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NEWS FROM OUR EXCHANGES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.

Miss Bertha Steidinger, of Forrest, and Mr. John Kyburg, also of that place, were united in marriage Wednesday forenoon by Justice James H. Gaff in Pontiac. Mr. and Mrs. Kyburg left immediately after the ceremony for their future home in Forrest.

The following will be the rates of tuition in the Cullom schools for the next school year: All grades below the eighth, \$20 for the term; eighth and all grades above, \$30 for the term, tuition to be paid in advance. No pupils will be allowed to enter until the above terms are complied with.

Sheriff William Patterson took John Pouk to the county jail Tuesday morning to serve out a fine of \$25 and costs imposed by Justice William Burrell. Pouk was charged with allowing his geese to run at large. The geese ate up all of the gardens in the vicinity of Reading, where Pouk lives.

Tony Young, of Mansfield, who was arrested several weeks ago charged with creating a disturbance on a Toledo, Peoria and Western train between Chatsworth and Forrest, and who has been serving a sentence of thirty days in the county jail on the charge, was released Thursday morning, having completed his sentence.

Former County Treasurer A. F. Mette, now a resident of Nevada, has disposed of his general merchandise store at that place, trading it for western land. The stock has been shipped out of Nevada. Mr. Mette retained the implement business. He is postmaster and also conducts the elevator business there.

Ted Blinn, the Lincoln young man who was so badly injured in the automobile wreck east of Pontiac recently, is going to recover, as the following from the Lincoln News-Herald of Monday will indicate: E. D. Blinn and Dr. T. A. McDonald visited Ted Blinn at Brokaw Hospital in Bloomington Sunday and found the young man in an improved condition. Ted has had a hard pull, but he is going to pull through. He has exhibited lots of nerve.

While returning to his home in Reading township Monday night from Streator John Centko was set onto and badly bitten by three bulldogs, the property of a man named Brenn, who conducts a small store near the Livingston county line. The dogs chewed the arms and lower limbs of Centko in a horrible manner. He is now in a Streator hospital, where his condition is said to be serious. It took the efforts of several men to get the dogs loose from the person of Centko.

The village board of Cornell has just passed a new ordinance fixing the salaries of the village officers. The village clerk is to receive \$24 per month hereafter, besides \$1 for every extra meeting and 50 cents for every license he shall issue; the village treasurer is to receive a sum equal to one per cent of all moneys collected by him; the street commissioner is to receive the sum of 25 cents per hour for time actually spent by him in the performance of his duties, and the village marshal is to receive \$10 per month.

Martin Weichman, a well known young farmer residing in the vicinity of Flanagan, was adjudged insane Tuesday morning by a jury in the county court and was later taken to Bartonville for treatment. The young man was in a state hospital for a period of four or five months several years ago and was discharged, his condition being such that it was not necessary to keep him there. The recent hot weather has unbalanced his mind again it is said and he will be given further treatment there. His father is at present at the Kankakee state hospital.

Tuesday evening, July 16, at the home of Henry D. Wolf, 212 North Chicago street, Pontiac, occurred the marriage of his sister, Miss Jessie A. Wolf, of Stewardson, Ill., to Mr. Gerald G. Storm, of Chicago, Rev. John H. Ryan, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church, officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Storm left Wednesday morning for their future home in Chicago. The wedding was a very quiet one, only the members of the two families being present. Mrs. Storm is a charming young lady who has made her home in Stewardson practically all her life and is highly respected and honored in that place. Mr. Storm is a young man of sterling worth and is well connected in Chicago.

C. A. Veatch, the veteran mail clerk of Pontiac, while engaged in cleaning an old trunk at his home several days ago, ran across an old copy of the Chicago Republican. The paper is but a single sheet about fourteen inches wide and eighteen inches long, printed on both sides. The date was October 13, 1871, being four days after the great Chicago fire. The entire contents were articles pertaining to the fire and its after effects. But very few advertisements were carried, those being where former business houses might be found.

A large crowd gathered at Chautauqua Park in Pontiac Wednesday afternoon to witness the graduating exercises of eighth grade pupils from all the townships in Livingston county. Nearly all the 251 graduates were present, most of them being accompanied by their parents. The principal address was delivered by Rev. Frank G. Smith, of Chicago, after which the three pupils having the highest average were presented with medals and three with scholarships in the Pontiac township high school. The music for the occasion was furnished by the glee club.

Samuel R. Puffer, of Chatsworth, closed a deal on Thursday of last week whereby he has leased from the Illinois Central Railroad company their elevator in Chatsworth, which has been conducted by James Kerrins, and has also purchased of Mr. Kerrins his coal sheds, etc., and has taken possession of the business, which he will conduct in the future. Mr. Puffer is no stranger to the grain and coal trade in Chatsworth, having been engaged in the same business there a few years ago, and he no doubt will enjoy a share of the business of the community. Mr. Kerrins, who has conducted the business for seventeen years, has a host of friends who regret to see him discontinue it. He has not announced his plans for the future.

Sheriff William A. Patterson and Deputy Sheriff J. R. C. Ives were in Reading township Wednesday evening, where they shot two of the bulldogs belonging to A. J. Brenn which bit and mangled the person of Andrew Centko one evening this week. One of the dogs had been shot by a mob which gathered about the house on Tuesday night. The other two dogs were shot by Sheriff Patterson Wednesday evening, although against the wish to Brenn. The people in the neighborhood in which Brenn resides are very bitter against him and his attitude in refusing to have the dogs killed after they had bitten Mr. Centko. Centko is still in a Streator hospital, but it is expected to have him removed to the Pasteur institute in Chicago as soon as possible.

Philip Sohn, one of the most prominent and highly respected German residents of Forrest township, died Tuesday while at work putting up hay. He had just come in from the field with a load of hay and was preparing to assist in unloading it, when he suddenly fell to the ground and died before aid could reach him, death being the result of heart trouble. Deceased had lived in this county for many years, and had accumulated much of this world's goods, owning nearly a section of land in this county, besides land in Indiana. His home south of Forrest is one of the most complete farm homes in the county. He is survived by his wife and six children. The funeral services were held at the south German Apostolic Church on Wednesday and was largely attended.

The identity of the man found dead along side of the Wabash tracks, four miles south of Forrest, on Thursday of last week, is still a mystery. Coroner Snyder impaneled a jury consisting of R. J. Riley, foreman; Louis Wingfield, Frank Kruger, J. W. Budd, R. J. Dixon and J. W. Brown. They at once proceeded to the place where the body lay. They found the remains in a badly decomposed state and it was evident the man had been dead three or four days. An examination did not reveal anything in the man's pockets to identify him by and there were apparently no marks or bruises on the body. The dead man was about 35 years old and 5 feet 8 inches tall. It is thought he may have fallen off some train on which he was stealing a ride. The jury rendered a verdict of death from an unknown cause.

Phillip Sohn, a well known farmer living in the vicinity of Strawn, dropped dead while at work in the field Monday. The cause is supposed to have been heart disease. The deceased had been a resident here for about twenty years, the family home being three miles north of Strawn. He is survived by his wife and six children.

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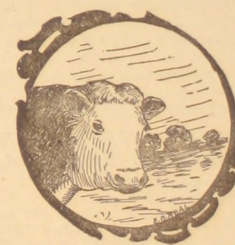
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