

NEWS FROM NEARBY TOWNS

DAVENPORT

Licensed to Wed.—Adolph Petersen and Miss. Wilhelmine Richter, both of Davenport.

Small Pox in City.—The board of health yesterday received a report of a case of smallpox which was discovered at 518 Main street. The victim is a little boy and both he and his mother have been removed to St. Robert's hospital. There are several other families in the house.

Secures a Divorce.—On the grounds of cruelty and drunkenness, Mrs. May Grell was yesterday granted a decree of divorce from her husband, Curt C. Grell. The plaintiff is awarded the custody of the minor child, Ruth Grell. They were married March 11, 1910. Attorney W. H. Petersen represented the plaintiff.

Child is Scalded.—While her mother was out of the room, 2-year-old Martha Kidred, 510 East Twelfth street, got hold of a kettle of water and pulled it off the stove, receiving a severe scalding over her face, arms and neck. Dr. Bendixen, who is attending the case, states that the child will recover.

Four Caught in Raid.—Four foreigners were caught in a raid which was made Sunday night at 216 East Second street. They were booked at the police station on a charge of keeping a gambling house and being inmates. Those arrested were Nick Antharson, George Colofits, Jim Papas and John Antharson. The first two named were booked as keepers of the house and posted \$100 security for their appearance for trial this morning. The other two were held as inmates and posted \$25 security for their appearance.

Tries to Suicide.—Goldie Randall, aged 19, residing at 828 West Second street, dependent in a love affair, attempted to take her own life at Suburban island Sunday morning at 9:30 o'clock, by shooting herself in the left lung with a 32-calibre revolver. She is at the Davenport hospital and will recover from the wound.

Obituary Record.—After a lingering illness of several months' duration, Mrs. Doris Arp passed away Sunday afternoon at her home, 1404 Marquette street, at the age of 79 years. She was born Sept. 2, 1832, in Schoenberg, Germany, coming to America in 1866, and landing in New Orleans in July of the same year. Mrs. Arp (nee Sienknecht) moved to Davenport and was married to Claus Arp, April 14, 1868. She is survived by her husband and seven children—Hans B. Arp of West Liberty, Theodore Arp of Denver, Col., Mrs. Minnie Kuelper of Walcott, Mrs. Meta Gollnitz of Sunbury, Otto Arp of Probstel, Iowa; Herman Arp of Stockton and Miss Adella Arp at home. Eleven grandchildren and one great grandchild also survive. The funeral will be held from the home Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock with interment in the city cemetery.

Mrs. Maria Jones passed away Sunday morning at 2 o'clock at her home, 410 West Ninth street, after a

AUSTRIAN WOMAN WHO WON PEACE PRIZE TOURING U. S.; SHE LIKES OUR WAYS



Baroness Bertha von Suttner.

The aged Baroness von Suttner, of Vienna, Austria, the world's greatest living woman advocate of universal peace, is in America. She came here for a general tour, after an absence of eight years, during which time she received the Nobel peace prize for education work against war.

The baroness thinks America the greatest and most progressive country in the world and is especially impressed by the earnestness with which American women are fighting for the ballot. "Equal suffrage is a great, wonderful thing," she says.

Lingering illness of several months, at the age of 73 years. She was born in Albany, N. Y., and has lived in this city for a number of years.

Yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock at her home, 1322 Leonard street, occurred the death of Mrs. Carrie Kroeger, after an illness of over a year, death being caused by tuberculosis.

JUNE FIRE LOSS \$475,251

Total Number of Blazes in Illinois 546—Marshall's Report.

Springfield, Ill., July 9.—According to the report of the state fire marshal's office the number of fires in Illinois in June was 546. Of these 255 took place in Chicago, where the damage reported amounted to \$132,985. Outside of Chicago the fire loss totaled \$341,266.

