

NEWS OF THE NEIGHBORS

DAVENPORT

Champion Gotch Coming.—Frank Gotch, the champion wrestler of the world, who won his laurels in Chicago in defeating Hackenschmidt, the Russian Lion, will be in Davenport May 27. He will appear at the Grand in connection with a vaudeville show, and offers \$100 to any one he cannot throw in 15 minutes. Gotch will return to Humboldt, his home, on June 15, on which date a big barbecue is being planned in his honor. On that occasion all the banks and business houses will close for the day.

High School Loses.—Two errors and a wild throw with two men on bases in the ninth inning with the score 2 to 1 in favor of the high school, lost the game for the Davenport high school students Saturday afternoon at the college campus, and when the ball was finally gathered in three men had scampered across the plate and St. Ambrose college won the otherwise lost contest by a score of 3 to 2.

Shooters Form Club.—The Bettendorf nimrods have organized a shooting club, with the following roster: President, Max Langer; vice president, Delef Kahl; secretary, Joseph Kneipp; members, Clarence Brown, J. C. Kohle, Emil Bornemann, Charles Kohl, August Kroege, Peter Schlueter.

Headquarters Stay Here.—The Travelers Protective association at the

state convention at Keokuk reelected L. W. McKown state president and Frank Rainbow state secretary and treasurer, which means that the state headquarters remain in this city for at least another year. As this was one of the objects sought by the delegation from Davenport, it shows that the pushing qualities have not failed aspirants from this section. The Travelers Protective association of Iowa also elected M. S. Like, W. E. Peterson, Gus Eckhardt and J. D. McCollister of Davenport members of the board of directors, the others elected to the board being Bert R. Day, Cedar Rapids; T. M. Hume, Burlington. For first vice president, Louis Roth, Cedar Rapids, was chosen; for second vice president, H. C. Stearns, Mason City, and for third vice president, J. S. Beard, Burlington. Burlington gets the next state convention.

Still Richest in Iowa.—The city of Davenport still retains its reputation for wealth and is again recorded as the richest city at least in the state of Iowa, in personal property, moneys, credits, corporation stocks, etc. Not only have the banking records of the United States shown this city to be in the lead of all cities for wealth of its citizens, and especially was this fact remarkable during the time of the recent panic which afflicted so many cities so seriously, but the local records at the city assessor's office after completing his assessments testify to this fact. According to the statements in the assessor's office, Des Moines, with a population almost

twice that of Davenport, is the nearest competitor of Davenport in this respect. The records at the assessor's office show that the actual value of personal property in Davenport for the year 1908 is \$18,346,960, against \$17,224,920 for last year, and a year ago Des Moines had only \$12,656,880 in personal property according to the official figures from the office of the Des Moines city assessor.

MILAN.

Mrs. Mary Goblen is sick at her home on Water street with stomach trouble.

Dr. Henry Cullen was called to Rural Wednesday to conduct the funeral of Mrs. Dorothy C. Dahm. James H. Asay and Miss Oline C. Acker of Mount Carroll, Ill., were married at the parsonage of Dr. Henry Cullen, their former pastor, Tuesday evening.

E. L. Rhoadamer and family entertained Mr. Rhoadamer's sister, Anna Rhoadamer of Iowa City, the first of the week.

Miss Mary Crawford who has been ill the past seven weeks is convalescing nicely. Other members of the family who have typhoid fever are all getting along nicely and hopes are entertained that they will soon all be well again.

F. L. Lamphere who has been keeping hotel at Sherrard has sold out and is looking for a house in Milan.

Dr. Sarah Olmsted of Clinton, Iowa, attended the alumni banquet of the Milan school Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Heath and granddaughter, Esther Smith of Toulon, spent Saturday in Milan.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dibbern and granddaughter returned from their Missouri trip the first of the week and report a fine time. They are now enjoying a visit from Mrs. George Smith, a former neighbor, who is now a resident of California.

The family of Al Fels are having a serious time. Four members are down with typhoid fever.

James McQuaid went to Colorado last week called there by the death of a brother.

Mrs. Kester McMichael who has been quite ill is better.

The graduates of the Milan high school held their first alumni banquet at the town hall Friday evening. The first graduate finished school in 1881, when Miss Nora Vanderslice, now Mrs. C. H. Thompson, completed the course. She is still living in Milan, but owing to illness could not be present but sent greetings. A large number of graduates and their friends were present and a very enjoyable evening was spent. An association was formed and officers elected. C. H. Smith was elected president and Miss Sherman secretary.

The Theaters

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COMING ATTRACTIONS.

June 5—Commencement Exercises, High School.

The Elite.

(Eighteenth Street, North of Second Avenue.)

Vaudeville at 3, 8 and 9:15 p. m.

The Family.

(Second Avenue, East of Nineteenth Street.)

Vaudeville at 3, 8 and 9:15 p. m.

