

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Brief items of interest to City and Country Readers.

Corn, 40c; oats, 42c.

Ross Porter is sick with pneumonia.

Mrs. J. C. Parrett is visiting her parents at Chalmers.

The Newton circuit court convenes one week from Monday.

Benton Review: Clem Fullerton moved to Rensselaer last week.

Geo. O. Stembel of Wheatfield was a business visitor in the city Tuesday.

W. C. McCord of Indianapolis is visiting relatives near Rensselaer for a few weeks.

It would take a whole column of space to mention all those who are "gripping" nowadays.

A prophecy of good weather goes with every set of sale bills printed at this office.

Miss Virinda Ranier of Lafayette is visiting here with her sister, Mrs. M. D. Gwin.

C. L. Parks and daughter Pearl of Surrey spent New Year's with his aged mother in Carroll county.

John A. Randle will offer at his public sale on Jan. 8th, 15 head of good horses, including several fine young brood mares.

Mrs. Geo. Ketchum has gone to Burnett, Cali., to spend the winter with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Parkinson.

Mrs. Robert Michael has been suffering considerably for some time from a large carbuncle, but it is now getting better.

Miss Tillie Malchow teacher in the Fourth Grade of the city schools, is confined to her home with inflammatory rheumatism.

Morris Hoover, who has a position as check boy in the Lahr House at Lafayette, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hoover.

An exchange says that under the new pure food law dealers can not sell water for oysters. We guess that editor hasn't bought any oysters in Rensselaer lately.

Fowler Republican: Bank examiner Livings reported on his return from Kouts that the bank at that place was in good shape and the depositors had no cause for alarm.

Miss Anna Connor, who is attending St. Mary's nurses training school in Chicago, came down Wednesday for a few days' visit with relatives, returning to the city yesterday.

The service Sunday morning at the Presbyterian church will be the Quarterly Communion service. In the evening the pastor will speak on the subject "Hosea, a Love Story."

The First National Bank of Rensselaer increased its capital stock last month to \$60,000, and expects to soon issue bank notes to the full amount of its capital. At present its issue of notes is but \$15,000.

The excellent report given of the Bank of Remington failure in this issue of The Democrat has necessarily caused us to neglect the local news matter somewhat this week, although we have endeavored to give everything of importance.

The heavy snow the week before Christmas broke down the corn quite badly, and since it has gone away it has been most too wet to get in the fields to husk, the ground generally not being frozen hard enough to bear up a team and loaded wagon.

Ray Brusnahan, son of S. A. Brusnahan of near Parr, left for Washington last Friday where he will teach school near Odacey, Wash., where his cousin, C. F. Brusnahan, is also teaching. The boys will board and room together, which will make it very pleasant for them.

Among the Indiana banks making application for state funds under the new depository law, was the State Bank of Rensselaer, for \$20,000. There was a great demand for the funds by banks all over the state and applications could only be filled in part, so the State Bank here was awarded but \$5,000.

Vern Jacks, who accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Len Leifer to Crawfordsville a few weeks ago, is here for a couple of weeks' visit with his parents, after which he will return to Crawfordsville. He reports that Len's confectionery business is starting out fine and that he is having an excellent trade.

Jim Randle of Red Oak, Iowa, has been visiting his father Nelson Randle, here this week.

Miss Clara Yeoman of Ambia visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Strong, here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bolser of Frankfort visited the former's brother, A. E. Bolser over Sunday.

Arnold and Lizzie Luers went to Bronkston and Lafayette last Friday for a few days' visit with relatives.

M. B. and Glenn Wishard of Chicago and Dr. Ernest Wishard of Noblesville have been visiting here with their mother, Mrs. Jessie Wishard.

Announcement is made of the engagement of Firms Thompson, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Thompson, to Miss Faye Clayton a popular young lady of Monon.

If you are in the market for any farm stock or equipment, look over John A. Randle's list. His sale will take place on Jan. 8th, at his farm one-half mile east of Pleasant Grove.

At this writing Referee Bowers has made no decision in the Delos Thompson case wherein the old Rensselaer Stock Farm company owes the McCoy bank estate some \$54,000.

The republican district convention to elect a new district chairman to succeed Henry W. Marshall of Lafayette, and who is at present under a cloud, will be held in Lafayette, Jan. 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Marshall and baby of Chicago are visiting here this week. They are preparing to move to Medford, Oregon, where he will superintend his uncle G. E. Marshall's fruit farm.

While at Monon Thursday we were told that Tony Strickfaden, formerly of Rensselaer and who later conducted a saloon at Monon, had gone totally blind, and that the doctors held out no hope of his regaining his eyesight.

Any subscriber having paid his subscription to The Democrat within the past 60 days can, by paying 35 cents additional, secure one of The Democrat's popular Wall Charts. They are worth many times the price asked for them, and to non-subscribers we charge 75 cents for them.