The causes in Chicago were: Matches, 52; overheated stoves, candles, lamps and gas jets, 5; gasoline stoves, 4; gasoline and benzine, 11; defective flues, 8; spontaneous combustion, 4; lighted from other fires, 23; incendiary, 15; sparks, 16; carelessness of tramps, 2; carelessness of boys, 2; rubbish, 15; lightning, 15; hot ashes, 1; defective wiring, 2; cigars, 4; from causes unknown, 68. Chicago buildings damaged were:

Dwellings, 111; hotels, 4; barns, 29; sheds, 28; garages, 3; stores, 16; factories, 13; restaurants, 3; saloons, 6; public halls, 3; laundries, 2; shops, 5; warehouses, 5; lumber yards, 2; breweries, 1; foundries, 1.

The total value of the buildings affected by blazes in Chicago amounted to \$1,625,210. Their contents were valued at \$1,682,855. The insurance on buildings, \$972,895; on contents, \$1,049,150.

Mighty Mean.

"She's the meanest woman I know!" "What's the matter now?" "I offered to give her servant \$2 a week more to come to work for me, and would you believe it, she met the raise and kept the maid herself!"—Detroit Free Press.

All Feel Like Fools.

He—The bridegroom always looks like a fool during the ceremony. She—How about the bride? He—Oh, the bride, being a woman, is able to dissemble.—Boston Transcript.

Raised the Ante.

"Tommy" said a visitor to a bright little five-year-old, "what would you do if I gave you a penny?" "Wish it was a nickel," was the reply.—Chicago News.

MOLINE

New Band Organized.—Organization of the American band has been perfected in East Moline, and the first public concert will be given Monday, July 29. There are 15 members in the band at the present time and all of them have had experience with other musical organizations.

Looking Over Sites.—Six sites for a city hall were considered Saturday afternoon at the special meeting of the city commission, but decision to purchase was not reached. It was expected that the proposition would be brought before the commission at the regular session, but it was not.

Small Fire.—Fire in a defective chimney in rooms over the grocery store and pool room of T. E. Skrovanos at 1621 Second avenue resulted in setting the roof of the place ablaze at 4:05 Saturday afternoon. The sand roof made it difficult for the firemen to get at the fire, but after a half hour's work the flames were under control. Damage was confined to the roof and the ceiling underneath.

Lightning Hits House.—Lightning struck the residence of W. H. Christison at 1543 Twenty-fourth avenue at 6:15 Sunday evening and started a blaze that necessitated work on the part of the fire department. The crash came in the early part of Sunday's storm, the bolt being conveyed to the house on a telephone wire. The fire started on the side of the house near the ground wire of the telephone, but was checked before any damage was done, the heavy rain proving a valuable aid.

Dissolve Partnership.—George S. FitzGibbon Saturday purchased the interest of Harry DeWolf in the clothing store on Fifteenth street, conducted for the last six years under the firm name of FitzGibbon & DeWolf, and he will continue in business alone. The store was closed yesterday, but will be reopened for business as soon as inventory work can be completed. Mr. DeWolf's plans for the future have not been definitely decided.

Obituary Record.—Miss Rebecca Sherwood died at 11 o'clock yesterday morning at the home of her nephew, George Sherwood, 923 Sixteenth street, after a long illness. Miss Sherwood was born in Ridgefield, Conn., in 1833, and was in her 80th year. The remains will be taken to Beloit, Wis., which was for years her home before coming to Moline, and the funeral will be held there Wednesday.

Aledo

Miss Nellie Thompson has gone to Rich Hill, Mo., where she will visit several weeks with her sister, Mrs. Clark Griffin.

The annual soldiers' and sailors' reunion of Mercer county will be held in Aledo Tuesday and Wednesday, August 20 and 21. These dates were decided upon this week by the committee, which is making plans to make this the best reunion in recent years. The first day's exercises will be held in Monument park and the program of the day will be a basket dinner and stories of old times.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scannell of Kewanee came to spend a few days with relatives.

The Aledo chautauqua committee is planning to have only the best attractions on the program for the coming chautauqua, which will be held in Aledo in August. A partial list of the star attractions has been made public which shows the class of entertainment which the chautauqua will support. Among these are: Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth, Dr. William A. College, George E. Colby, the Cambridge players, Rogers and Griley, Thomas Brooks Fletcher, Ferguson's Dixie Jubilee Concert company. This is Aledo's first chautauqua and the committee is doing everything in its power to make it a success.

