arisen, but these were all easily surmounted. For instance, one country boy was found who could not go home until 4 o'clock because he had to wait for his brother, who had a class in the last period. He is allowed to remain in the assembly room and study. He appreciates the privilege and has never attempted to abuse it. Others have been allowed to remain occasionally to look up a library reference or other matters of that kind, but in no instance has anyone created a disturbance of any kind.

While this plan was worked out to meet the present needs in Cresco, there is no reason why it would not work equally well elsewhere if conditions demand it. In all schools the average pupil is restless and accomplishes but little during the last study periods, especially at night. If, as in many schools, it is absolutely necessary to hold classes in the assembly room, the work can be made much more effective if the pupils who have no classes are dismissed. The plan is certainly working successfully in Cresco, and with proper supervision might be well worth trying.

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Apple trees, six feet, at 15 cents each. Plants and cuttings, also seedlings of all varieties of evergreens. I raise all my own plants at my place 2 1/2 miles east of Protivin, Iowa.

JOHN J. VALENTA,  
R. F. D. No. 2, Calmar, Iowa.

Bargains!

I have some bargains and good terms on dwellings for sale, also a few residences for rent. E. M. STOCKMAN, Office over Moving Picture Show, Cresco, Ia. N. I. Phone No. 4.

Census Enumerators Appointed.

The following named persons have been selected for census enumerators in Howard and adjoining counties:

Joseph Ryan, Afton township (part of), and all of Elma. All Afton township in township 97, range 14 west, sections 1-18.

C. Foley, Afton Township, (part of) excluding Elma. All in township 98, range 14 west, sections 1-36.

L. E. Emmons, Albion township and Vernon Springs township, excluding Cresco.

A. D. Perry, Cresco, Wards 1, 2 and 3.

Herbert G. Knight, Chester township, including Chester town and Oak Dale township.

J. G. Roberts, Forest City township, including Lime Springs.

L. W. Springer, Howard township, excluding Elma.

Charles Wallaco, Howard Center township and Saratoga township.

Frank L. Burns, Jamestown township, including that part of Riceville in Howard county.

Carl O. Natvig, New Oregon township, including Protivin.

Arthur Stander, Paris Township.

C. H. Rice has been appointed as census enumerator for Orleans twp., Winneshiek county; Harry A. Libbey is the enumerator for Lincoln twp. and Ridgeway; and Ed J. Lukes in Sumner.

Instruction in Music.

I am prepared to receive all of my old pupils and any new ones desiring instruction in music.

MISS LAURINE M.EAD.