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HIGHLAND.
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day and Wednesday near Mazon visiting friends.

John Weir shelled corn Monday, Ratliff and Wilkinson doing the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sachrison and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beiswanger and baby were the guests of John Miller and family Sunday.

Mrs. James Wilkinson, Jr., and daughter Maud, and son Roy, have returned home from a visit with her uncle, Chas. Rogers and family.

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SOUTH WILMINGTON

The two little children of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Fellows are both ill, with symptoms of measles.

"Grandpa" Wilkinson, who fell and broke a rib Monday, is recovering nicely and is able to be up and around.

Mrs. Phoebe Clarke, who has been spending the past five weeks with her mother, at the hotel here, returned to her employment at Gary, Ind., Saturday.

Plans are completed for a handkerchief bazaar on Feb. 16, to be given by Ruby Temple No. 41, P. S. An entertainment will be given and refreshments will be served.

The circulation of a petition asking that the people be permitted to vote for or against the saloon at the township election, in Garfield township, was started Thursday. Only men are being asked to sign.

On Saturday evening the local Rounders defeated the Olivet M. E. basket ball team of Chicago by the score of 49 to 33. The game was hard fought from start to finish but was not characterized by any roughness on either side.

Mrs. Naomi Reed, of Braceville, has been appointed district deputy for this district of Pythian Sisters by the grand chief. The district comprises Broadwood, Braceville, Coal City, Carbon Hill, South Wilmington, Joliet, Dekalb, Batavia and Aurora.

The strong Braceville Midgets basket ball team will meet the Selects here on the Rounders floor on Friday evening, Jan. 30, and the Lyons Undertakers, the heavy weight team from Odell, will meet them here on Wednesday night, Feb. 4. Farr, the Selects' whirlwind center, will touch off, with Brooks, English and Lohmar on the forwards and Pantl, Chiventone and Thomas on the guards.

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RANSOM

Mrs. Edward Clarke was a Streator passenger Friday.

Theodore Thompson was a Streator shopper Saturday.

Carl Engel, of Sheridan, will move here in a few days.

Clarence Meagher and family spent Sunday in Kinsman.

Miss Nellie Mulvihill was a passenger to Streator Thursday.

Miss Erald Worley, of Mazon, was a caller in our burg Friday.

A few from here attended the dance in Seneca Thursday evening.

Mrs. Swartz, of Streator, spent Sunday here with Mrs. C. A. Bradish.

John Hetrick, of Jacksonville, is in Ransom for a visit with relatives.

Mrs. Kelly, of Ottawa, spent Thursday with her mother, Mrs. Mulvihill.

Aaron Thompson, of Worthington, Minn., is here for a visit with relatives.

Miss Maurine Gordon of the county spent Sunday here with Margaret Gondolf.

William Ryan and family spent a few days in Ottawa last week with relatives.

Bert Lester and family attended the wedding of his sister at Champaign Saturday.

Miss Marie Mahaffey, of Kinsman, visited with her sister, Mrs. W. Seguin, this week.

Miss Grace Verner, of Ottawa, is in Ransom for a visit with her mother, Mrs. W. H. Conrad.

Mrs. Edward Wright was called to Kinsman Wednesday on account of the illness of her father, Daniel McCarty.

MAZON

G. E. Clapp and wife were in Chicago Monday.

G. B. Allen, of Braceville, was in town Monday.

Mrs. North visited friends in Chicago last week.

Norris Murray, of Chicago, spent Sunday with his parents.

Misses Nellie Allen and Vina Nicholson were in Morris Monday.

Will Fellingham and wife, of Plano, visited here a part of the week.

The Cousins club met with Mrs. O. E. Davis Wednesday afternoon.

Geo. Smith and A. J. Campbell were passengers to Chicago Tuesday.

Miss Ada Dix is visiting at the home of Alvin Small in Highland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Morrow and son, La Verne, were in Joliet Wednesday.

Sprague Murray came home from Urbana Friday to remain the rest of the year.

A few cases of smallpox are reported in Morris and many here are getting vaccinated.

Mrs. E. S. Strong visited her mother, Mrs. Heacox, of Morris, from Friday until Tuesday.

Mrs. S. B. Symons is in Estherville, Ia., taking care of her daughter, who is ill with scarlet fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Davis returned from a two weeks' visit in Chicago and Michigan Thursday.

