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NEWS FROM OUR EXCHANGES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.

George Day, of Fairbury, found a corn stalk in his field from which was sprouting twenty-seven nubbins of corn. It frequently happens that two or three nubbins sprout where one should be, but twenty-seven is a remarkable number. The whole is covered with a very heavy silk.

C. A. McGregor, one of Pontiac's pioneers as well as one of its strongest boosters, this fall will give to the grower of the five best ears of corn brought to his store at the corner of Madison and Mill streets, and submitted in a competition with entries from other parts of the county, a 35-year gold case Elgin watch.

Jessie I. Walker has applied for a divorce from Arthur C. Walker. Both parties are colored and live in Fairbury. They were married in 1907 at Hammond, Ind. In 1909, the bill alleges, Walker threw his wife out of bed and kicked her in the back. Another time he struck her several times.

Mrs. Joseph Corbin, of Blackstone, received news Wednesday morning of the death, at her home at Pittsburg, Kan., of Mrs. Martha Swartz, wife of her brother, W. A. Swartz, both residents of this vicinity until a few years ago. The decedent is survived by the husband, a son of the late J. W. Swartz, and several children. Miss Etta Swartz, of Pontiac, a sister-in-law of the decedent, has gone to Pittsburg to attend the funeral.

Married, Wednesday, August 14th, 1912, at the St. Mary's parochial residence in Pontiac, Rev. J. H. Cannon officiating, Roy Spotts, of Prophetstown, Ill., and Miss Charlotte Jordan, daughter of Thomas Jordan, living west of Pontiac. The happy couple left on the afternoon Limited for Chicago, where they will spend their honeymoon. Returning they will go to Prophetstown to the farm of the groom, where they will make their home.

A quartet of Pontiac youths, C. H. and Edward Spaniol, Ford Bentley and Lesley Hanes, who are making a trip by water from their home to St. Louis to win a bet of \$100, which was made that they would not complete the trip by boat, arrived in Streator Wednesday morning in their two canoes, Red Devil and Dare Devil. They left home Monday night and put in fifteen hours actual rowing time between Streator and Pontiac. They will go down the Vermillion to the Illinois river and then on to St. Louis.

Clarence Fogarty, a young farmer residing near Odell, was arrested Sunday night in that town by Deputy Sheriff Ives on a charge of threatening the life of George Tate, caretaker of the Interurban Park. Fogarty is said to have come to the park intoxicated and in company of two young men friends. When Mr. Tate went to put Fogarty off the grounds the latter is alleged to have attempted to pull a revolver. He spent Sunday night in jail and Monday afternoon he was given a hearing before Justice James Gaff, and fined \$25 and cost. Fogarty was also held under \$500 peace bond.

The state crusade against unclean creameries and dairies has reached Pontiac. Wednesday morning Inspector W. E. Peabody arrived in Pontiac for the purpose of inspecting dairies which furnish milk and its by-products to the public. There are over twenty of them in and around the city and Mr. Peabody says that they must all conform to the requirements of the state law. All operators of milk dairies in Livingston county will be shut off from operating unless they come up to the standard of cleanliness prescribed by the state board of health. As long as unclean conditions exist they will not be permitted to offer their products for sale.

S. A. Demler, of Fairbury, last week was exhibiting and putting to practical test a patent fly catcher that certainly does the work. It is made of ordinary screen wire in tubular shape, being about two feet high and twelve inches in diameter. It differs from others on the market in that it has two walls of wire screen instead of one, there being an inch space between the two. It also has two wire cones leading up to the center and once the flies get into the outer cavern they are gone, and finally work up into the inside of the catcher. He has applied for patent papers, and expects to go into the manufacture of these traps on a large scale next year.

Leon Higbee, three miles north of Long Point, threshed his crop of oats Tuesday and reports a six-acre field to average 100 bushels an acre.

George Huber, a patient from Pontiac at the Kankakee insane hospital, escaped from the institution one day last week and made his way back home only to be captured and taken back to the hospital.

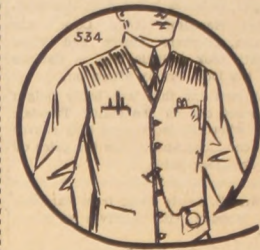
Tuesday night about midnight Yardmaster Kruger discovered seven men rifling a box car of merchandise in the Wabash yards at Forrest. With the assistance of a conductor, who was with him Kruger attempted to corral all of them and succeeded in capturing four—Earl Leonard, Herbert Mullen, Columbus Hughey and Leonard Dykes. They were brought to Pontiac Wednesday morning, given a hearing before Justice James Gaff and bound over to the October grand jury. Not being able to furnish bond they were taken to the county jail. The men are said to have sacked one car and were at work in another when surprised by the railroad employes.

News reached Streator Tuesday that Miss Emma L. Chitton, of Walkerton, Ind., and Fred Moreland, of Mannville, were united in marriage at South Bend, Ind. Mr. Moreland left Streator a few days ago, going to the home of his bride-to-be on a visit, while there a sister of Miss Chitton was taken seriously ill and carrying out her wishes, arrangements for the wedding were at once made and the ceremony performed. The stricken sister had hoped to see her sister married and realizing that her condition was critical the contracting parties agreed to wed at once. The groom is a son of W. C. Moreland, who resides in Streator, and is engaged in farming the old homestead near Mannville, Livingston county.

Peter Peterson, a farmer who lives south-east of Emington in Broughton township attempted to take his own life about 4 o'clock Monday morning. While in bed he cut his throat from ear to ear with a razor, he then got out of bed and put out the light, this awakened his wife. She thought something was wrong and got up to light the lamp, but he also got up and tried to stop her, she then called for help and their son Oscar came in to see what was wrong. Mr. Peterson had by this time got back into bed and covered up his head. The son and mother seeing blood on the bed knew something was wrong and with help they quieted him, and sent for Dr. Ross, of Kempton, and Dr. Brown, of Kankakee. Upon examination they found it was necessary to put in a silver tube for him to breathe through. While he may pull through, still his recovery is doubtful. It is thought Mr. Peterson had a relapse of his old trouble, as he has been in the asylum twice, but when let out the last time was considered cured.

During the progress of Tuesday's storm a big barn on the farm of C. Unzicker, one-half of a mile from Wing, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground. The horses and other live stock were saved, but the structure contained considerable hay and grain. At the W. J. Heylin home southwest of Saunemin, a crowd of threshers was watching the storm when a bolt of lightning struck a shock of oats close by and burned it up. The men were not injured but were badly frightened. At the home of John W. Lee, three and one-half miles southwest of Saunemin, a large door was blown off a crib, carried across the barn lot over two buggies and then was hurled against a porch post by the side of which the family had been standing only a few minutes before. In Owego township the wind blew down much corn and broke some fruit trees. It was one of the most terrific wind and rain storms of the season and swept over the southern and eastern parts of Livingston, the northern portion of McLean and practically all of Iroquois counties. Reports from Piper City and Gilman are to the effect that the gale gained such velocity there as to uproot large trees and pitch them over on the houses. Piper City further reported that train crews of the T. P. & W. brought the news to that place that a freight train was blown from the track at Watska and that other damage in the way of the destruction of small buildings resulted. The west bound trains on the T. P. and W. were delayed about three hours owing to trees and debris piled upon the right of way. Corn was bent to the ground and oats shocks in spots were scattered over the fields. The west bound T. P. & W. passenger due at Weston at 10:40 o'clock Tuesday forenoon, was stopped between Weston and Fairbury, the crew fearing to proceed against the raging storm.

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