Joseph Schuerich and Miss Rose Carr returned Monday from their visit to Enid, Okla. Both were well pleased with the country and think Enid a fine town. Miss Minnie Schuerich, who accompanied her father out there, will remain indefinitely with her sister, Mrs. John Carr.

J. W. Stockton, just northwest of town, has erected a bill-board at the corner near his residence for the convenience of the public desiring to post sale or other bills thereon, a convenience that could be adopted by many other farmers throughout the country at slight trouble and expense, and hundreds would rise and called them blessed.

The fire department was called out Wednesday morning by a slight blaze at Tom Parker's in the north part of town. A little girl had been playing with matches and the lace curtains caught fire, communicating to the carpet in falling to the floor and causing quite a scare and doing perhaps \$50 damage. Mrs. Parker was burned somewhat in smothering the flames.

Advertised Letters: Mrs. Roy Flanders (2), Miss Nettie Boules, Mrs. Joseph Kenton, Miss Bell Rogers, Mrs. May Williams, Mrs. Chance Wilson, Mrs. Mollie Miller, Mrs. Lizzie Sigman, F. N. Bauk, M. L. Campbell, J. Whock & Co., Konday Kord Amoery, Geo. B. VanAalen, Freeman Verkuren, Dave Sigler, Charles Smith (2), Luke Ratt, E. S. Nilema, Jacob Reed, O. G. Maxwell, Melvin Johnson, Frank Grabemann, V. W. Johnson, Walter Hill.

There are still thousand of acres of corn yet to be husked in Jasper county. One farmer told us Saturday that he had 60 acres yet to husk. The bad condition of corn this season made farmers late in getting to work at husking and it is reported that a great deal of that which was husked and piled up in cribs has been giving the owners considerable anxiety and in some cases has heat badly. One of the elevators here has a drier and therefore has been able to handle a limited quantity of the new corn, but generally speaking it is still in bad condition, the cob is still green and wet and is drying out very slowly. The corn crop through this section of the country at least is a decided disappointment, both in quantity and quality, and not for a great many years has so poor a crop been

raised. Very little has been marketed here, and at Remington and nearly all neighboring towns it is reported that the elevators refuse to handle it yet, owing to its bad condition.

Joe Jeffreis has sold his \$1,000 stock in the G. E. Murray Co. store to G. E. Murray and Charles Simpson and will take the position of book-keeper and assistant cashier in the State bank, formerly held by Miss Maude Irwin. Fred Arnott, who formerly clerked in Murray store but has been managing a general store for T. M. Calahan at Pleasant Grove for some time, will return to Rensselaer and take Joe's place as cashier and book-keeper in the Murray Co. store.

Miss Isabel Luers, daughter of Henry Luers south of Rensselaer, has been engaged by J. D. Allman as his deputy in the treasurer's office and is already at her post of duty. Miss Luers has taught school for several terms and is a thoroughly competent young lady for the place. Miss Alice Bates, the very able and efficient deputy who has been in the auditors office during Mr. Leatherman's first term, will remain with him during his second term, which began Jan. 1.

Rice Porter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter V. Porter, and Miss Lola Fountain, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Fountain, of Goodland, were married last Sunday at the home of the groom's parents in this city, Rev. J. C. Parret of the Presbyterian church officiating. The wedding was to have taken place at the home of the bride, but as the groom was confined to the house with the grip the former came over and the marriage took place here instead. They will reside on a farm in Jordan tp.

In remitting for his subscription to The Democrat for another year, Geo. J. Nichols, formerly of Walker tp., this county, but now of Minot, No. Dak., says: "I would also say our crops here were not so good in general as last year but in most cases I think the difference in price made up for the deficiency in bushels. And we are enjoying the nicest winter I ever saw. I don't see how it could be improved and is just the opposite from last year in every way. Our first snow came the day before Christmas and it was scarcely enough to make good sleighing. In conclusion will say we are enjoying the best of health, with everything lovely and the goose hangs high."

CALIFORNIA LETTER.

We are lodging and living at 3408 6th street, San Diego, Cal. We want to read The Democrat for its home news. The natal day of the Prince of Peace was duly commemorated on land and bay. In a week will come the day of Janus as the year's initial. The democrats will do honor a week later, to the crowning event in the life of the founder of their political sect. The days here are warm and dry even against the predictions of the weather man. We are at the northwest corner of the big park. The quails nearly every morning—in a large flock—tell us to "keep right still" in a quiet whistle instead of the shrill "Bob-White" appellation of the Hoosier bird.

At daybreak we hear the varied notes of the California nightingale (mocking bird) as well as the changed notes of the lark up to meet the sun. This city is sounding the notes of preparation to welcome the war squadron, due April 11, 1908. The mails are much delayed by reason of the transmission of holiday gifts. Our last news from home is ten days old, while the usual interim is but four. We are two miles from the business center of the city and near 300 feet above the bay. Our view includes mountains and ocean. We have not missed a meal since we came, on Tuesday evening of last week. We hope for regular news from old Jasper to be soon restored.

