

FARMERS JOYOUS OVER PROSPECTS

Claim Bumper Crops in All Grains for This Year if Weather Is Favorable.

CORN AHEAD OF USUAL

Ed Conert, Farmer Near Milan, Claims the Product Three Weeks in Advance of Ordinary Year.

Farmers in Rock Island county are jubilant in view of the fact that the present indications point to a big yield of corn, oats and wheat for the year. Claim is made 1914 will be one of the biggest for the farmers in the past decade.

Ed Conert, who conducts a farm five miles south of Milan, and who has 160 acres in corn, was in the city today and stated that there would be a big crop of grains this year, but particularly so of corn.

Mr. Conert said: "Corn is about three weeks or a month ahead of its usual stage just now. It has already commenced to tassel. Ordinarily it has not progressed that far until the first week in August. If the weather keeps anywhere near favorable, we will have one of the biggest crops in years."

Oats Doing Nicely.

"The oats are doing nicely also and are a week or so ahead of time. Most of the farmers out our way will begin to harvest next week. The wheat is in good shape, too."

ST. PAUL IS NOW IN PACKET TRADE

Quincy and Morning Star Arrive Today, Sidney to Muscatine Sunday.

The steamer St. Paul will arrive here tomorrow from Burlington on its first trip north as a regular packet boat of the Streckfus lines. The St. Paul has been used as an excursion boat the first part of the season, but the increased patronage on the packets has required an additional boat. The steamer Quincy arrived at 10:30 this morning from St. Paul and left at 1:30 this afternoon for Burlington. The steamer Morning Star also arrived this morning. Hereafter the Quincy and St. Paul will meet in Rock Island, one coming from the north and the other from the south.

The steamer Helen Blair will run an excursion to Hampton Sunday afternoon, and the Sidney will make a trip to Muscatine.

HAMLET

Elsha Lee arrived home Thursday from California. Misses Mabelle Lemon of Perrytown and Lulu Cooper visited Thursday afternoon with the nurses at Monmouth hospital. Isaac Boyle spent last week motoring in different parts of Iowa. Ed Boyne and family visited at the home of C. L. Boyles Sunday. Miss Lulu Cooper spent from Fri-

THEY'LL SEE EUROPE FROM A MOTORCYCLE



Mrs. Rachel Foster Avery.

Philadelphia, Pa., July 10.—"A two months' open-air picnic" is the term used by Mrs. Rachel Foster Avery of this city in describing the motorcycle tour of the continent which she and her daughter, Miss Julia Avery, will take this summer.

Mrs. Avery will graduate from the College of Agriculture of Wisconsin in 1915. Mrs. Avery is also a special student at the same school, and when they have finished their studies there they expect to take up farming near Philadelphia. While on the continent the Averys will study agricultural conditions, will visit the home of the Alderney and Guernsey cattle on the Channel islands, and the Holsteins and Dutchsteins and Dutch Belted in Brittany and Holland.

The motorcycle on which Mrs. Avery and Miss Avery will ride is equipped with a sidecar, also a luggage carrier, on which they will carry necessary clothing and a well-fitted lunch box. And they expect to spend most of the time out of doors when the weather permits.

Mrs. Avery for many years took an active part in suffrage work in Pennsylvania and other states, and formerly held official positions in the National Suffrage association.

day until Sunday at the home of her brother Clarence, near Marston. Ernest Snell spent the Fourth with Glen Taylor and family in Wisconsin.

About fifty attended the neighborhood picnic at the home of Elsha Lee the Fourth.

Misses Lillie, Beattie and Mary Mary Marsh, Carrie Cooper and Millicent Boyles expect to go to Peoria Thursday to attend the state Christian Endeavor convention.

Miss Madalene Candor went to Gibson, Iowa, Wednesday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ben Halstead and attend chautauqua. Miss Winifred Boyles accompanied her to Rock Island.

Miss Ruby Snell entertained the members of K. A. G. Sunday school class at her home Thursday.

Miss Izora Lee returned home Wednesday from Augustana hospital in Chicago.

