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NEWS FROM OUR EXCHANGES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.

Herbert Johnson, aged 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Johnson, of Odell, died in Mercy Hospital, Chicago, at noon Tuesday of appendicitis. He was employed in the Pennsylvania insurance office. The body was taken to Odell Wednesday at 11 a. m. and interment was made in Odell cemetery Thursday.

A Mr. Brumruicker, employed by Roger Borkman, a drayman at Odell, was run over by a heavily loaded dray wagon at Odell Monday morning, receiving a broken and badly crushed leg. He was on top of a load of flour and was jolted off, falling under the wheels. One wheel ran over his leg, crushing and breaking it. The injured man was taken to St. James Hospital in Pontiac.

Miss Ella McIntosh and Don Merritt, both of Fairbury, were married in Chicago last Saturday. Miss McIntosh has been living with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Wade, her parents being dead. For the past two months she has been studying nursing in the Frances Willard Hospital. Mr. Merritt is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Merritt, of Fairbury, and is a traveling salesman. Mr. and Mrs. Merritt will reside in Chicago.

The automobile of Jonathan Schickadanz, a Pike township farmer, was struck by a north bound Alton passenger train several miles south of Pontiac just at dusk Tuesday evening and was completely demolished. Mr. and Mrs. Schickadanz and two other ladies were on their way home from Pontiac and in crossing the Alton tracks the engine of the automobile died. The occupants of the automobile noticing the oncoming passenger escaped just as the train hit the automobile and demolished it. They were taken to Pontiac on the train. The car was brand new.

Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, from the Methodist Church at Normal, was the funeral of the late Rev. Richard Crewes, whose death occurred last week in Stamford, Fla. Dr. W. R. Wiley had general charge of the services, Dr. R. B. Williams led in prayer and Rev. J. T. Jones read the scripture. Short addresses were given by Dr. Kemp, of the Wesleyan University. A quartette composed of Miss Daisy Bentley, Mrs. J. N. Washburn, Dr. Kesbeer and Professor Newell sang "My Jesus, I Love Thee," "In the Sweet Bye and Bye," and "Jesus, Lover of My Soul." A great number of the ministers throughout the conference attended the funeral and a great many representatives of different churches were present.

Harry Marlatt, the lineman of the Pontiac Light and Water Company, who was electrocuted several days ago, and later resuscitated is recovering from his burns at St. James hospital in Pontiac. The twenty different burns upon his body are now healing, and physicians have begun the grafting of skin upon the burns, there being 300 inches of skin to be grafted. The young man's mother has given about 15 inches of skin from her arm. H. Buland has given 6 inches from his arm. The surgeons have used a quantity of skin from spring chickens utilizing the skin under the wings, using pieces an inch square, with very good success, and expect to use the skin from about twelve chickens before they are through. The many fellow employes of Marlatt with the electric company have volunteered to give skin from their arms to help the burned man.

Charles Ririe, a well known barber, residing in Flanagan, was arrested last Saturday evening charged with assault upon the person of Guyler, a resident of Flanagan. It is claimed that the village of Flanagan is making some improvements in front of Ririe's residence in the way of putting down a new sidewalk. In the way of the walk stood a large tree which the family of Mr. Ririe highly prized and did not wish to have chopped down. Last Saturday Guyler went to the place to cut it down and Mrs. Ririe is alleged to have approached him with tears in her eyes and implored him not to touch the tree. Guyler is alleged to have made light of the matter and to have made slighting remarks toward Mrs. Ririe. She told her husband, with the result that he met Guyler and gave him a good beating. Ririe went to Pontiac Monday morning, pleaded guilty to the charge and paid his fine. The tree has been chopped down and Guyler is nursing a number of bruises.

An aviation meet will be held in Pontiac at Myers Field next Monday and Tuesday afternoons. Max Lilly, the well known aviator, will be the star attraction. He will fly from Chicago to Pontiac Monday, landing at Myers Field during the afternoon. He will carry passengers on several of his trips, one of whom is to be one of Pontiac's young ladies. She will be designated through vote, a vote being given with each admission ticket. The young lady being designated by vote as the most popular will be taken into the clouds if she wishes to go. There will also be other aviators who will show all of the latest stunts in flying.

Wednesday morning at the residence of Rev. and Mrs. John H. Ryan, on East Madison street, Pontiac, occurred the marriage of Miss Mabel Mathewson, of Pontiac, to Mr. Clarence Cottrell, of McDowell, Rev. John H. Ryan, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Cottrell left immediately after the ceremony for Chicago, and after a short honeymoon trip will make their home two miles west of McDowell, where the groom has erected a handsome little farm home and has it entirely furnished. The couple were attended by Miss Bauman and Harry Mathewson, brother of the bride, and Miss Ella Cottrell and Robert Cottrell, brother and sister of the groom. Mrs. Cottrell is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Mathewson, of Pontiac, she having grown to young womanhood there and has a large circle of friends. Mr. Cottrell is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cottrell, of McDowell, and is a young man of sterling character and worth.

Sheriff W. A. Patterson and Deputy Sheriff J. R. Ives went to Wing Sunday, where they arrested Hugh Burick on the charge of assault and threat to kill. He was brought by them to the county jail in Pontiac later in the day. It is alleged that Burick imbibed too freely of liquor Saturday after cashing a check for \$30. After he had wandered around Wing for some time after becoming drunk, it is said he discovered that his pocket-book containing the \$30 was missing. It is said that he suspicioned Emmett DeMoss, a resident of Wing, of the theft. He went home and secured a shotgun, which he loaded, and started out in search of DeMoss. He located him with others in a pool hall, and on entering ordered the entire party to throw up their hands and demanded of DeMoss the money which was missing. It is said that in order to satisfy Burick, DeMoss went out and secured \$30 from a friend and paid it over to Burick. It is alleged that after securing the money Burick threw the shotgun over a fence into a school yard and disappeared. He hid out all Saturday night and a portion of Sunday in a barn near Wing. DeMoss immediately had a warrant issued for the arrest of Burick and it was placed in the hands of the officers for service and his arrest followed. He was given a hearing Tuesday morning before Justice J. H. Gaff, of Pontiac, and was held to the grand jury under bonds of \$500. He furnished bond and was released.

In response to the call issued for a soil and crop improvement convention of Livingston county farmers to be held in Pontiac Thursday afternoon, about 200 of the representative farmers from all parts of the county were in attendance. Several weeks ago an organization was effected here, with W. H. Bentley, chairman, C. A. Rollins, secretary, and Omar Wagner, treasurer, and the plan is to employ a soil and crop expert for the county, his services to be paid by subscription by farmers at the rate of \$10 each per year, contracting to do this for a period of four years. Each subscribing farmer would be entitled to the services of the expert. The meeting was addressed by Bert Ball, of Chicago, secretary of the crop improvement committee of the Council of Grain Exchanges, a national organization. He made many very valuable suggestions to the farmers, showing that in their county organization they should have committees appointed from the most successful farmers on grain, roads, marketing, agriculture in schools, etc. He outlined the work which these committees could profitably perform. The meeting was also addressed by Prof. J. B. Eckhardt, of DeKalb, soil and crop expert for that county, who is now regularly employed there by a county farmers' organization. His address was along the lines of work proposed to be done in this new movement. The whole object of the movement is to increase efficiency in handling the soil, thus increasing the crop product. Into this enters largely the matter of pure and healthy seed.

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