

# GRUNDY COUNTY

## FROM MORRIS

WINTER ENTERTAINMENT COURSE—NOVELTY COMPANY REMAINS IN MORRIS—POSTMASTER APPOINTED—MORRIS MAN UNDER ARREST IN KANSAS CITY—OTHER NEWS ITEMS.

The 27th annual convention of supervisors, county commissioners and county clerks will be held in Morris October 28, 29 and 30.

In a runaway accident Saturday evening Peter Brewie, his wife and child were somewhat frightened and bruised but not seriously hurt. A front wheel coming off the buggy was the cause of the accident.

The Joliet Masonic fraternity has organized a special team of real ball players from their membership to play the Cedar Lodge team of Morris at the third annual picnic of the Morris Masons to be held at Gould's park on Labor Day.

In the county court a petition has been filed for letters of administration by Ed. J. Constantine in the estate of George Klughart. The latter died on August 23, the result of an operation, leaving an estate valued at \$20,000. Mr. Constantine is a nephew of deceased. F. H. Hayes is attorney for administrator.

Being blinded by the powerful headlight of John Timmins' Overland touring car, John Farrell, of near Kinsman, turned off to one side of the road and crashed into the railing of a creek bridge near the Dan Crowley farm south of Seneca. Farrell's mother and brother and sister, who were accompanying him were considerably frightened but not hurt. Rescuers were secured and the machine got back into the road, where it was found not much damaged, and the parties resumed their journey. Timmins was not considered to blame for the accident.

Wm. Butterworth, a long time resident of Morris, died at his home here on Sunday evening. Death was caused from chronic catarrh of the bladder, from which cause he had been in a helpless condition for many years. The deceased was born in England in 1837, and came to America at an early age. He came with his aunt, Mary Topper, to Morris in 1850, and resided with this aunt until her death, since which time he has been cared for by a housekeeper. Mr. Butterworth has been an invalid for forty years, and for the last few years has been almost helpless.

Monday afternoon Miss Florence Harrington, of Morris, and Edward Mueller, of Joliet, were united in marriage at the Catholic parsonage, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Father J. J. Darcy. They immediately left for a wedding trip to Michigan and later will go to Sharon, Pa., where they will make their home. The groom is a native of Joliet and is now employed as superintendent of a large building concern. He is sent to Pennsylvania by his employers, a Joliet firm, to superintend the erection of some large buildings. His bride is a Morris girl. She is a charming lady and has a wide acquaintance. Their many friends wish the young couple every happiness.

Daniel Flynn is another Morris man who has profited by the change of administration and he has started work as a guard in the State penitentiary at Joliet. He will probably move his family to Joliet.

The railroad workmen have started the work of installing the crossing gates on the Rock Island tracks in Morris and in a few days the gates will be in operation and the crossings will be much safer than they are present.

Fire broke out Sunday evening in an unoccupied house owned by John Ferris. It is thought that boys playing with matches caused the blaze. The firemen responded promptly and saved the building from burning down entirely.

Sheriff J. H. Francis, of Grundy County, has offered a reward for the discovery of the body of Roy McKean, the Chicago boy who lost his life in the Illinois River two weeks ago. A constant watch has been kept for two weeks, night and day, but the body has not been found.

Louis Holloway, of Wing, Ill., and C. R. Reardon, of Morris, became engaged in an auto collision in Morris Monday morning. Mr. Holloway was driving his car on the wrong side of the street and the two machines ran into each other in front of the Ostrom jewelry store. A tire burst on the Reardon machine, was about all the damage that was done. The man from Wing promised to pay for the damage and the affair quieted down.

The statement issued by the state highway commission last week allots \$10,585 to Grundy County and the county will have to expend a like amount which will make \$21,000 to be spent in building roads in this county between now and 1915. Grundy Coun-

ty, especially the south part, has many miles of hard roads now in use and with the big expenditure it will not take long to make this county one of the best in the state.