Miss Alice Stead has gone for a two weeks' visit in Kansas City. She was accompanied as far as Galesburg by Miss Olive Wertz.

Mrs. Minerva Ruse died at her home in Aledo, June 24. She was born in Bever county, Pennsylvania, April 4, 1833. January 3, 1849 she was united in marriage to Robert Mars in New Castle, Pa. After living there a few years they came overland to Rock Island and later came to Viola, where Mr. Mars was killed in a saw mill on Pope creek, south of Viola, Aug. 17, 1858. To this union were born four children, two of whom are now living. Mrs. Mars was married Oct. 13, 1859 to David Ruse, who died Aug. 19, 1904. To them seven children were born, five of whom are living in Aledo. She is survived by four grandchildren and two great grandchildren, also two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Grosjean of Rock Island and Mrs. Marie Serbine of Maquoketa, Iowa. Funeral services were held at the home, June 26. Rev. A. E. Moody officiated, assisted by Rev. J. M. Jones. Interments were made in Aledo cemetery.

Mrs. A. H. Tost, son, John, and daughters, Etta and Gladys, of Los Angeles, Cal., visited here the first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Sloan and left Wednesday for an extended visit in Egypt with Mrs. Tost's

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HISTORIC BLACKGUARDS

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Guy Fawkes: And the "Gunpowder Plot"

A BIG, bearded man, known as "John," aroused some idle curiosity by bidding in at auction the lease of a vault or coal cellar underneath the House of Lords in London. Johnson explained that he was the servant of Master Thomas Piercy, who lived next door to Parliament house, and that he wanted the vault as a storage place for fuel.

James I. was king of England. He had succeeded Queen Elizabeth in 1603. He was a scoundrel in a week, stilted way. He persecuted the Catholics, broke his solemn state promises, lied out of difficulties and in other ways made for himself a host of enemies. Parliament, for the most part, backed the king's wishes. Hence Parliament shared his unpopularity.

A band of daring, if unscrupulous, men resolved to rid England of King James, the royal family and Parliament as well by the very simple means of destroying the whole lot at one blow. Their plan was to fill the cellars of the House of Lords with gunpowder. Then, on the day when the king and his family should come to open Parliament, to set a match to the powder and blow up every one in the building.

Robert Catesby, Thomas Piercy and eighteen others were in the conspiracy. They chose as the actual assassin a brave, heartless soldier of fortune whose real name is said to have been Guido Fox, but who is known to history as "Guy Fawkes." No one knows whether Fawkes was to receive money for his deed or whether he consented to do it through hatred for King James.

In the early autumn of 1604 the conspirators began to cut a hole through the nine-foot wall between Piercy's house and the Parliament cellars. Then, hearing the cellars were for rent, Fawkes hired them. After that the work went on easily and safely enough. Thirty-six barrels of gunpowder were rolled into the cellars and were covered with masses of wood. A train of powder was laid. Everything was ready.

Parliament was to meet on November 6, 1604. The king and most of the royal family were to be there. At a signal Fawkes was to light the powder train and was then to escape by

ship to Flanders. The other conspirators were to kill or capture any members of the royal family who did not chance to be at Parliament's opening. No one betrayed this plot, which might have changed the history of the world. Yet it was discovered. The discovery came about in an odd way.