Best Play of Her Career.—Mary Manning, the charming and capable young actress, has, it is said, in her new vehicle, "Glorious Betsy," which is at the Burtis, Davenport, tomorrow, the best play of the year. The author of the new play is none other than Ride Johnson Young, who wrote "Brown of Harvard." Miss Manning, who is well known on the stage, began her career when about 15 years of age. It is one of those peculiar things we hear about that played the decisive part in her earlier career. Some friends happened to see the young girl's picture at an exhibition in London. They were charmed by the beauty and expressiveness of the face. The original, then but 15 years old, was living quietly with her friends and her picture was on view only because an artist had admired her beauty and obtained permission to transfer it to canvas. These friends, one of whom was Kyrle Bellew, induced her to go upon the stage.

Chicago's Newest Theater.—Chicago's newest and most beautiful theater, The Princess, will be opened June 1, with a sumptuous production called "A Stubbhorn Cinderella," according to an announcement by Manager Mort H.

MOLINE

More Teachers Resign.—Miss Louise Brown, teacher of English in the high school; Miss Alice Barr, teacher at the Ericsson school, and Miss Jannette Warnock, grade teacher at the Willard school, will not return to the local teachers' corp next year. All three have presented their resignations to B. B. Jackson, superintendent of schools, who in turn has handed them to the teachers' committee, of which George W. Wood is chairman. This committee was given power by the board at the last regular meeting to accept all resignations and to fill all vacancies. These three resignations increase the number presented to five, Miss Minnie George, kindergarten supervisor, and Miss Edith Ball, music instructor, having previously signified their intention of not returning.

Agencies in the East.—E. W. Nicholson of the Midland Motor company has returned from New York city and other eastern points where he has established four agencies for his company. He took one of the new Midland cars with him and it made a decided hit with the eastern experts. Another car will be shipped immediately. Beside a New York agency Mr. Nicholson started one each in Providence, R. I., Philadelphia and Baltimore. He says that the automobile business in the east is booming and that there is every prospect for large sales this summer.

Steel Mill Resumes.—The 12-inch mill at the Sylvan steel works was started today with the day shift. Manager Steinbrader announces that the works have orders for a good long run. This will mean the employment of 150 to 200 men.

May Fight Annexation.—Provided it is apparent that the majority of property owners in that territory recently annexed to Moline are against annexation, an injunction will be applied for to the circuit court preventing the city from formally annexing the territory on merits of the petition which was presented to the city council and which the objectors to annexation assert is entirely illegal. At the mass meeting which was held at Ridgeview school house, G. W. McCaskrin was present and addressed the objectors. He advised the objectors to ascertain the sentiment of the residents in the district annexed and in case the sentiment is strong enough to warrant proceedings in court he advised them to ask for an injunction restraining the city from levying assessments on the residents of the district and the annexation proposition be objected to in court on the merits of the petition which he alleges is illegal. No definite action was taken but the two committees, the finance and administrative, were continued. The financial committee was instructed to solicit funds immediately, it being necessary to raise at least \$200 before court proceedings can be started.

Singer, who is also manager of the well known La Salle theater, the original Chicago home of musical comedy. The opening of the Princess theater marks the beginning of a new chapter in Chicago theatricals. It is the first downtown Chicago theater erected under the new building code, which has been copied all over the world. The structure represents the climax of the theater builder's attainments. Not only will the theater itself be a standard of excellence and safety, but the production will be the most lavish and ambitious ever put on the stage by a Chicago manager, and the company will include the most talented available comedy stars. "A Stubbhorn Cinderella" is by Will Hough, Frank Adams and Joseph Howard, authors of "Honeymoon Trail," "The Girl Question," "The Time, the Place and the Girl," and other well known La Salle successes. It will be in three acts, and will admit of gorgeous scenic display, the scenes being laid on the campus of the University of Chicago, in the mountains of Arizona and the Pacific coast. The last act will show the natatorium of the famous Cordado Beach hotel, California. Jack Barrymore, brother of Ethel Barrymore, will head the new Princess stock company. Mr. Barrymore is without doubt one of the most popular comedians of the day, and his appearance in "The Boys of Company B" last year won him a host of Chicago friends. Miss Sallie Fisher, star of "Sergeant Brue," and as comical and graceful a comedienne as there is in America or Europe, will head the feminine contingent of the company. Miss Alice Dovey, fresh from conquests in London, will be another member of the company. Jean Salisbury, Hazel Cox, James C. Marlowe, Robert Harrington, Dan Young, Allan Brooks, Fred R. Stanton, Charles Prince and a chorus of forty will appear. The high plane of the production is indicated by the engagement by the Princess management of George Marion, formerly chief producer for Henry W. Savage, to stage "A Stubbhorn Cinderella." Mr. Marion produced "The Merry Widow," "Madam Butterfly," "The College Widow," "The Prince of Pilsen," and all the other big Savage successes of the last five years. William Loralne, composer of the "Peggy From Paris," mu-

sic, will be permanent musical director. The new Princess theater is located on the east side of Clark street, just south of Jackson boulevard. It will seat 1,000 persons. It will contain no gallery, and a perfect view of the stage can be had from any seat in the house. The ventilation, heating and cleaning systems will be models of their kind, and doubtless will be copied in other theaters all over the world. The only wood used in the construction of the playhouse is that in the stage, laid over cement. There will be 25 exits, and two passage ways will run on either side of the house from front to back. The house will be beautifully furnished in pearl gray and rose. The lobby will be handsomely laid in mosaic. The completed theater will cost \$225,000.

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