The dates for the winter entertainment course given under the auspices of the Morris fire department have been all arranged and the course will be given in the Empire Theater. Oct. 29, Kafir Boys Choir; Dec. 25, The Schuman Quintet; Jan. 6, The Avon Sketch Club and Glen Wells; Feb. 18, Sarah Mildred Willmer. The course given last year was a tremendous success and this year promises to be equally successful.

The teachers institute which was held in Morris last week closed Friday afternoon although a large number of teachers and several applicants for teachers' certificates remained over until Saturday to take the required examination. The institute was a big success and Prof. Coffman, who gave several talks to the teachers, is reported to be one of the strongest and most able speakers that has ever lectured at a Grundy County Institute.

Wm. Rufus, the colored hero who saved four people from drowning in the canal at Morris a few months ago and was married a short time afterwards to the lady of his choice, has decided that matrimony was not as successful as some claim it to be and has left for Iowa and did not take his bride with him. Rufus is a hero and will undoubtedly be awarded a medal by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission but he did not have the courage to stick in the matrimonial game.

Mayor W. E. Walsh has asked the city council to make a change in the method of taking care of the distribution of water to the public and wants a city plumber appointed and the water works put on a paying basis. Many are using a flat rate and getting water practically free while meters are out of repair and seldom inspected. The mayor called attention to the possibility of Morris being voted no license now that women have a vote and if they did the city would face a loss of \$10,000 a year in saloon licenses that would have to be made up in other ways and the water system afforded the best opportunity for an increase in revenues.

Louis Showers, who made a satisfactory settlement with the Boyle heirs last week and supposed his troubles were over for the present as far as the estate left by his deceased wife was concerned, had some trouble wished on him by Frank Stonich, of Joliet, who has filed suit to secure \$1000 on a promissory note given him by Showers May 29th. The money was borrowed to use in defending his case against the Boyle heirs following the death of his aged wife. The amount of the note with interest, costs and judgment is \$1,012.65. Showers claims he did not get over \$23.00 from Stonich and says he will fight the case to a finish, as if he signed the judgment note he did so in ignorance of what it was.

Mrs. Helen Hollenbeck is not satisfied with the amount of the dower awarded her by the appraisors appointed for that purpose and has filed a petition in the circuit court to have the amount fixed at the coming term of court. At the time of the administration of the estate the widow's award was fixed at \$500, the smallest amount possible, by John Maier, Thos. Talty and William Lindsay. At a hearing in the county court on the objections to this sum Judge Bedford sustained the objections and appointed J. A. Wilson, Henry Stocker and J. W. McKinley, of Morris, to make a new appraisal. The new appraisors fixed the amount at \$1,300, but the widow is still unsatisfied as the estate of the deceased husband was estimated to be worth \$84,800.

Mark Hamilton, a former Morris man, is under arrest in Kansas City charged with the killing of Frank Mooney with a butcher knife. The two men worked as meat cutters in a meat market in that city and became engaged in a quarrel and then started fighting with knives, the end of which was that Mooney fell dead with the knife thrust through his heart. Hamilton when arrested stated that the fight was the outcome of an old quarrel and that he had been abused so much by Mooney that he could not stand it any longer and that he killed him in self defense. Later reports from Kansas City bear out Hamilton's statements and it seems he was arrested on a warrant charging him with murder in the second degree. Hamilton was a resident of Morris most of his life as he came to this city with his parents from Canada when he was still a boy. He was mar-

ried here and five years ago moved to Kansas City with his wife and two children. He once served a term as alderman in Morris and has a wide acquaintance here.

