

## SHOWS COST OF SCHOOLS OF THE COUNTY

Interesting Facts Are Revealed in the Report of Superintendent Ferguson.

TEACHERS GET \$183,933

Standard of Wages Is Higher in Rock Island Than Moline, and Total Cost Is Greater.

Some very interesting facts regarding the schools of the county are revealed in the annual report of S. J. Ferguson, county superintendent of schools, to the state department of education. The superintendent's report shows a total of 23,130 children under 21 years of age in the county, and in 1908 the total is but 22,708, a material decrease. However, the census figures show that in Moline alone the number decreased by about 500 in the year. Incidentally the report of the census showed 200 vacant houses in Moline. In Rock Island the number was practically the same as last year as regards the number of children under 21.

The report shows the following enrollment in the schools of the county:

| IN GRADED SCHOOLS.   |       |
|----------------------|-------|
| Boys                 | 4,840 |
| Girls                | 4,919 |
| Total                | 9,759 |
| IN UNGRADED SCHOOLS. |       |
| Boys                 | 1,010 |
| Girls                | 888   |
| Total                | 1,898 |

The total enrollment is 11,657, which is about the usual proportion to the number of children under 21.

Cost of Teachers.

| IN GRADED SCHOOLS.   |              |
|----------------------|--------------|
| Paid to women        | \$133,520.87 |
| Paid to men          | 28,236.84    |
| IN UNGRADED SCHOOLS. |              |
| Paid to women        | \$19,532.45  |
| Paid to men          | 2,643.40     |

The total cost of the teaching corps was \$183,933.56, about half of the total amount spent in the schools, the fig-

ures being \$367,823.89. It is seen that while the proportion of enrollment in the ungraded schools is about a fifth of that in the graded schools, the amount paid to teachers is only about a tenth of that paid in graded schools. There are two districts in the county where teachers are paid as low as \$25 a month, one being in the extreme lower end of the county and one in the extreme upper end.

**Comes From Taxes.**  
The money to operate the schools comes from taxes levied by the boards of the different districts, supplemented by the funds from the state, about \$10,000 a year. This fund is distributed by the superintendent, and over two-thirds goes to Rock Island and Moline. Rock Island received \$3,490.38, and the Moline district, including Moline, Ridgeview and East Moline, received \$3,336.95.

The enrollment in Rock Island is stated at 3,822, and that in the district in which Moline is included was 4,260. Rock Island paid \$61,745.99 for teachers, and a total of \$164,361.97 for school purposes, while the Moline district paid \$77,824.17 for teachers, with a staff of 32 more teachers than Rock Island, and spent but \$127,818.58 for school purposes. Rock Island paid \$15,000 on the principal of district bonds, and the Moline district but \$5,850, but general expenses in Rock Island were \$42,000 greater than for the Moline district.

It will be seen that Rock Island has a considerable higher standard of wages for teachers than is paid in the Moline congressional township district.

### OBITUARY.

**Baltzer Funeral.**  
The funeral of Jacob Baltzer, 1517 Thirty-first street, was held this noon from St. Mary's church, the services being conducted by Father A. Geyer. The Western Catholic union, of which Mr. Baltzer was a member, attended the funeral in a body and the pallbearers were all members of that order. Burial took place at St. Mary's cemetery.

**Emma Johnson.**  
Miss Emma Elizabeth Johnson, 310 Ninth street, died this morning at St. Anthony's hospital where she had been confined for the past three weeks suffering with typhoid fever. Miss Johnson was born in this city and was 24 years old. She had been an active member of the First Swedish Lutheran church for many years. She is survived by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Johnson.

**Saloon Notice.**  
Free oyster stew Saturday night at 7:30 at Brennan's sample room, 821 Fifth avenue.

## IS SECURING DATA

Architect Under Treasury Department Comes to Begin Preliminary Drafting

FOR THE LOCAL POSTOFFICE

A. A. Packard Is Sent to Work Out Preliminaries as Basis for Preparation of the Plans.

With the arrival in the city today of A. A. Packard of Chicago, supervisor and inspector of public buildings under the supervising architect of the treasury department at Washington, the treasury department made the first definite move toward the preliminaries of enlarging the Rock Island postoffice building. Mr. Packard was sent here by the supervising architect for the purpose of obtaining data and preparing rough sketches of the building, as a basis for the preparation of plans for the alterations.

**Appropriation Made.**  
It will be remembered that the last session of congress adopted in the appropriation bill an item of \$80,000 for the improvement and enlargement of the Rock Island office. The treasury department is being urged to push the matter as fast as possible and get the work under way.

Mr. Packard, when seen by an Argus representative today, stated that he expected to spend a day or two here securing information, and that his work when in shape will be referred to his chief in Washington.

"It is possible that the work may be under way in a year," he said, adding "but there are so many preliminaries that it may not be possible to get the building operations started within a year. The work is to be pushed, I believe."

