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NEWS BRIEFS**

Chicago is asked to enlist 1,000 sailors immediately for the United States navy.

The Rockford City hospital was operated at a loss of \$2,218 in 1916, the annual report showed.

John Rouse, one of the oldest settlers of Lake county, died in Waukegan. He was born in England in 1828.

Mrs. Anna Dirkson, for sixty years a resident of Freeport, celebrated her ninety-ninth birthday anniversary in excellent health.

Full suffrage for women in Illinois only can be obtained through a constitutional convention, declared Mrs. Grace Wilbur Trout.

The real and personal property of Mrs. Marie Phillips, amounting to \$1,200, was bequeathed to the Congregational church at Rockton.

Professor Joseph Hecker, who enjoyed national note as a musician, composer and bandmaster, died at Elgin, aged seventy-one years.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Parks celebrated their golden wedding at Dexter. Both were born in Ohio. Mr. Parks was a soldier of the civil war.

Postmasters appointed—Charles A. Heffern, Ashkum; Frank W. Squire, Godfrey; Thomas E. Cahill, Lake Bluff, and Edna Clemons, Weldon.

James C. Curran, fifty years old, a farmer, escaped from a sickbed while delirious. He was found frozen to death near his home at Mt. Carmel.

Announcement was made in mining circles at Duquoin of the temporary appointment of 3 new state mine inspectors by Governor Lowden to fill vacancies.

Rev. J. R. McGlade, D. D., of Princeton, has been invited to become pastor of the South Presbyterian church of Galena to succeed Rev. G. D. Heuver, resigned.

A \$60,000,000 state bond issue for good roads in Illinois was urged at a meeting of officers of the Alton way with State Highway Engineer Marr at Springfield.

Men who desire to learn to sew have been invited to attend the sewing circle of the Swedish Methodist church. Young women have volunteered to instruct them.

Roy Mollott, a young farmer of Sterling, followed the tracks of a skunk through the snow to its lair and dug out eleven of the hides. He received \$22 for the hides.

After an absence of more than eighteen years, Christ Rasmussen, widely known in the west as the pastor robber, has been returned to the Joliet prison as a parole violator.

Thoroughbred horses to the value of \$25,000 were sold at the third annual breeders sale at Bloomington. F. Imea, of Franklin, Ia., paid one thousand dollars for a Percheron.

Telegrams of felicitation came from friends in many sections of the country to Dr. and Mrs. J. H. More, when they celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of their wedding, at Polo.

The Illinois regiments of the national guard, most of whom have seen service on the Mexican border, would be ready to take the field within forty-eight hours' notice, 11,186 strong.

County Judge Roy C. Freeman received a petition, bearing 265 signatures, for a vote on the commission form of government plan and set the election for Feb. 20 at Champaign.

Charles Oberz, a former county supervisor, fell dead at Rock Island while on the way to a studio to have a group picture taken following the holding of a family reunion at his home.

Governors of states began early to telegraph President Wilson approving his course. The first messages to come were from Governor Lowden of Illinois and Governor Manning of South Carolina.

Wets are preparing to launch a campaign to take Hampshire out of the dry column at the spring election. Local option leaders declare there is little chance of the saloons being voted in again.

Evan A. Humphreys, sixty-four years old, died of paralysis. He had resided in Pana fifty-three years.

Humphreys, a Democrat, was former state's attorney of Christian county and city attorney of Pana.

James B. Yundt, son of the Rev. S. J. Yundt, pastor of Grace Episcopal church at Galena, was instantly killed by 4,000 volts of electricity while working at the Hazel Green substation for the Interstate Light and Power company.

The basketball team of Dixon High school has disbanded. A member of the team was suspended, following investigation of a hazing incident, and because his reinstatement was refused, the other members of the team declined to play.

As relatives of Ira Crammer opened a casket at Petersburg thought to contain his body they were shocked to find that of another man. The coffin had been sent from a Jacksonville hospital. Later it was found a mistake had been made by employes of the hospital.

Nameeki's 143 voters went to the polls and by a majority of 33 voted to make it an incorporated city. The incorporation includes three square miles, mostly farm land. Two merchandise stores, two saloons and a blacksmith shop form the business section.

George Wallace, Jr., aged eighteen, and Miss Mabel Watkins, sixteen, who were married by the Rev. George W. Boyd, pastor of the Baptist church, hold the present record for early marriages in Cass county. The young couple belongs to prominent pioneer families at Beardstown.