Jonas Waters and son, Clarence, went to Chicago Tuesday to spend a few days at the auto show.

Sam Hamilton, of Star City, Ind., returned to his home Monday after a short visit here with his father.

Miss Vieta Woods, formerly of Missouri, came to Mazon Tuesday and will attend school here this year.

Chas. DeWitte left for Emporia, Kan., Friday night. He has purchased land there and will conduct a poultry farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dight, of Clarion, Ia., visited old neighbors and friends here on their return home from a visit to Ohio.

Mrs. D. P. Taylor returned home recently from a three weeks' stay in the Chicago hospital. She is recovering from a serious operation.

Alvin Small, Robert Glenn, Fred and Warner Dix and Wm. Finch with their wives surprised Miss Ada Dix last Thursday. All enjoyed a pleasant time.

Mrs. Dromgoole's mother, Mrs. Robinson, came Monday to make her an extended visit. She has spent most of the winter with her other daughter, Mrs. Figge, of Aurora.

UNION HILL

Henry Milling, of near Herscher, was a caller in town Sunday.

Miss Lillie Geiger, of Kankakee, spent Sunday with home folks.

Arthur Wulf, of Kankakee, came Monday for a visit with relatives.

Miss Florence Bamberg, of Herscher, spent Sunday with home folks.

Miss Fannie Engles, of Essex, was a Sunday visitor at the home of P. L. Jarvis.

Mrs. A. T. Dyer spent one day of the past week with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Larsen.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Wilken and two children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Daly.

The L. A. S. will hold an all day session at the home of Mrs. John Schott Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Cook spent Sunday with the latter's uncle, John Weprecht and family.

Geo. Berger, J. T. Houghton, Major Schott and Chappie Cook were Reddick callers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Berger spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Hertz.

O. J. Patchett, of Buckingham, was a business caller in this neighborhood last Friday afternoon.

Walter Wagner, of near Reddick, was a business caller in this neighborhood Tuesday morning.

Mrs. A. S. Currie, of Reddick, spent from Friday until Monday with her niece, Mrs. Ed Rlordan.

Peter Geiger and family entertained for dinner Sunday Mrs. Melosene Felix and family, Gus Berger and family, Geo. Gaus and family from near Bonfield, Geo. Geiger and wife and the Henry Gaus young people.

AGRICULTURAL SHORT COURSE.

Preparations for the Agricultural Short Course, to be held at Pontiac, Feb. 10th to and including the 14th, are being hurried to completion. Monday, Feb. 9th, will be given to a general meeting of the members of the association, at which time a report of the year's work and expenditures of the association will be given and a general discussion of limestone for agricultural purposes will be engaged in. Government State Leader, Smith, will discuss the work of the County Advisers.

Two days of Corn School work are to be put on at the Short Course. Lectures will be given on the production, improvement and judging of corn, and actual judging work will be engaged in. This work will be in charge of three competent instructors and is expected to arouse great interest in the improvement, judging and selection of corn.

Some of the subjects to be studied in the Short Course are as follows: "Alfalfa Production; How Plants Grow; Corn Production and Improvement; Farm Management; Corn Judging; Soil Fertility; Weeds Affecting Farm Crops; Clover and Clover Seed Production; Hogs and Hog Cholera Preventative Measures; Farm Accounts; Applied Practical and Scientific Agricultural Methods, with special reference to Maintaining and Building Up the Soil Fertility; Animal Husbandry, with special reference to Production Cost and Profit and the relation to Soil Fertility. In addition to this, a great number of minor subjects will be treated.

Some of the men who will assist in the Short Course work: Mr. A. G. Smith, Urbana; Hon. F. I. Mann, Gilman; John S. Collier, Kankakee; Dr. J. W. Folsom, Urbana; Prof. F. H. Demaree, Chicago; Frank C. Grannis, Joliet.

Mr. A. G. Smith, Government State Leader for Illinois, is a graduate of the College of Agriculture of the University of Illinois and has had a number of years experience in practical and scientific agricultural work. His discussions of "Farm Efficiency" and "Alfalfa Production" will be filled with valuable information.

Hon. F. I. Mann, Gilman, Illinois, is well known to the farmers of this county and state. He has applied business methods, which includes science, to agriculture, with the result that he is one of the most successful farmers of the state. The story of the methods employed by Mr. Mann, as told by himself, should be heard by every farmer of this county.