Mrs. Peter Austgen and children of Hammond, Ind., are visiting at the home of Myron Stockberger.

GREAT BOOKS IN RUINS IN YUCATAN

Lore Yet Unread Believed To Date as Far Back as Any in Old World.

Edward H. Thompson, former United States consul at Merida, Yucatan, in a communication to the National Geographic society, at Washington, D. C., describing Chichen Itza, the home of a forgotten race, on the peninsula of Yucatan, declares that the American people should awaken to the fact that they have right at home architecture essentially American and ruined structures every whit as interesting and massive and possibly as old as those of other lands, who boast that Americans must come to them.

"Within these mysterious American ruins are great books, with pages of stone, writ in characters that no man may yet read," he declares. "Are the mysteries they hold, the wonderful facts that certainly lie sealed and mute within them, hidden from us, less interesting to Americans than are the tales of Egyptian dynasties, the rites of Druids, Roman campings, or Saxon raidings? I think not."

Mr. Thompson describes what was probably the first tennis or basketball court on this hemisphere and possibly in the world. "The ruined group of Chichen Itza covers a space of fully three square miles," he says. "Over all this wide territory are scattered carved and squared stones, in countless thousands, fallen by the hundreds, while the formless remains and outlined walls of huge structures fallen into ruin are seen on every side. Seven massive structures of carved stone and adamant mortar still tower erect, and almost inhabitable. Their facades sustain the claim that Chichen Itza is one of the world's greatest monuments of antiquity."

"Several hundred feet to the west of the castle temple rest two great parallel moles of solid masonry, each 275 feet long 34 feet wide and 25 feet high. Between these moles is the ceremonial court. This level cemented space was probably the theater for the performance of certain rites and games of a ceremonial character. This belief is borne out by the fact that at a distance of six feet from the level upper surface of the mole two great rings of stone were fixed into the perpendicular wall surface, directly opposite each other."

Mr. Thompson declares estimates as to the age of the city vary from less than 2,000 years to more than 11,500 years. An idea of the intricacies of the language of the people of the city is given by the following quotation from a document found there: "Lai u tolan katun lukel i cab ti yotoch Nonoual," which is translated to mean, "This is a series of epochs, that elapsed from the time of their departure from the house of Nonoual in the land of Tulapan."

The writer tells a legend concerning Canek, the impetuous ruler of Chichen Itza, who loved the daughter of the ruler of a distant province. One day, a runner brought him the news that the Batab of a neighboring and far more powerful province had married the maiden. Canek and his warriors went to his enemy's city under cover of darkness, while all was revelry there in celebration of the wedding. After venting their fury on the drunken celebrants they stole the bride of an hour and disappeared. Never again did Chichen Itza know its Lord Canek nor any of his band of fighters. Years afterward, a hunting band from Chichen Itza made a long journey to the south. They finally reached a lake, and in its center an island city. The city was Tayasal and its ruler the now aged Lord Canek. He also tells of the arrival, reception and subsequent flight by night of Montez, one of the early Spanish conquerors, in 1525. The Spaniards, besieged and almost without provisions, tied a dog to a rope of a bell and placed food just beyond his reach. His efforts to get the food kept the bell ringing and deceived the natives into believing their captives were still there. When the ruse was discovered, the little band of Spanish soldiers was nearly out of the enemy's reach. The writer expresses the belief that the natives, desiring to be rid of their burdensome guests, shut their eyes and let them escape unmolested.

TALKS ON THRIFT.

By T. D. MAC GREGOR. In a period of high cost of living like the present it behooves every man to look well to the purchasing power of his dollars, not only as indicated by market reports, but more particularly the skill and wisdom with which his dollars are expended. Over market prices he has little, if any, control, while the other is quite within his province to regulate.

The dollar a man spends should buy its full measure of value; the dollar he saves should earn its full measure of interest.

The dollar of today can buy no more than 65 cents ten years ago. In other words, had you placed a dollar in the savings bank ten years ago and left it undisturbed, you would find, upon drawing it out today and going to market, that even with its increase in value due to the working of compound interest, it would be no more effective in satisfying your wants than was the original sum. While it was growing in size, it was contracting in its power to buy.