The appointment of a postmaster at Morris, which has been the cause of much speculation for months, has been finally attended to by the President and John McGrath is the lucky man. There were four Morris men after the position, D. Hynds, C. Reardon, T. A. Owens and McGrath. The new appointee is a relative of Daniel O'Connell, the democratic representative from Kinsman and it is reported that O'Connell was instrumental in securing the appointment. McGrath was born and reared in Morris and is about 42 years of age. He is a railroad man of experience, having worked for many years as operator, freight clerk and yard master for the Rock Island and after passing an examination for railway mail clerk he secured a run on the Rock Island and has been working on that ever since. He is well equipped for the work of postmaster and the appointment will give general satisfaction. The present incumbent is W. Wagner, who has been in charge for four years.

The Northwestern Novelty Company, one of the most successful and rapidly growing manufacturing concerns in this part of the state, has decided to remain in Morris and has purchased from the Morris Industrial Association the west half of the big up-to-date factory building on the north side of town. The east half of the factory is now occupied by the Johnson-Carlson Cut Glass factory. The Northwestern Novelty Company is the outgrowth of a small concern started here several years ago by E. T. Bolen, of Marion, Ind. Mr. Bolen, who is an inventor of unusual ability, constructed a match vendor and lighter and there was such a demand for it that he built other machines for the retail cigar trade and the business has grown by leaps and bounds. Many other towns tried hard to get the Novelty Company to locate but the owners, Bolen and Fuller, remained loyal to Morris and not only decided to stick here but made an outright cash purchase of the building and did not ask the Industrial association for any concessions at all.

### SOUTH WILMINGTON

Felix Rolando was injured while at work in the mine Saturday. Miss Frances Clelland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Clelland, is the guest of friends in Joliet.

Miss Teresa Bolatto, of Marseilles, and formerly of this city, is spending this week with relatives here.

Mrs. Joseph Clelland returned home from Braidwood Saturday, where she attended the funeral of Patrick Carrigan.

Dr. Allison made a professional call on Mike Flynn, of Braidwood, Saturday. He reports Mr. Flynn recovering very slowly.

Miss Janet Adams, of Chicago, and formerly of this city, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry McKinzie on First avenue.

The members of the local team of Married Knights of Pythias challenge any Knight team in the coal fields to a game of baseball.

Mrs. Bob McAllister, of west Frankfort, Ill., is spending a few weeks with relatives here. Mrs. McAllister was formerly Miss Annie Boetta, of this city.

Thos. Walker and daughter, Marion, went to Pullman Saturday morning, where they will join Mrs. Walker and the rest of the family. They will remain for some time.

Miss Nora Thompson, of Mathersville, who has been visiting here for several weeks, left Saturday for Clarke City, to visit with friends for several days before returning to her home.

Mrs. Frances Peart and son, Raymond, and Miss Marion Walker, who attended the teachers' institute at Morris this week, returned home Friday. The other teachers came home Saturday.

Miss Lillian Walker returned to her home at Joliet Sunday morning, after a pleasant visit with her sister, Mrs. Ellen Jerbi. She was accompanied by Miss Ellen Rogers, who will visit with relatives in Joliet for a week.

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### MAZON

Jim Condon has purchased a new Ford automobile.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Martin visited W. H. Symons Sunday.

Miss Minnie Keath, of Bloomington, visited Mrs. E. Glenn Sunday.

Miss Ruth Meacham, of Joliet, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. C. Keltner.

Carl and Signa Paulson, of Chicago, are visiting C. G. Larson and family.

Mrs. L. R. Murray and Miss Lillian Glenn traded in Gardner Wednesday.

Norris and Forrest Murray, of Chicago, spent Sunday with their parents here.

Mrs. O. S. Viner took her son, Wayne, to Chicago Tuesday for an operation.

Mrs. W. M. Walker and her daughter, Alvah, are visiting her sister, Mrs. Ella Wallace.

Miss Inez Craig, of Rockford, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. James Condon, for a couple of weeks.

Concrete steps are being built at the grade school. The schools will open here next Tuesday.

Charles and Bradford Russell, of Joliet, are visiting their uncle, W. C. Bradford and family.

