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NEWS FROM OUR EXCHANGES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.

Ten blocks of concrete sidewalk put down in Forrest last fall by Contractor John Devere, of Kankakee, are being torn up and replaced by him, the work having been found defective.

The Forrest board of education has voted to place a commercial course in the high school, a feature which no doubt will prove a success and which ought to be the means of greatly increasing the attendance.

A marriage license was issued in Peoria last Saturday to Miss Mabel Geisley, of Galesburg, aged twenty, and Lewis Kiser, aged forty-five, of Pontiac. Mr. Kiser is employed as porter in the Elks' clubrooms in Pontiac.

In harvesting his oats this year Fred McCloud, of near Odell, used a small gasoline engine in operating the binder while horses pulled it through the fields. It was the only one in use in the county and was very satisfactory.

Married last Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, at the Methodist parsonage in Pontiac, Rev. J. H. Ryan officiating, Mr. Jesse Egley, of Geneva, Ind., to Miss Ida Schenbeck, of Hesperia, Mich. The bride is a sister of Mrs. William Locke, of Pontiac.

On last Saturday evening at the home of Rev. J. H. Ryan in Pontiac, Alfred Henry Kirchhoff and Miss Margaret Gray were united in marriage. Both parties were from Chicago, where they will continue to make their home.

Ted Blinn, the young man from Lincoln who was so badly injured when an automobile in which he was riding turned turtle near the brick school house east of Pontiac some weeks ago, has regained about his normal health and Monday was able to run an automobile about the streets of Lincoln.

William McDermott, Pets Petko, Edwin Baurell, Andrew Petko and Robert Brown, four Streator boys, who have been serving sentences of forty days each in the county jail at Pontiac, were released Wednesday afternoon and returned to their homes. The boys were convicted on the charge of destroying the bleachers and other property of the Streator ball park.

Leslie Shepherd, who has the run as brakeman on the train leaving Fairbury at 4:15 a. m., was severely injured at Forrest on Sunday morning. He was engaged in switching some cars, and went to jump on the footboard of the engine and missed the step. Fortunately he got a firm hold with his hands and was able to hold himself, or he would have fallen under the moving engine. As it was, his shoulder and side were severely wrenched, but he held his run to Peoria. His injuries are very painful and he is unable to be on his run at present.

Sunday morning while Peter Verden, John Bradshaw, Frances Craven, Jr., and Grace and Etta Bradshaw and Maude Wykes, of Odell, were taking a ride in Verden's new car with Peter Verden at the wheel, he lost control of the machine, which resulted in its turning completely over, alighting right side up again, but no one was seriously injured, while the machine was badly damaged.

Nate Hutson, a Rooks Creek farmer, had his right leg broken Sunday when an automobile which he was directing to a position in the Chautauque paddock ran into him. Both bones were broken below the knee, the largest one twice. The injured man was removed to the hospital in an automobile driven by his son, J. T. Hutson. The machine which ran into Mr. Hutson was driven by O. P. H. Noel, of Saunemin. It is said that it was running slow.

Tuesday morning at 9:15 o'clock at the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. W. T. Paullin, pastor of the First Baptist Church at Pontiac, occurred the marriage of Miss Mary L. Emmons to Mr. John F. Myers. The bridal couple were accompanied by Miss Iva Pearl Emmons, sister of the bride, and Mr. Frank Thornton, of Chicago. The young couple are both well known in Pontiac, the bride being the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Emmons, of East Water street, and an employee of the Pontiac Shoe Manufacturing Company. Mr. Myers is the son of Mrs. Gladys Myers and is an employee of the A. M. Legg Shoe Company. After a short wedding trip the bride and groom will be at home to their friends at 601 E. Water street.

The bridge committee of the board of supervisors, consisting of Supervisors Zollinger, of Cullom; Spafford, of Saunemin, and Lyon, of Pontiac, Tuesday let the contract for the erection of a new steel and concrete bridge in Amity township to the Continental Bridge Company at its bid of \$1,385.

Ira H. Skinner, residing northeast of Cullom, was adjudged insane in the county court Monday morning and in the evening was taken to the state hospital at Kankakee. Skinner was until last April a patient at the Bartonville state hospital, and at that time was discharged, his condition being considered as stationary. His condition has grown worse during the recent hot weather.

During the progress of the fire in Pontiac about two o'clock Thursday morning, an attempt was made to burglarize the Alton passenger station. The burglar or burglars were scared away, however, before they had accomplished their purpose.

The Odd Fellow lodges in Kempton and the surrounding towns are planning a big picnic to be held in Kempton, probably on Thursday, Aug. 29.

Elizabeth Grahling, who recently died at Cullom, expressed the wish that her life history be sealed at her death. No facts were given out and the public will have to content itself with the fact that she had lived a very quiet life in Cullom for a good many years and died peacefully after being unconscious most of the time for a day. She was eccentric in several ways. She expressly stipulated that she be buried in a cheap coffin and that there be no flowers.

During the past week the men at the Cardiff mines have been very busy dismantling the mine. The tools, cars, rails, pumps and pipes were all out on Monday, and the electric light cables and cages were taken out Tuesday. The same afternoon the fires were raked from under the boilers and the entire works were boarded up. Thus has the history of another mining town been written in but a few words. Why the mine is being abandoned while there is still plenty of coal is hard to answer, but those in authority had decided to close it and thus it ends. The coal company has ninety-two empty houses which are all being boarded up. They also have a store which is still running at present.

The marriage of Miss Lucy M. Reinhardt and Mr. Will C. Quinn, both of Chatsworth, took place Tuesday morning at the Catholic parsonage at 6:30 o'clock. Rev. W. J. Burke performed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. John Quinn, brother and sister-in-law of the groom, were the attendants. A four-course wedding breakfast was served at the home of the groom's parents immediately following the ceremony. The bride wore a dress of white embroidery. They departed on the 8:55 north bound train for Chicago, New York and other places. After their return they will reside in the Meister house in the north part of town. The bride has been engaged in the millinery business here the past eight years and the groom is proprietor of the Quinn drug store. He is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Quinn, of Chatsworth.

If an old man about 60 years of age, wearing chin whiskers and mustache, heavy set, lame in left hip, carrying a cane and professing to be a piano tuner, approaches you, offering to make money for you sure, by playing the Chicago board of trade, don't fall for his smooth talk, but notify the police at once, as he is wanted by Sheriff Patterson of Livingston county. His game is to represent himself as a piano tuner on his way home from a trip around the world. He claims that he is immensely wealthy, having mansions, lemon groves, and the largest garage in the world in California, where he claims to live. He also claims to be an ex-congressman, a retired doctor, member of board of education in a large city, and a strong Methodist. During the conversation he tells you that he has watched the Chicago board of trade for two months and is thoroughly acquainted with its workings and is coining money by the thousands every week. He offers to let a few in just to help them along, tells you that you cannot lose, and as he makes things appear so rosy that it is only natural that one would like to risk a few dollars. A warrant for the arrest of the man is in the hands of Sheriff Patterson of Pontiac.

Real Estate Transfers.

Catherine Kern et al. to Farmers' Elevator Co. of Dwight, Ill., warranty deed, July 31, 1912, lots 8 and 9, blk. 11, Spencer's lot 5, block 9, Dwight; \$7,800.

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