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TWENTY-THIRD YEAR. NO. 15

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CITY SCHOOLS AT WORK

Large Enrollment Of Pupils In
All Grades, Eager For The
Fall And Winter
Campaign

MANY FOREIGN PUPILS

Superintendent and Teachers Getting
Work Systematized In Excellent
Shape For Best Results

The first week of school is always a strenuous one for both teachers and pupils especially the teacher who has many questions to answer and many plans to devise, but the efficient corps of instructors engaged by our school board have shown that they are equal to the occasion and each department is now moving along smoothly.

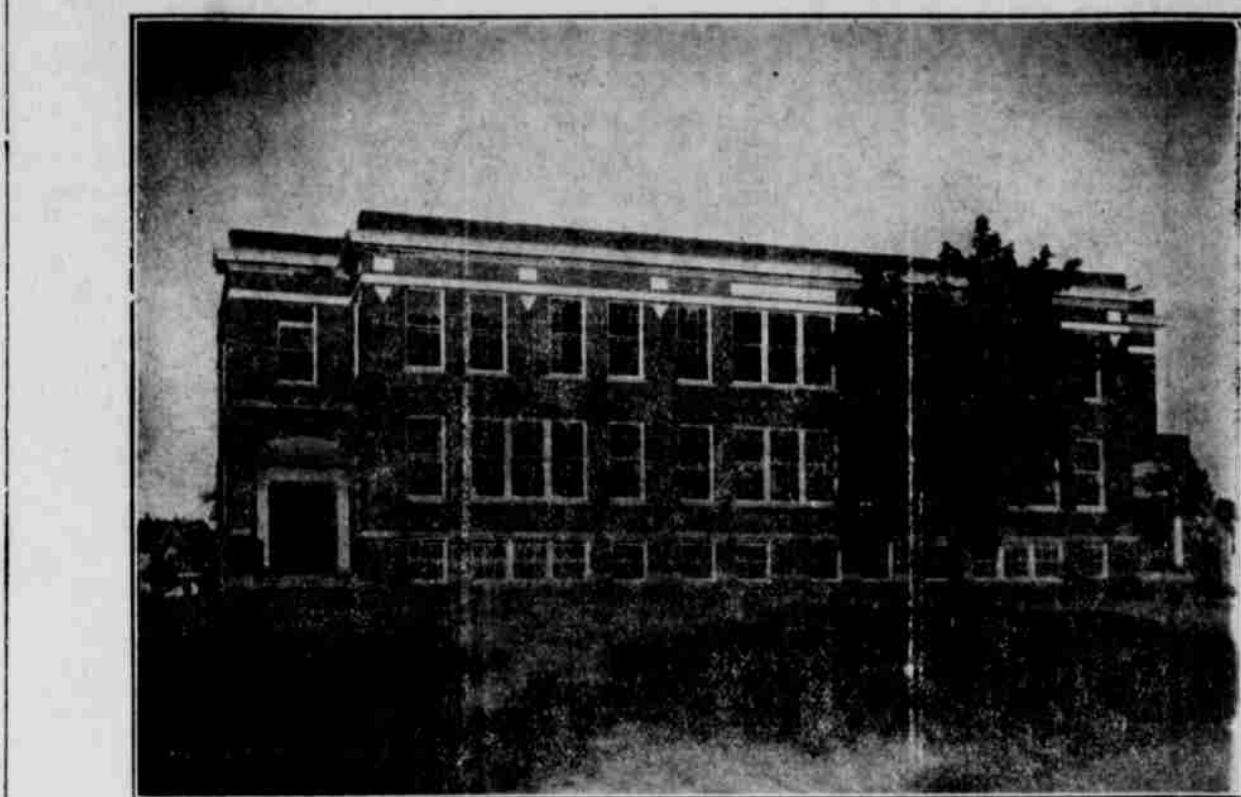
Superintendent Frank C. Jones reports a total enrollment of six hundred and fifty-five. In the high school room there are one hundred and forty scholars being an increase over that of last year, which was only one hundred and twelve. There is also an increase in the foreign pupils, the number now being fifty-four while last year there were only twenty-eight an evidence that our school is well up in all lines of studies, and kept up by a competent superintendent and corps of instructors. The fifth and sixth grades are so congested that it has become necessary for the board to engage a new teacher to help out in the department.

The manual training department is being made a special feature and productive of much good, boys in the ninth and tenth grades are given an opportunity to take the work if they so elect, and a fine class has already been chosen.

A high school orchestra is being organized and the rehearsals give evidence that there is talent of high order among the students.