Mrs. Dr. Bell and her children, of Dwight, visited relatives here the latter part of the week.

Ed Overocker and family, of Kankakee, visited a part of the week at the home of W. O. Sprague.

Mr. and Mrs. Oxley and their daughter, Helen, have been visiting at the home of Thos. Tredennick.

Walter Burnham, of Chicago, is spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burnham.

Miss Nellie Allen is taking her vacation from Nicholson's store. She is with friends in Clay Center, Kan.

Mrs. W. H. Stoner and her two daughters, Marguerite and Marcella, are visiting her mother this week.

Miss Moreland was visited by her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Bowles, of Stewart, Ill., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Condon, Inez Craig, Maude Hanawalt and Marie Horrie spent Sunday in and around Lisbon.

Miss Josie Taylor has gone to Morris to visit a week. From there she will go to Moline, Ill., to keep house for her father.

L. R. Murray, L. M. Jewett, W. J. Grennell and H. Preston advertised the Grundy County Agricultural Fair north of the river Friday.

Isham Bros. shipped two car loads cattle and one of hogs last Sunday night. Altogether they have shipped nine car loads this month.

Mrs. Caddie Spence and her two children have returned to their home in Mitchell, S. D. They have spent most of the summer at Joe Waters.

E. O. Pollock has purchased from Mt. Isham the house now occupied by C. W. Morrow. Mr. Morrow has leased the house now occupied by W. J. Grennell.

Mrs. J. H. Barker and her Sunday school class of girls gave a farewell party for Miss Hallie Gardner at the home of Vina Nicholson last Tuesday. Hallie started for Iowa Thursday, where she will teach this winter.

### RANSOM

Mrs. Foster is visiting at Deer Park with relatives.

Mrs. Clark, of Chicago, is visiting her son, Edward.

Mrs. Latch, of Kinsman, is a guest of Mrs. M. Lamb.

Mr. Bert Sampson was a Marseilles caller Wednesday.

Mrs. Peter Seguin is spending the week in Chicago with relatives.

Miss Ford, of Marseilles, is visiting her cousin, Miss Tessie Richards.

Miss Mabel Moore, of Kinsman, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. Meagher.

Dr. Trainor spent the fore part of the week in Chicago with his parents.

The net proceeds were \$134. Rev. Fr. Knery announced that he would hold a church fair from the 7th to the 11th of October. He has his various committees appointed and the chance books will be distributed in a few days. He asks all to kindly assist in this work.

### VERONA

John Stitt went to Chicago on business Friday.

Tom Ranhart, of Kinsman, called in town Monday.

Miss Ada Dix, of Mazon, spent Tuesday in Verona.

Thomas Kilmer and wife autored to Morris Friday.

Miss Myrtle Montgomery spent Friday in Coal City.

Walter Good, of Morris, was on our streets Wednesday.

Ed Fellingham and Wm. Greenwald autored to Morris Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Marlette were Chicago passengers Saturday.

Gordon Smith and Dennis Shannon autored to Seneca last Thursday.

Miss Lena Kratz, of Bloomington, is visiting relatives in Verona this week.

Howard Leach, of Mazon, spent Tuesday with his brother, Charles, in Verona.

Miss Mary Fleming and Miss Bessie Kilmer spent the latter part of last week in Coal City.

Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Renne, Mrs. P. M. Lightner and Mrs. Bucher autored to Streator Wednesday.

A Verona ball team met a ball team from Dwight at Sachrison's field and the Verona team won by a score of 5 to 4.

Miss Mable Koehler, Miss May Norton, Miss Mildred Hough, Miss Muriel Pearce and Mrs. Ethel Marlette were Streator passengers Tuesday.

Mr. A. H. Overly and family moved their household goods to Kinsman Monday, where they will run a hotel. We all wish them good luck.