John S. Collier, County Agricultural Adviser of Kankakee County, has attracted attention through the middle west by his great resourcefulness and originality as County Adviser. Mr. Collier is an authority on plant life and a chemist of ability. His lectures on "Plant Food," "Noxious Weeds Affecting the Farmer" and "How Plants Grow" promise much of unusual value.

Dr. H. W. Folsom, Professor of Entomology, University of Illinois, is a specialist of established reputation on insects affecting the clover plant, and clover seed production. This subject is of tremendous importance to the farmers of this county. A large part of the clover seed crop is destroyed annually by insects. Dr. Folsom will tell how this great loss may be largely avoided.

Prof. F. H. Demaree, Agronomist, Crop Improvement Committee, Council of Grain Exchanges, Chicago, formerly Prof. of Agronomy Missouri University, and for three years Director of the J. I. Case Plow Co. Agricultural Extension work, is a man of established reputation on corn production and improvement. His lectures on this great subject should attract attention through the county.

Frank C. Grannis, County Agricultural Adviser of Will County, is a graduate of Iowa Agricultural College, in which institution he became an instructor and investigator. Mr. Grannis is not only thoroughly trained in the science of agriculture, but has had practical experience, which makes him a valuable man in this field. He will assist in the Corn School and Soils work.

Dr. A. T. Peters, Bacteriologist of State Board Livestock Commissioners, is also expected to assist in this School work and arrangements are now being made for the livestock department. A successful feeder will probably be put in charge.

In addition to the instructors given in the foregoing, a number of local farmers will assist in discussions concerning the adaptability of proposed methods to the practice of agriculture.—Roy C. Bishop, Agent, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.

THE VALUE OF SOME FARM WASTE PRODUCTS AS PLANT FOOD.

The fact that crop yields on many soils of this county are declining, due largely to the depletion of the humus or organic matter, and the decline of the nitrogen supply in these soils, leads direct to the conclusion that in the careful business management of the soils, every ton of corn stalks grown should be returned to the soil. It is a crime against future generations and the splendid reputation of Illinois Corn Belt soils, to burn corn-

stalks, straw or any other sort of farm waste which will add humus to the soil. Nevertheless, many fields of stalks are yet being burned in this county. Grass, weeds and straw are also being burned in a number of communities. Even clover straw has been burned in several neighborhoods last fall.

The following table gives the relative quantities of nitrogen in corn-stalks, oat straw and clover straw as compared to barnyard manure:

Material	Lbs. Nitrogen Per Ton	Value of Nitrogen
Corn cobs	4.60	\$.69
Common barn manure	9.66	1.44
Cornstalks	6.00	.90
Oats straw	12.20	1.68
Clover straw	29.40	4.41
Clover hay	40.00	6.00

When these materials are burned all of the nitrogen is lost as a gas and so passes into the air. The value of the nitrogen thus lost is very little greater than the value of the organic or vegetable matter which is consumed at the same time. By reference to the above analysis it will be noted that one ton of clover straw is equivalent to about five tons of ordinary barn manure and that one ton of clover hay is equivalent to six and two-thirds tons of barn manure.

Certainly no farmer who fully understands the real value of clover will ever burn clover straw, or sell the hay at \$3.00 to \$4.00 per ton, as many did last season. Clover hay is worth \$4.00 to \$6.00 per ton to plow under.

The value of the clover plant as a soil builder does not lie altogether in the roots. In fact, only about one-third of the nitrogen of the clover is found in the roots. This is about the amount the clover plant takes from the soil. Therefore, the remaining clover roots and stubble, after the hay is removed, add no plant food to the soil in addition to what is in the soil before this crop is grown. In fact, where clover is thus grown and the hay removed the soil is left very much poorer in the mineral plant foods, limestone, phosphorus and potassium.

The following table gives the amounts of mineral plant foods removed from the soil by the clover crop as compared to the corn crop; first figure gives phosphorus, lbs.; second, potassium, lbs.; third, limestone, lbs.:

Corn, 60 bus.	4.5	5.5	.4
Clover, 2 tons	7.6	33.2	67.8

Two tons of clover will remove more plant food from the soil therefore, than 60 bushels of corn and it is equivalent to about thirteen tons of barnyard manure.—Roy C. Bishop, Livingston County Consulting Agriculturist, and Agent, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.