The teachers are anxious and ambitious to keep in touch with the latest and up to date methods of teaching, and at the last teachers meeting voted unanimously to attend the State Institute to be held in Detroit in November, at which time the school will close two days to allow the teachers to attend. Our schools are certainly up very near the top rung in the ladder.

Don't miss seeing Prof. Tubbs and his startling Hippodrome acts, free between the races at the Greenville Fair.



BELDING'S NEW CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

FIRST IN MICHIGAN

The Chickering Family Reunion Was
Held Last Week

The seventh annual reunion of the Chickering family was held at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Chickering in Orleans September 4th. Fifty-four persons sat down to a fine picnic dinner which was served on a long table set in the grove. Dinner was followed by a business meeting and a short program of recitations.

Guests from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Chickering, Mrs. Tillie Tubbs and daughter, Miss Ruth of Royalton, Ohio, Mrs. Julia Stawson and daughter, Miss Ella, Mrs. Lucy Evans and daughters, Misses Grace and Florence and Mr. Jessie Tubbs all of Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. Mary Harmond of Quincy, Mich., Mrs. Ida Povey of Lansing, Mr. Frank Chickering and sister, Mrs. Pierson of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. George Chickering and children of Greenville, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Russel, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Lind of Belding, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Croel and children of Ionia.

The day passed very pleasantly in visiting and towards the close several groups, two of them including all present, were photographed. This is the first Chickering reunion held in the state of Michigan the six preceding ones have been held in the city and vicinity of Cleveland, Ohio. It was a most pleasant and profitable one.

Miss Leona Foy of Kalamazoo returned home Saturday after a week's visit with her aunt, Miss Ella Meglin. She was accompanied home by her grand-father, Samuel Meglin.

REDMOND--DAUGHERTY

Nuptial Knot Was Tied In Ionia--
Popular Hoosier Couple Wed
While On Their Vacation

The marriage of Mr. Charles Redmond of Princeton, Ind., and Miss Mary I. Daugherty of the same city took place in Ionia, at Hotel Bailey Thursday, September 6th., Rev. W. K. Spencer being the officiating clergyman.

The bride is a sister of Mrs. Charles Dilday of this city who came here a few weeks ago in company with another sister, Mrs. Lillian Akers for a visit during her vacation. Mr. Redmond is a prominent contractor and business man of that city, and during a full in business improved the opportunity of making a visit here also. Miss Mary's sisters and Mr. Dilday were knowing to the fact that the couple were engaged and were to be married sometime, and they urged that the event take place in Michigan at once. The couple agreed, and an automobile party was formed the following day for a ride to Ionia. A reporter for the Ionia Standard makes a romance of it in this way:

"The absence of Miss Mary I. Daugherty of Princeton, Ind., while on her summer vacation at the home of a sister in Belding, began to pull on the heartstrings of Charles Redmond of the same city, with the result that he filled the gasoline tank of his auto and drove to the Silk City, arriving there on Thursday. Loading Miss Daugherty and Mesdames Lenora Dilday of Belding and Lillian Akers of Ft. Wayne, Ind., into the car, the journey was commenced for Ionia, where a marriage license was procured and the ceremony performed at the Hotel Bailey by Rev. W. K. Spencer. The bride was formerly deputy county clerk at Princeton."

Mr. and Mrs. Redmond left Saturday for their home in Indiana and will give their many friends there a great surprise.

WALLACE BLOCK SOLD

Charles G. O'Bryon Becomes Owner
Of That Fine Piece of Realty

One of the largest real estate deals which has taken place in our city for some time was consummated Tuesday, when Charles G. O'Bryon became the owner of the Wallace block.

The block was built by Nathaniel Wallace about twelve years ago and ever since his death and that of his wife it has been in the hands of the administrator, Maurice A. Reed, who has kept it up for the estate and made of it a good paying proposition. Mr. Wallace spared no pains or expense in its construction and it is one of the best in the city.

For some time Mr. O'Bryon has had the matter of its purchase under contemplation and the title being perfected recently the transfer was made as stated.

Mr. Wallace when alive put a price of \$12,000 on the property but in order to close up the estate Mr. O'Bryon got it for a lower figure.

Ed. Tallman Loses Barn

A large barn belonging to Ed. Tallman, located northeast of this city in Fairplains was struck by lightning at 8:30 Monday night and burned to the ground. All the contents consisting of harnesses, grain, hay and wagons were burned, but they succeeded in getting the horses out, Mr. Tallman going into the barn and cutting the halters while his employee drove the horses out. The barn and contents are insured.