### SOCIAL AFFAIRS

[Society news, written or telephoned to the society editor of The Argus, will be gladly received and published. But in either case the identity of the sender must be made known, to insure reliability. Written notices must bear signature and address.]

**Will Repeat Cantata.**—The children of South Park Presbyterian chapel will repeat the cantata entitled "The Children of Story Land," which they so successfully gave last week, on the lawn at the home of Mrs. W. H. Marshall, 559 Twenty-sixth street, tomorrow evening. The entertainment will

begin promptly at 8 o'clock, and following the program ice cream and cake will be served. The program and cast of characters is as follows:

- Leading character... Thankful Sprague
- Red Riding Hood... Pearl Locks
- Cinderella... Della Ditch
- Boy Blue... Raymond Long
- Song, "Little Boy Blue"..... Hazel Spaulding
- Goody Two Shoes... Dorothy Soady
- Jenny Wren... Alice Lubnow
- Jack Horner... Earl Bruchman
- Jack Giant Killer... Glen Fry
- Bo Peep... Mildred Schiebel
- Tommy Tucker... Bernard Stevens
- King Cole... Ralph Lemons
- Old Woman in Shoe... Frances Hughes
- Simple Simon.....
- ..... Orrin and Charlie Sprague
- Mother Hubbard... Rose Lubnow
- Buy-a Broom... Florence Long
- Mistress Mary.....
- ..... Blanche Negus, Margaret Huber
- Aladdin... Forest Fry
- Silver Hair... Nellie Bruning
- Jack and Gill.....
- ..... Joe Schiebel, Gladys Hoffman
- Rip Van Winkle... Walter Baird
- Miss Muffet... Edna McInnis
- Little Girl with Curl... Marion Sprague
- Jack Be Nimble... Donovan Oglevee
- Mother Goose... Mina Bender
- Ding Dong Bell... Gertrude
- Robb, George Baird, Gertrude Swan
- Babes in Woods.....
- ..... Etta and Frank Winter
- Uncle Tom and Eva.....
- ..... Harry Stocks, Mary Hermann
- Santa Claus... Irvan Fulmer
- Queen of Faries... Hazel Spaulding

**Announce Engagement.**—Announcement of the engagement of Miss May Darling of Moline to Allan Blake of this city was made at a pretty party given by Miss Darling Tuesday evening. The wedding will take place in October. Miss Darling issued invitations to 24 of her young lady friends to attend an informal party in honor of Mrs. Benjamin Smith of Los Angeles and the affair was turned into an announcement party. During the evening Miss Henrietta Watts was handed a telegram by a messenger and after opening it she read the announcement. The evening was spent in merry making by the young people. The home was very prettily decorated for the event, the colors being pink and white. Hydrangeas were used in the reception hall and scarlet geraniums and ferns in the parlor, and the doors were hung with festoons of asparagus ferns. Pink and white hearts were also used in the parlor and the chandeliers were tied with pink and white ribbons tied in lovers' knots and interwoven with asters. A large bouquet of pink asters and white marguerites stood on the center piece of the dining room table. A course dinner was served. Miss

Darling is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Darling. She is an accomplished piano player. Mr. Blake has been employed in the Adams Express company's office for six years.

**Williams-Carmichael.**—Dr. A. E. Williams of this city and Miss Harriet Carmichael of Kankakee were married in St. Louis today at the home of the bride's sister. The affair was very quiet. Miss Carmichael is well known in Kankakee where for a number of years she has taught in the public schools and also the Kankakee business college. She is an accomplished musician, having graduated from the Kankakee conservatory of music and also studied in Chicago. She has been prominent in all musical organizations in Kankakee and has been an active worker in the Y. W. C. A. Dr. Williams is the son of Dr. and Mrs. R. B. Wil-

## NEW ONE LICENSED

Galesburg, Aledo and Northwestern Interurban Plans to Reach Rock Island.

KNOX COUNTY MEN BACK IT

Company Formed to Build to Aledo and Muscatine, as Well as to Rock Island, It Is Stated.

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 10.—(Argus Special.)—The secretary of state today granted a license to incorporate to the Galesburg, Aledo & Northwestern Railroad company, with a capital stock of \$10,000 and principal office to be maintained at Galesburg. It is proposed to construct a line of railway from Galesburg northwesterly through the counties of Knox, Warren and Mercer to the city of Aledo and then to Rock Island and Muscatine, Iowa.

The incorporators and first board of directors are Lafayette Weinberg, G. B. Crutchfield, F. W. Latimer, B. F. Arnold, E. R. Drake, Charles L. Hibbard, C. F. Hurburgh, Lake W. Sanborn and Thomas W. Peterson.