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MAKES LIFE MISERABLE.

Troubles That Keep Half the Rensselaer Doctors Busy.

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James Clowry..... 2,000
John W. Parks..... 2,949
E. A. Bartoo..... 1,000
Mrs. J. B. Thompson..... 1,000
John Jordan..... 2,000
James Hogan..... 4,080
W. R. Irwin..... 5,300
Christena Zea..... 1,000
James Shannon..... 2,120
James B. Irwin..... 1,060
Alma Babb..... 1,650
Frank Shand..... 1,050
Chris Hensler..... 2,000
John Brown..... 1,000
C. G. Austin..... 1,500
Wm. H. Moorhead..... 1,300
Wm. Brainer..... 2,000
Ches Krumrelk..... 230
Frank Sheldt..... 1,000
Mr. Ellen Hogan..... 1,050
Herman Luetterhand..... 1,000
Mrs. Lucy Flits..... 500
Chas Luetterhand..... 1,000
Wm. Corah..... 1,000
Jacob Ochs, Sr..... 400
Clara Young..... 2,100
Wm. Dickinson..... 1,500
Mrs. Elias Philippi..... 700
Sophronia Headie..... 400
A. L. Moore..... 500
C. A. Kinsell..... 250
Sarah B. French..... 500
Lucy A. Pitts..... 500
Harmon Luetterhand..... 500
M. E. Bier..... 472
Benton Nelson..... 500
Magdalene Homing..... 1,382
Chas Meadell, Sr..... 1,382
Mrs. Julia A. Treaner..... 1,300
Julia and Clara Treaner..... 400
C. E. Logan..... 112
Jewa Lamborn..... 200
Sarah J. Powell..... 545
Tho. L. Babb..... 800
Pat Foley..... 550
Chas. Meadell..... 1,200
Kate O'Brien..... 701
Sarah E. Miller..... 500
J. B. Zimmerman..... 900
Anna B. Zimmerman..... 638
Martin Cain..... 500
Sutton Bros..... 500
Geo. H. May..... 500
Emma Beal..... 1,200
A. E. Spencer..... 250
Mrs. Wm. Briggs..... 840
Geo. M. Chigum..... 450
Liza Fisher..... 1,000

SOUTH AND WEST LAND COMPANY, CHICAGO, ILL.

GENTLEMEN:

We the undersigned party on your "home seekers" excursion of Dec. 17, 1907 want to express to you our appreciation and at the same time thank you and compliment you on the completeness of the arrangements by which we have had such an enjoyable and comfortable trip all the time, from the time we left Chicago, until we are ready to leave for home, including our trip overland, to inspect the land you have for sale.

We had been told of this central Texas land by your workers and thought we had a fair idea of what we would see when we got to the land, but many of us were favorably disappointed and all of us pleased with the land, believing it is well adapted to diversified farming such as we are accustomed to in Illinois and Indiana; we are satisfied that a man with the energy manifest in the northern farmer, exerted in this country, very profitable results can be obtained.

Some of us have purchased land, others must complete arrangements for the purchase, before we are able to buy, but we all recommend this territory to all intending purchasers, for we find a delightful climate, splendid water at a shallow depth, plenty of rain fall, building material much cheaper than where we now live, fuel very reasonable, costing \$2.12 for the best of coal per ton, school facilities are good, rural mail delivery and telephone service at your command.

Your Pullman palace private car enables the "home-seeker" to travel in perfect ease, without being jolted and crowded as in common on regular excursions, and to all intending purchasers, we want to recommend that they go with the South and West Land Co., and see as we believe the best land to be obtained in the great state of Texas. Again thanking you we are, Very truly,

S. E. Smith, Barrington, Ill., W. C. Meyer, Barrington, Ill., T. L. Erickson, Gibson City, Ill., W. S. Lowman, Rensselaer, Ind., H. Brinker, Barrington, Ill., A. L. Scherf, Barrington, Ill., F. A. Waymire, Rensselaer, Ind., Aug. Rosenbaum, Rensselaer, Ind., John Kolhoff, Rensselaer, Ind., Wm. Scott, Rensselaer, Ind., J. W. Bond, Rankin, Ill., W. J. Holt, Piqua, Ohio, R. R. Kimberley, Wauconda, Ill.

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Next excursion will be the 7th of January. Come and go with us.

The rate for the round trip will be very, very low, so cheap that you can't afford to stay at home.

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BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Dec. 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Cain, a son.

Dec. 27, to Mr. and Mrs. Ord Yeoman, of Barkley tp., a son.

Dec. 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Watson Humes, of Barkley tp., a daughter.

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GIVE THEM A CALL.

Snedeker & Nichols, proprietors of the new meat market near the depot handle everything in the line of fresh, salt and smoked meats and ask a share of your patronage. Their motto is "live and let live," and you will find their prices are right. Give them a call. Deliveries made to all parts of the city. Phone No. 428.

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