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MISS AETNA LEBO SURPRISES HER FRIENDS.

Resigns Position as Teacher and Starts to California to Become Wife of A. L. Branch.

Miss Aetna Lebo, teacher of the first primary department of the Rensselaer schools, resigned her position the first of the week and left on Thursday for Sacramento, Cal., where she will be met by Mr. Arthur L. Branch, formerly for several years a resident of Rensselaer, to whom she will be married. They will then go to San Francisco, Cal., where he is employed as the manager of a large milling concern and where they will probably make their future home. Miss Lebo has been a teacher here for the past three years and has made many friends and her departure will not only be a surprise but a disappointment to them all, but they will join in wishing her a happy married life.

It seems that the arrangement for her departure had been made some time before and she had given the school board notice of her intention to leave, but had kept the matter a secret from her teacher friends and none of them were acquainted with her intention until the afternoon of

Christmas at the Churches.

The Presbyterian church had the most pleasant Christmas entertainment they have had for sometime. The program was entirely by the little folks, who carried off their parts without fear. Santa Claus appeared, much to their delight, and left a list of the boys and girls he wanted to be remembered. The presents were then distributed by the boys, who had trimmed the tree.

Santa Claus also visited the Christian church, during the dialogue "Christmas Brightness," which was about the best number on the program. There were 16 little ones in it, who were trying to keep awake to see Santa Claus, but finally went to sleep and missed it. After the program, which was long and carefully prepared, the presents were distributed from the tree by some little girls of the Sunday school.

The tree at the Baptist church was trimmed by the Philathea and Bach classes. After a program of songs and recitations was given, the same classes took charge of the distribution of the presents.

The most interesting part of the program at the Methodist church was the recitations of the small children, and their delight, when the presents were distributed. Santa Claus also appeared and brought joy to their hearts.

Henry F. Feldman's Funeral.

The funeral of Henry F. Feldman, the Keener township trustee whose death occurred Saturday evening, Dec. 19th, was held from the family residence northeast of DeMotte, last Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Feldman was a member of the Lutheran church, having been raised in that faith, but it was impossible to get a Lutheran minister and the service was conducted by the Methodist minister from Heron, and the remains were interred in the Heron cemetery.

Mr. Feldman was born near Hamburg, Germany in 1857, and was therefore 51 years of age. He was married in 1890 to Miss Crawford, and is survived by the widow and four children, the youngest being 8 years of age.

Mr. Feldman was an industrious man of honest and upright habits and his death is mourned by his many acquaintances as well as by those bound to him by ties of relationship.

Those holding tickets to the fine company benefit by the musical Hoyle's to be given Wednesday night of this week, must have them reserved not later than Tuesday night. The reserve board is at Grant's restaurant. If the tickets are not in by that time the seats will be resold. This action is taken because several have purchased tickets that will probably not be used, and in case of that kind the seats will be sold again. Get them in for reservation by Tuesday night.

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SOME CHRISTMAS BEANERS

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Cheer up; it's 364 days before another Christmas.

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This would be a good time to study a bit about that New Year's resolution.

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All aboard now for a greater Rensselaer.

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Those friends whom you forgot and who remembered you will probably expect something on New Year's day.

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The man is lucky whose wife's birthday comes near Christmas.

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The happiest people Christmas day were those who made some one else happy. How happy were you?

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If you didn't get what you wanted, the way to get even will be to save up your money and buy it for yourself.

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Did your wife have your Christmas present charged to you?

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Some people trembled all day Christmas for fear they would receive presents from some one that would expect something in return.

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By economic living and industrious habits you may have hope of saving up enough to meet the requirements of another Christmas.

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The grouch neither gives nor receives; he plays solitaire and never cracks a smile.

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It is a wise girl who can receive three identical presents from the three different beaus and make them all believe it was just what she wanted.

No Decision in Ditch Case.

Judge Hanley and Court Stenographer Sigler are still wrestling with the ditch remonstrance case.

After the evidence was all in the Judge had to go over all the evidence, examine all the names of the realty owners affected and ascertain whether there were any duplicate signatures on the remonstrance in order to determine whether the remonstrance is sufficient to defeat the petition. They have been working industriously but the task is a mammoth one and it is probable that they will not complete the count before Wednesday and therefore unable to render a decision in the quite important case before that time.

M. E. Sunday School Election.

Trinity M. E. Sunday school held their annual meeting Sunday and elected the following officers for the new year:

Supt., M. V. Brown.
Asst. Supt., Frank Osborne.