Miss Bernice Smith and brother, Gordon, went to Milwaukee for a few days' visit. Miss Bernice will visit in Chicago on her return home.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Troxel and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Troxel, of Iowa, who are visiting here, Mr. and Mrs. Rube Hollembeck, Mr. and Mrs. James Hollembeck, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Granby, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Curtis and Misses Gednah, Nellie and Freda Troxel autored to McKinley Park Sunday and spent the day.

### GOODFARM

Some of our rings have finished threshing; where the rings are small and the men swift, it only takes a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Huffman, of Kankakee, spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Will Burkhardt.

Mrs. John Mitchell and children, of Morris, spent last week visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Louch and children were guests at the Williams home Sunday.

Mrs. Cora Nelson and son, of Kankakee, visited with Mrs. Lillian Burkhardt Friday.

Bessie Pope, of Bola, Kan., is here visiting her sister, Mrs. Nora Booth.

Misses Tillie and Bertha Simantel, of Sterling, Ill., are here visiting with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Fornie Tinsman entertained company Sunday.

Mrs. Ed Barron is taking care of her mother who is seriously ill at her home in Central City.

Mrs. Chas. Burkhardt visited at the Fillman home Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Geo. Burkhardt and children visited with Mrs. Ash Friday afternoon.

Miss Florence Rogers spent Monday night with Mrs. Ed Burkhardt.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Burkhardt, Chas. Rogers and Grace Burkhardt were in Morris Tuesday.

Miss Beatrice and Della Nelson visited with Ollie Rogers Saturday morning.

The Gleaners will hold their annual picnic at the Gleaners Park Sept. 18.

Mrs. John Mitchell and children, of Morris, and Mrs. Will Burkhardt and children and Mrs. Hoedock and children had a picnic at the Gleaners Park Thursday.

**WEST GOODFARM.**  
Wm. Rose was a Morris visitor Saturday.

Threshing will be completed in nearly every run this week.

Clarence Finch is attending to business affairs in Iowa this week.

Mrs. Wolcott spent this week with Mrs. Paxton and Mrs. T. Neville.

Mrs. F. A. Tibbets and three children, of Streator, are spending the week at the home of D. Lewis.

Ed Walker and sons are doing plowing on the Hulsey farm, which they have rented for the coming year.

Mrs. Mary Keepers, of Mazon, has spent the past week with her granddaughter, Mrs. Jas. Williams and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Small, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rose and Mr. and Mrs. D. Lewis spent Wednesday of this week in Joliet and Dellwood Park.

Mrs. Karl Davies is entertaining this week her sister, Miss Quigley, of Morris, also her aunt and grandmother, Mrs. Cody, from Chicago.

Time is near for everyone to be prepared to enjoy the coming Labor Day celebrations also the numerous fairs which take place in rotation.

Mrs. Jas. Kruse, of Dwight, came out on the farm last week to stay with her daughter, Myrtle, who has been staying on the farm during the summer.

The Neville school is being brought up to the standard with the placement of a new furnace chimney, more new desks, stove, varnish, painting and other repairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Ardine Klinefelter and little daughter, Iva Fern, arrived on Thursday last week from near Peabody, Kan., to make their future home here. They will reside on the former's father's farm.

Mrs. Bert Gillespie, of Dwight, spent Friday and Saturday with her sister, Mrs. C. Stitt also her aunt from New Jersey, who returned to her home Sunday after a two weeks' visit here with numerous relatives.

The schools in this vicinity will open Sept. 2, with Miss Mattie Kilmer, teacher of Thorpe school; Esther Lindberg, Neville school; Miss Glenn, Red school; Velma Van Duesen, Maxwell school; Julia Rothlisberger, Curtin school; Anna Ondesko, Davies school.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Burkhardt enjoyed a family reunion of their family at their home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rogers and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Burkhardt and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Ardine Klinefelter and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Burkhardt and daughter all partook of dinner with their parents.

While coming home from Dwight Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ward were quite badly scratched up.

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