State Hardware Dealers' association met at Springfield.

Commission form of city government was defeated by 233 votes at Centralia.

William Seitz, a shot firer, was crushed to death under a rock in a mine at Morris.

Edward Norris, aged ninety, a veteran of the civil war, died from an attack of grip at Mattoon.

The members of the St. Clair county board of supervisors discussed an appropriation of \$35,000 for a detention home.

Streator voted not to change to the commission form of city government. The proposition was lost by 571 votes of a total of 2,700.

Mayor J. C. Westervelt confiscated five carloads of bituminous coal from the yards in Shelbyville to relieve the coal famine that became desperate.

O. O. Smith, a rural mail carrier of Freeburg, was deposed as president of the board of education of that school district at the meeting of the board.

George Mears of Aurora, the oldest white life convict in the state prison at Joliet, and a lifer, died before daylight from the penitentiary on the eve of a pardon.

The will of Samuel C. Smiley of O'Fallon was admitted to probate. Charles T. and Ernest H. Smiley, his sons, were appointed executors and filed a bond of \$50,000.

The Rockford Lecter band is the latest musical organization in the city. It is composed of twenty members, all of whom are members of the American Federation of Musicians.

Rev. W. T. Gordon, a pioneer minister of the Christian church in Southern Illinois, was run down and killed by an Illinois Central train near Edgewood. He was a veteran of the civil war.

Wilbur Glenn Voliva, overseer of Zion City, whose edicts concerning smoking, kissing and similar "frivolities" of humanity rule his followers, has put the "kibosh" on eyeglasses also.

When Judge Thomas Jeff saw John and Mary Graham, to whom he had granted a divorce, entering a picture show together he ordered them into court and revoked the decree at Hillsboro.

Telegraph operators of the Big Four railroad were notified of a 10 per cent increase in pay. The increase will date back to Dec. 1, with time and one-half for overtime. Four thousand men are affected.

To perpetuate the memory of Abraham Lincoln and to preserve interest in the civil war patriots of Menard county are the objects of the Old Salem Lincoln league just organized at Peersburg.

Reuben Rushing, aged nineteen years, was instantly killed and his brother, Albert Rushing was burned at an early hour in the morning as the result of a boiler explosion as they quit work at the Security mine at Duquoin.

Fire marshals from many states and representatives of insurance companies will assemble at Galesburg Feb. 20-22 to conduct a state fire survey, one of a series of meetings of the kind to be held in the leading cities of Illinois.

Women would be prohibited from smoking cigarettes or tobacco in any form at any cafe or other public place by provisions of a bill introduced in the Illinois house of representatives by Representative B. P. Clattenberg of Chicago.

Governor Frank O. Lowden announces he will commute the death sentence of Elston Scott, Murphysboro negro, who has become famous because of the number of times the hanging was postponed by former Governor Dunne.

International warfare failed to interfere with the romance of Henry Maday Nomura, Japanese consul at St. Louis, who was married at Springfield to Miss Lovenda L. Heidinger, also of St. Louis, whose parents were born in Germany.

The first test on state-wide prohibition in the state senate resulted in an overwhelming victory for the dries. The test came when Senator John Dalley, wet, attempted to make the state-wide bill so drastic that it would be certain of defeat.

Mrs. Patrick W. Lynch, at Springfield, with forty varieties, holds the Illinois record for variety of cacti. She has more than forty different cactus plants growing in her conservatory, spending many years in collecting the numerous varieties.

The announcement by Mayor Will Lewman, three times elected as the saloon candidate, that he was a dry and would work to drive saloons from Danville, was followed by the announcement of George F. Reareck, prominent attorney and dry worker, for mayor.

Townsend Blanchard, one of the pioneer residents of Perry county, died at his home in Tamaroa, aged eighty-five years. Blanchard had been prominently identified with the Presbyterian church in Illinois for more than half a century and was active in Masonic circles.

Because it was necessary for him to appear in the Logan county circuit court in connection with a case in which he was interested, William H. Harden left his farm for the first time in many years. Harden has not left his country place more than half a dozen times in the seventy-two years of his life.

Old enough to know better John Norton, of Chicago, aged sixty, and Ida McCuen of Alexandria, Ind., forty-nine, got a Kane county license January 16 and were married in Chicago, County of Cook. Some careful person amended the license Mr. Norton bought at Geneva, scratching out the word Kane and writing in Cook so that the marriage form read: "Cook county."



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