Supt. of Primary Dept., Miss Eva Moore.

Secretaries, Miss Ina Shesler and Miss Ada Hausen.

Treasurer, Mrs. Stella Duvall.
Librarian, Willie Platt.
Chorister, Mrs. Maude Hemphill.
Pianist, Miss Florence Allman.

Afflictions never go single handed according to an old adage and this seems to be the case with Jesse Eldridge and wife, who have been living on the Thompson home farm, near Parr, he being Mr. Thompson's superintendent. He has been in bad shape with rheumatism for some time and received but very little benefit from treatment at the mineral springs near Attica. Since he was brought home from there he has not improved much until the past week and now he is some better but still confined to his bed. His wife also took very sick, and three weeks ago both of them were taken to the home of his father, Nathan Eldridge, in Barkley township. A report was circulated on the streets Saturday that their condition was so serious that neither could live, but this is not the case. Mrs. Eldridge is suffering from pleurisy in her side, but is very much improved and, in fact, able to be up a part of the time, and it is now thought that both will entirely recover, although in the case of Jesse, it is hard telling how long he will be laid up.

We are unloading another car of Aristos flour. The highest grade patent flour made. We guarantee every sack to be the best flour made or money refunded. \$1.40 a sack.

JOHN EGER.

Factory People to Visit Us.

President Warren Robinson received a letter from Chicago this morning, saying that one or both of the factory people will probably come to Rensselaer Tuesday of this week. They will be shown over the town by Mr. Robinson and other members of the Commercial Club and if the town suits them it is probable that the contract for their location here, conditioned upon the sale of the lots will be made.

The contracts for the lot sales will be printed by the Republican, and copy for the same was also received. The contracts will be in duplicate, the commercial club having a copy and the purchaser having a copy. The latter will be attached to a pass book, much after the form of a building and loan book. The contracts provide for the cash payment of \$5. It is proposed to complete the sales during January and the first monthly installment will be due the 1st of March. There will be no interest on the deferred payments unless they become delinquent.

Large posters will also be printed and the lot sale extensively advertised.

As before stated the matter of what factory is finally agreed upon has nothing at all to do with the sale of the lots. The company that makes the lot sale is paid a commission for so doing, and after the sale the Commercial Club can use its own pleasure about what factory is brought here with the money. The company that makes the sale also locates factories and the metal furniture factory through them is looking for a new location, but until the contract with them is signed the Commercial Club is free to consider any other enterprise.

If the furniture factory is secured it will take the very best efforts of our citizens to do it, and the lots will have to find a market and many of us will have to buy one or more. As there will be no interest on the deferred payments it will make the purchase an easy matter for almost any one, and many people can take the first step toward procuring a home for themselves. Others must buy for speculation and others for the sole motive of helping make Rensselaer a larger city.

Former Teacher Married.

Rensselaer friends of Edwin Manson Neher, formerly for one year the science teacher in the Rensselaer high school, have received cards announcing his marriage on Christmas day to Miss Mary Maude More, of Owasco, Carroll county.

Mr. Neher is now a physician and is located at Castle Gate, Utah, where he has a good practice and where he is also at the head of a hospital.

His former home was at Rossville, not far from the home of his bride, and since he was in the west she has also been a school teacher in the same state.

After Mr. Neher's departure from Rensselaer he was graduated from Chicago University and later from a medical college and after serving as an interne at a hospital in the west he located at Castle Gate, Utah, where the cards announce they will be at home to their friends. When Mr. Neher was here he made his home at the Comer House.

High School.

Emmet LaRue, Ray Parks, Alice Ryan and Helen Hopkins visited school Monday.

One of the Senior girls says each state sends two senators and it makes no difference about the size. It certainly doesn't-of either the state or senator.

Lois Thompson visited High School Tuesday afternoon.

School was dismissed at 2:30 Thursday afternoon for Christmas vacation, and all who had no classes the last period were excused from assembly. Miss Hume left on the 10:55 for Springfield, Ohio. Thursday afternoon Miss Work went to her home at Elkhart, Ind., Mr. Bradshaw went to Indianapolis, Mr. Sullivan to Salem, Ind., and Miss Stockbridge to Ann Arbor, Mich.

ONE HUNDRED pounds of Gluten Feed contains the protein of FIVE HUNDRED pounds of Corn. It's the Best Milk Producer. For sale by Maines & Hamilton.