We are apt to get the notion that thrift is merely the saving of money, and judge a man's thrift by the number and frequency of his visits to the savings bank, forgetting that thrift is just as much proved by the way a dollar is spent as by the number of dollars earned. Spending is, perhaps, a finer

In almost every department, clearance prices are in evidence.



SIMON & LANDAUER Corner Second and Harrison, DAVENPORT

Same service and satisfaction guaranteed as in the early season. Money's worth or back.

Big reductions on fine clothes for men

This is our time of clearance for summer stocks. We go on the theory that most of you have bought what you need for the present; and that we must make some real inducements to you to buy now the things you'd like extra. The inducement is in the "reducement" of prices; we don't make any change in the quality of the goods. Hart, Schaffner & Marx and Yorkshire Clothes are as good as clothes can be; as good as anybody wants. When we reduce the prices, we simply add that much to the value you get, and on general principles, you're going to buy things that give you good value for your money.

Look at These Items:

The balance of our special purchase of a few weeks ago are included in this sale. The patterns include neat pin stripes on blue, gray and brown. They were splendid values at \$15 and \$18. They're clearing now at \$11.

YORKSHIRE, and Hart, Schaffner & Marx choicest fancy summer suits; English and sack suits, Tartans, checks, stripes, values from \$27.50 to \$35. Clearing now at \$22.

The S. & L.' famous line of \$25 fancy suits are included in this sale at \$16. The choicest fabrics and models of the season are represented in these clothes. Values from \$20 to \$25, Clearing at \$16.

Trouser Clearing at \$4.85 instead of \$6.50 and \$7.50

Straws Clearing at 75c instead of \$1.13 instead of \$1.50 \$1.50 instead of \$2.00 \$2.25 instead of \$3.00 \$2.63 instead of \$3.50 \$3.00 instead of \$4.00 \$3.75 instead of \$5.00 \$5.75 instead of \$7.50

Shirt Clearing at 59c instead of 75c \$1.38 instead of \$2.00 79c instead of \$1.00 \$1.98 instead of \$2.50 \$1.15 instead of \$1.50 \$2.65 instead of \$3.50 \$3.95 instead of \$5.00

Wash Ties Clearing at Manhattan tub ties, hundreds of them, sold at 50c, now 25c. All 25c wash ties, 15c; 2 for 25c.

Pajamas Clearing at \$1.15 instead of \$1.50 \$1.98 instead of \$2.50 \$1.38 instead of \$2.00 \$2.95 instead of \$3.50

Reductions throughout the Boys' Section

Splendid response greeted the opening announcement of this sale. The best in Boys' Apparel is here; Suits, Shirts, Hats, Underwear, Waists, all reduced in a way to insure quick clearance.

Fancy Suits Reduced	Wash Suits Reduced	Straw Hats Reduced	Trousers Reduced
\$ 3.95 Suits to \$ 2.95	\$1.50 Suits to \$1.18	50c Hats to 35c	\$1.00 Trousers to 75c
\$ 5.00 Suits to \$ 3.75	\$1.95 Suits to \$1.46	\$1.00 Hats to 75c	\$1.50 Trousers to \$1.10
\$ 6.50 Suits to \$ 4.58	\$2.50 Suits to \$1.88	\$1.50 Hats to \$1.18	\$2 & \$2.25 Trousers to \$1.40
\$ 7.50 Suits to \$ 5.68	\$2.95 Suits to \$2.21	\$2.00 Hats to \$1.50	\$2.50 & \$3 Trousers to \$2.10
\$ 8.50 Suits to \$ 6.65	\$3.50 Suits to \$2.63	\$2.50 Hats to \$1.98	UNDERWEAR
\$10.00 Suits to \$ 7.50	\$3.95 Suits to \$2.96	\$3.50 Hats to \$2.68	25c Poroknit 18c
\$12.50 Suits to \$ 9.38			25c Balbriggan 19c
\$15.00 Suits to \$11.25	BLOUSES REDUCED		25c Mesh, the suit 19c