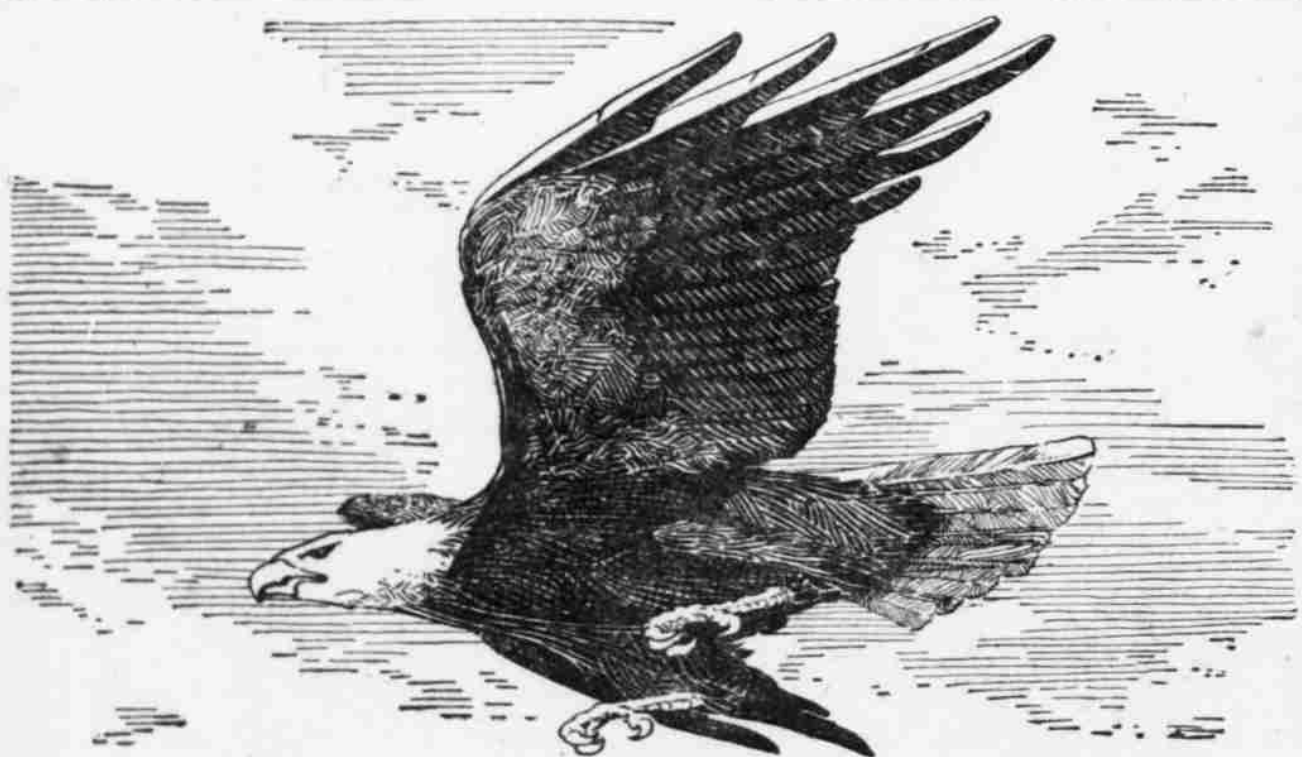
One of the conspirators—which one was never known—was a friend of Lord Montague, a noted English statesman. He sent Montague an anonymous letter, begging him to keep away from the opening of Parliament. Montague, not sure whether or not the warning was a joke, showed it to the secretary of state. The secretary laughed at it as a hoax, but was induced to show it to the king. James (who was so cowardly that the sight of a sword used to make him ill) fell into a frenzy of fear. On the night of Nov. 4 he ordered Parliament house searched. As the searchers neared the cellars they met Guy Fawkes coming out. He was seized before he could dart back and the place was ransacked.

The sight of so large a pile of wood roused suspicion. The wood was cleared away and the gunpowder barrels were discovered. Fawkes, raving with helpless fury, strove in vain to set fire to the gunpowder and to die with his enemies. He was overpowered and dragged before the king. There he made surly, contemptuous answers to all questions and refused to betray his accomplices. But torture at last made him speak. The conspirators were seized and most of them were executed—Fawkes last of all. An old chronicle gives the following account of his farewell to the world:

"This very tall and desperate fellow . . . made no long speech, but (after a sort), seeming sorry for his offense, asked a kind of forgiveness of the king and the state for his bloody intent."

All Europe shuddered over England's narrow escape. The fifth of November was ordained by King James "to be observed forever as a day of thanksgiving." For centuries thereafter Nov. 5 was celebrated throughout England much as we celebrate July 4. Amid bonfires and noise Guy Fawkes was burned in effigy. Even now the cellars of the houses of Parliament are regularly "searched" in memory of a government's old-time peril.

So, for more than three hundred years after his death, Guy Fawkes has had the honor of an annual "Day"—a privilege denied to most heroes and accorded perhaps to no other blackguard.



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