Bread made of the Gem flour received the highest test of any other bread made in the township or country. Only \$1.40 a sack.

JOHN EGER.

BIG DREDGE FINISHES

THE IROQUOIS WORK

Reaches Lower Terminus and is Set Out of the Channel. Considerable Hand Work Will be Required.

The big Sternberg dredge reached its lower terminus as defined in the specifications last Friday night and preparations were at once begun to get the big boat out of the channel. This was accomplished by digging a large hole on the north side of the river and after setting the boat into that removing the dam from the channel. This required all day Saturday and until Sunday noon, at which time the big boat rested snugly in its winter quarters and the water that was backed up to keep it afloat in the channel was rushing down stream. The location of the dredge is about a quarter of a mile below the farm residence of W. S. Grant.

The dredge during the almost three years since it was set afloat above the Pullins bridge has been in charge of Henry Shortz, who has worked for C. H. Sternberg & Sons for the past seven years. He manipulated the crane during almost all of this time and is one of the ablest all around dredge men in the country. His close attention to the work has not altogether agreed with him and he is suffering from a weak back that has caused him to decide for the present, at least, to give up dredge work, and he will go to a farm he bought some two years ago near Charlotte, Mich. Mrs. Shortz has been there for some time, and he will start overland from Rensselaer, probably Tuesday morning, driving a team

of good colts he purchased several months ago. Mr. Shortz liked Rensselaer and said to a reporter for the Republican that he felt very grateful to the citizens and business men of the town for many accommodations he had received during the time he had been here. He will give farming a thorough try-out and if he doesn't like it, he expects to again get into the dredge business.

He was assisted during the last few weeks by Chris Riddle and Chas. Wood. The former will live here with his mother for the winter probably and Mr. Wood went to Faly Oaks this morning to take up his winter residence.

Although the dredge has completed its work the ditch is far from completed, as there are various high places and many ledges protruding from the banks through the sections where the rock was encountered. This work will be completed under the direction of B. J. Moore, who had the rock blasting sub-contract, and it will probably require the greater part of next summer with a fair sized number of men to get it all down to specifications.

The big ditch when completed will have cost something like \$120,000. The case that is now awaiting a decision in the circuit court is a remonstrance against a petition to extend the ditch from the place where the dredge now stands to a point below Low Brook.

Marriage Licenses.

Dec. 24. Marly E. Stowers, born Jasper county, Ind., March 21, 1891, present residence Jasper county, occupation farmer, and Mary Maude George, born in Kansas, Dec. 23, 1890, present residence Jasper county, occupation housekeeper, 1st marriage for each. Both are minors and the license applications were signed by the mothers of each.

Dec. 28. Amil Schultz, born Jasper county Dec. 14, 1873, present residence Jasper county, occupation farmer, and Alfreda W. Ritter, born Roberts, Ill., Dec. 6, 1888, present residence Jasper county, occupation keeper, 1st marriage for each.

George W. Terhune, one of the oldest of Republican subscribers, and an old resident of Jasper county who has never lost interest in the old town and country notwithstanding his long years of absence, sends money back for a subscription renewal. He will be 87 years of age on February 22d, that is he writes "if he lives till then." Mr. Terhune sent to us the same bill that some one else had sent him for a Christmas present. He states in his letter that he thinks he still has some warm friends back here.

Congressman Harry A. Barnhart, of Rochester, is happy over an unexpected Christmas present, which he received from Uncle Sam. It is in the shape of a check for \$4,000. The check was sent him as salary as congressman from the time Congressman Brick died up to the present date. This back salary was totally unexpected, as Barnhart did not take office until December 7th.

Let us know your wants now and for New Years we can get carnations, violets, mignonette, stevia, sweet peas, roses, narysis, in fact anything you want if you will telephone us your orders in time.

THE KING FLORAL CO.

We sold over 35 dozen carnations Christmas and then did not have enough to go around for the reason so many failed to telephone us their orders in time. Telephone your New Years orders early and oblige.

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Of the 31,443 deaths in Illinois during the first half of the year, 2,756 were from tuberculosis and 4,117 from pneumonia. The rate of death is 11.19 per cent of each 1,000 of population.

John Dill, a Marshall county farmer, was found Tuesday pinned under a tree which he had felled. He had lain three days without food, suffering intensely. Little hope is entertained for his recovery.

According to dispatches from Milwaukee, the United States Steel corporation is planning to build a \$10,000,000 town at the head of Lake Superior, about six miles from Superior and Duluth, similar to Gary.

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