WITH OUR CHURCHES

Methodist Episcopal Church—G. H. McClung, pastor. Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Morning worship, 10:45. Epworth League, 6:45 p. m. Evening worship, 7:30. Sunday is "Go-to-Church" Sunday. Every Sunday is Go-to-Church Sunday with many of our people. It ought to be with every one physically able. However, if you are not a regular attendant you are given an unusually cordial invitation to be present Sunday. All those not worshipping elsewhere are invited to any or all our services.

Congregational Church—Rev. F. F. Farrington, pastor. Services for February 1, 1914: Sunday School, 9:30 a. m. Morning service, 10:45 a. m. Children's sermon subject, "The Great Sea." Morning sermon subject, "The Half Greater Than the Whole." Evening service, 7:45 p. m. "I Have Power to Lay it Down." A welcome for all.

St. Peter's Danish Lutheran Church—J. C. Aaberg, pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Morning services at 10:30 a. m., except third Sunday in the month. Evening services at 7:30 every third Sunday in month. Holy Communion every first Sunday in month. Midweek meeting every Wednesday at 8 p. m. Young peoples meeting every fourth and second Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Ladies Aid meets the last Wednesday in each month at 2 p. m. Choir practice every Friday at 8 p. m. A welcome to all.

Bethel Danish Ev.-Luth., Church—Rev. Chr. Sorensen, pastor, W. Seminoles St., Sunday School, and Bible Class 9:30 a. m. Services 10:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. second and fourth Sunday in the month. Young peoples meeting every Wednesday 8 p. m. Other services and meetings will be announced at the Church. Everybody welcome.

German Ev.-Luth. Church—Rev. W. Kistemann, pastor. Services every Sunday: Sunday School from 9 to 10 a. m. Service from 10 to 11 a. m. English service every first Sunday in the month at 7:00 p. m.

Orville Wright is trying to make the aeroplane "fool-proof." Perhaps someone else will perform the same service sometime, for the automobile.

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I will be at the First National Bank of Dwight to collect taxes for Good-farm Township on Saturday, January 31st, and every Saturday following until the books are returned.—Ben Booth, Tax Collector.—Adv. 4tf.

I will be at Bank of Dwight every Wednesday after February 1st.—L. J. Mettelle, Tax Collector, Nevada Township.—Adv. 4tf.

I will receive my tax books January 2nd. Will be at the First National Bank on and after January 5 until I close my books.—Clarence E. Welch, Collector for Dwight Township.—Adv.

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PUBLIC SALES.

August Fredrickson will sell at public auction at his residence 4 miles west and 2 1/2 miles north of Dwight, 5 miles east and 3 1/2 miles south of Kinsman, 6 miles south of Verona, 1 mile east and 1 1/2 miles south of Highland townships, on Tuesday, Feb. 10, 1914, 8 head of horses, 11 head of cattle and many farm implements, and other things too numerous to mention. Usual terms of sale. C. E. Bute, auctioneer; Orr & Boyer, clerks. Lunch will be served.

A. Phillips, on account of his health, has decided to quit farming and will on that account offer at public auction at his residence, 1 mile south of Dwight, 110 rods west of the Catholic cemetery, on Thursday, Feb. 12, 17 head of horses and colts, 8 head of cattle, 8 head of hogs, 45 stands of bees, a large number of farming implements, a barn, buggy shed, 2 hen houses and many other smaller articles. Usual terms. C. E. Bute, auctioneer. R. D. Gregg, clerk. Lunch on grounds.

E. W. Whittemore will sell at public auction at his residence, known as the Rider farm, 1 mile east and 5 miles south of Verona, 3 miles north and 3 miles west of Dwight, on Monday, Feb. 9, 9 head of horses and colts, 7 head of cattle, numerous farming implements. Usual terms. C. E. Bute, auctioneer. Harry McCormick, clerk. L. O. Whittemore, lunch.

Austin McCarter will sell at public auction at his residence known as the old Carey Section, 4 miles south and 1 mile west of Dwight, 4 miles east and 1 1/2 miles north of Odell, on Thursday, Feb. 5, 7 head of horses, numerous farming implements and small articles. Usual terms. C. E. Bute, auctioneer. R. D. Gregg, clerk.

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