**To Compete With Rock Island Southern.**  
This line is being projected by Galesburg men who recently held a meeting and agreed to raise \$100,000 to secure a road from that city to Rock Island, action being taken after an effort to secure a change of plans by the Rock Island Southern making Galesburg instead of Monmouth the southern terminus had failed.

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## Shortest Line to Rosebud Reservation

The opening of the Rosebud Reservation, OCTOBER 5 to 17, next, will give over 5,000 people each a choice farm in Tripp County, South Dakota, for a small sum per acre. 838,000 acres will be opened for settlement. Those drawing one of these farms will pay \$6 an acre, one-fifth down; the balance in five years, without interest.

CHAMBERLAIN and PRESHO, South Dakota, are places of registration. Both are located on the shortest line to the reservation from Chicago.—the

### Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway

The best of these lands are located in the northern part of Tripp County, easily reached from both CHAMBERLAIN AND PRESHO. Presence at the drawing is not required. Those who draw one of these farms will be notified by mail. On October 6, round-trip homeseekers' excursion tickets to CHAMBERLAIN and to PRESHO, South Dakota, will be sold at one and one-half of the regular one-way fare, plus \$2. The minimum excursion fare will be \$9. Tickets good to return until October 27. Rosebud folder, containing map, and giving full particulars, free on request.

F. A. MILLER General Passenger Agent CHICAGO  
GEO. B. HAYNES Immigration Agent 348 Marquette Bldg., Chicago

Williams and has been in Rock Island three years, having come here from Kankakee where he was three years on the medical staff of the eastern Illinois hospital for the insane. Since coming to Rock Island he has gained many friends and the esteem of all with whom he comes in contact. After a short wedding trip Dr. and Mrs. Williams will return to the city and after Oct. 1 will be at home to their friends at 322 Nineteenth street.

**Skinner-Weaver.**—The marriage of Miss Mary Weaver, daughter of Mrs. Jennie Weaver of Davenport, to Frank W. Skinner took place last evening at St. Mary's chapel at St. Katherine's school, Rev. Mr. Hare of Grace Cathedral assisted by Rev. Mr. Leete, chaplain of St. Katherine's, performed the ceremony. The bride was attended by schoolmates, Miss Marion Haller of Omaha as maid of honor, and the Misses Edith Buebson, Louise Henley, Gertrude Whittiger and Katherine Davison as bridesmaids. Miss Irene Perry was flower girl. Mr. Skinner was for a number of years advertising manager for the M. & K. clothing house in this city and is now advertising manager of the Rockford Gazette. He and his

bride will make their home in Rockford after Oct. 1.

**Schroeder-Steese.**—Rev. Marion Humphreys of the Central Presbyterian church officiated at the marriage of Miss Florence Steese, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Steese of 901 Fourteenth-and-a-half street, to Fred Schroeder, the ceremony taking place at the home of the bride. Mr. Schroeder is a machinist and he and his bride will make their home with the bride's parents.

**Thirty Club Dance.**—The Thirty club will give the last dance of the summer series at the Watch Tower inn Monday evening, Sept. 14. Wrixon's orchestra will furnish the music for the dancers.

**Licensed to Wed.**  
Charles Rahn...Rock Island  
Alice Nape...Rock Island  
Fred Schroeder...Rock Island  
Florence Steese...Rock Island

**Muscatine Excursion.**  
Fast steamer Columbia every Saturday at 4 p. m. W. A. BLAIR, Telephone 188. Manager.



## MOTHERS OF BOYS

Fathers, too, for that matter, will find irresistible interest in the ultra-stylish, distinctive fall models in the celebrated

### Buddy Tucker and Peter Pan Suits

In offering this superb line of boys' clothes, we do so in the full confidence that comes from knowing that they are made to satisfy—and to prove all that is claimed for them.

In every stitch they show the superior work of the skilled tailor; in every outline, the natty ideas of the highclass designer.

Buddy Tucker Suits, \$5.85 to \$12.50.  
Peter Pan Suits, \$5.00 to \$10.00.

# Toughster School Suits \$3.95 All Wool 2-Piece Suits \$5.00

## WE'VE GOT YOUR HAT

Ding-a-ling! Take off that straw hat! It takes a brave man to wear a straw hat after September 10. We've all the new and correct blocks in Knapp-Felt, Stetson, Schoble and Young Men's College hats. It will simply be a matter of making a choice, and we'll see that you get a becoming hat.

- Knapp-Felt hats . \$3 and \$4
- Knapp-Felt de Luxe . \$6
- Stetson, soft and derbies \$3.50
- College hats \$1.50, \$2 and \$2.50

# M. & K.

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Everyone of the various materials which enter into Knapp-Felt hats, every process through which they pass --- from the forming of the body to the packing of the completed product--- is subjected to the most critical supervision. They are as nearly right as human ingenuity and experience can make them. They have the benefit of every device which makes for better results, but the crowning feature, the noticeable eloquence of style, is unequalled Knapp-Felt hand work.

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