HAPPY GATHERING

Jacob King Passed Eighty First Mile
Stone On Life's Journey

That was a happy gathering at the home of Mrs. Grant Steele last Friday when the brothers and sisters of Jacob King assembled to remind him that he was eighty-one years old. Eight of them were at the table with him, served by his son and daughter, Nate King of Lakeview and Mrs. Steele.

After dinner the company was entertained by Wid Howe and his violin, accompanied by Mrs. N. G. King at the piano. This part was in the nature of a treat to Mrs. King, whose father F. D. Stocking was for many years leader of Stocking and Clavin's band of which Mr. Howe was a part, and which furnished music for dancing all along the west coast of Michigan from Kalamazoo to Muskegon and most of the older members of the party at some time in their lives, danced to the same music. Mr. Howe and Mrs. King gave them most of the old tunes, nearly as they heard them played many years ago and reminded all of them of the days when they were younger.

Mr. King received a large pack of post card remembrances from absent friends. A melon feast on the lawn was part of the day's program, and the shadows were stretching towards the east when the visitors departed, wishing Jacob many happy returns of the day. Fred King of Hancock was among the visitors.

AMUSEMENTS

Manager Hetherington has secured as the next attraction at the opera house B. C. Craner's company in "The Widow McCarty," which comes to the Belding opera house, Tuesday evening, September 19th. It is one of the few attractions that made good money the past season when so many attractions have not prospered. The play possesses the attributes that go to make up an entertainment that is popular with all classes.

The "Widow" is bright, snappy, fast and piquant; and the music is the kind that makes the public sit up and take notice. It contains music enough for two such entertainments.

Ben Craner has added much to his reputation as a popular writer by this production, and has woven a fabric of fun and melody of sufficient strength to meet with success all over the country. The closing act is laid among the sands of Coney Island, the most famous of all summer resorts. The spectacle of the bathing girls, the board walk and the bath house on the beach does one almost as much good as a real visit to this resort in the good old summer time. Get ready for the great show and don't forget the date.

Bookings for September and October are as follows: Sept. 19, Widow McCarty; Sept. 27, Camille; Oct. 6, Girl from U. S. A.; Oct. 12, The Little Girl that he forgot; Oct. 21, Lyman H. Howe; Oct. 31, Sis Hopkins.

New Postal Law

The postal authorities at Washington, recognizing the liability of postmasters to make mistakes in getting letters in the wrong boxes, have fixed a penalty of \$200. on persons taking mail out of the office other than their own and not returning it at once. The law also includes newspapers. The excuses that it is the postmaster's fault "cuts no ice." If you have been getting other people's mail you had better take warning or you may get yourself in trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee McElroy went to Grand Rapids Tuesday.

THE IONIA COUNTY FAIR

Will Be Bigger And Better
Than Any Other Since
Organization

BEGINS SEPTEMBER 27TH

Fine Display Of Farm Products And
Great Attraction Have been se-
cured This Year

The Ionia Fair will be bigger and better this year than ever, many entries having been already made in several departments and every Hall will be taxed to its fullest capacity to take care of the show that will be made.

The Fair proper will open on Thursday morning September 28th when everything will be in readiness.

William Rainey Bennett will speak Thursday morning at 10:30 in the grove. Ple ty of seats will be provided and everything will be arranged for the comfort of the public.

The Association has secured the services of the Tennessee colored Quartet of Cleveland, Ohio. They will be in Ionia under the auspices of the Coit Lyceum Bureau and will spend their entire time during the two days of the fair amusing and entertaining the people. This Quartet is very popular, they come highly recommended and costs the association considerable money, but the management wishes to give the people a good, clean, wholesome amusement and you surely want to hear it.

Thursday afternoon the race program will be fast and exciting, and at four o'clock the ball game between Ionia and Portland. These teams are evenly matched have played several games during the season and they promise us a fast game at the Fair Grounds Thursday, September 28th.

The Midway is larger and better this year than ever before. There will be everything there to amuse the children and entertain the older folks.

The Grounds and track are in excellent condition and many new features have been added to make this Fair the most attractive in the history of the County. Come prepared to stay two full days.

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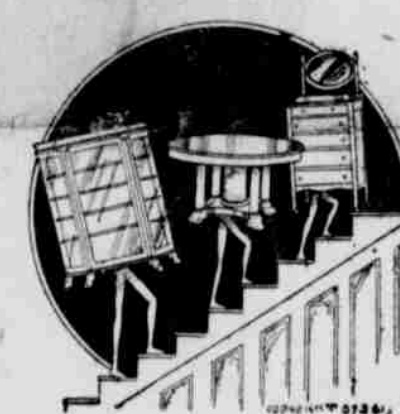
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