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SPECIALS FOR SATURDAY

NEW APPLES, per basket, 25c
FRESH TOMATOES—Home grown, extra fine ripe tomatoes, basket 25c
SUGAR—The best H. & E. granulated sugar, 20 lbs. for \$1.00
SWEET CORN—The most delicious corn you ever tasted, fresh pulled, tender and of fine flavor, dozen 12 1/2c
CUCUMBERS—We will have a fresh supply Saturday morning of those slender long green, 2 for 15c
PEACHES—Very fine Yellow Freestone peaches, for slicing; put up in baskets, each 25c
PLUMS—Good sized California Blue or Red plums, dozen, 10c

OLIVES—A regular 20c size bottle of Queen olives, special, Saturday 15c
OLIVE OIL—Use more Olive oil and be more healthy; a full quart of the finest Italian oil, regular \$1.00 size, for 89c
CHOCOLATE—Genuine Baker's chocolate, 25c cake, 1 to a customer 15c
DILL PICKLES—Heinz' genuine German dills, kept in our cooling room; they are perfect and would be fine to take along to that picnic, dozen 20c
SHREDDED WHEAT—Two packages for 25c
RICE—The finest large Carolina head rice, in clean sacks, 10c

Package of Tea Free

Cut out this Coupon and present at this store and get absolutely FREE a package of "Camel" brand Japan tea, an excellent tea you will like it.

JELLY—A large jar of pure fruit and sugar Grape jelly, at 19c
SARDINES—Imported in pure Olive oil, 15c can for 7 1/2c

Can of Coffee Free

Cut out this Coupon and present at this store and get absolutely FREE a one-pound can of Camel brand Steel Cut coffee, a most delicious coffee, and you can't help but like it.

POTATOES—Extra fine good sized home grown potatoes, per peck 45c
LEMONS—Best California, dozen 31c

SITTIGS

No trouble to get us—Two Phones, 12 and 59—Just call up.

art than earning; for all can earn, but few can spend wisely. Given an equal income, some will live well and prosper, while others will run into debt. It is simply the knack of knowing how, and when, and where to buy, and having the cash to pay. Witness the very poor. They are proverbially thriftees, perhaps of necessity in a good many cases. Coal by the pile, meat by the ten cents' worth, clothes and furniture on the installment plan—the most costly method.

Granted that a man is thrifty and has a surplus at the week's end, what shall he do with it? Buy a lot in some deserted section—a dollar down and a dollar a week for fifty years? Listen to the lure of the get-rich-quick scheme and buy a twenty-per cent stock? Buy

a house and stop paying rent, and begin to worry? No, none of these—yet. The pathway of thrift leads straight to the savings bank, for therein is profit and safety.

The savings bank and the savings department of other sound banks were instituted for the small saver. Their fundamental purpose is to assemble the savings of the masses, invest them wisely and pay over a goodly share of the profits by way of interest-dividends to the depositors. In such an institution he is on safe ground. He cannot, as a rule, go wrong. It is the beginning of good things for every man who will get the habit and keep it up.

All the news all the time—The Argus.

THE MOVIES

The Beauty company, with that charming little artist, Margerita Fischer, twinkling, is living up to its reputation in their latest success, "The Tale of a Tailor." It is funny, realistic and artistic, to say the least.

The sensational comedy success, "Seven Days," which had a record-breaking run in 402 consecutive performances at the Astor theater in New York, is now being released by the Klaw & Erlanger company.

And now comes the flash that Mary Fuller, who "just grew up" with the Edison company, has left them to form

a company of her own. Her plays will be put out with a Universal stamp on them.

Charles J. Hite, president of the Thanouser Film corporation, is the first manager to present Ellis F. Glickman, foremost of Jewish character actors, on the screen. Mr. Glickman has played more than 800 character parts on the speaking stage. He was formerly leading man for Bertha Kalich. The first motion picture in which he appeared was "Repentance," a late Thanouser success, and a new play, "The Last Concert," has recently been completed for him.

Talk not a good life, but let thy good life talk.—Schiller.