FREDERICK COSTE

(World war II photo)

probably was a heavy

knife, possibly a hunting

No Witnesses

knife.

afterthought

Frederick Leonard Coste was a quiet, well-mannered man who once ran a downtown finance company. That he should become a murder victim was almost unimag-

His firm, the Family Finance Corp., was located at 312½ Second avenue SE. That this office should become a murder site on a busy weekday morning also was unthinkable.

But Coste, 47, was murdered and the crime remains unsolved. Today is the fifth anniversary of the crime.

Meanwhile, the Coste murder investigation file in the detective bureau has grown to one-foot thick.

#### Trail Grows Cold

wing up.

"The files will remain open loan, then killed him with a ling several months.

Although authorities beuntil an answer or solution series of stabs.
to the murder is found," De- Kuba said theft of the mon-

in the five-year-old case.

Three years ago we had a slight lead from another

clearing up this case. There leave the building. been murder cases solved 20 years after the crime was committed.

### Confesses to Crime

tailed, it was paper thin factors' dinner Nov. 10. when police began gathering He is Vance Packard, the The figure includes apevidence on the day of the only author in recent years proximately \$30,000 contrib-

day, started out as an ordi-non-fiction fields. nary day in downtown Cedar Rapids. By 11:30 a.m. shop ping was reaching a peak and restaurants were beginning to fill with noonday luncheon patrons.

Also, at 11:35 a.m., 1 w o men walked into the upstairs office of the Family Finance Corp. The men, Thomas McMurrin and Donald Mc-Spadden, found Coste's body on the-floor, lying in a pool of blood. They summoned

Detectives George Matias (now police chief), Roy Walker and Identification Officer T. C. McDermott in vestigated the murder scene.

### Stabbed Six Times

Dr. Percy Harris, county medical examiner, concluded that Coste had been stabbed six times in the chest. One of the thrusts punctured the

No murder weapon wa found, Subsequent investigation revealed that \$258 had been stolen from the office, obviously by the assailant.

Capt. Kuba speculated that the murder weapon



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Police theorized that the murderer may have been a nounced Thursday.

tion came to a standstill.

Meanwhile, Coste's wife

"It will be held in conjunc-

from their A avenue NE the University of Iowa," Dehome to Atlanta, Ga., their Wees said. "A chartered bus

And, even though the murderer's trail has grown colder and colder, police are not probably over refusal of a Rapids. She had been miss-

lieve Miss Padfield was murtective Capt. John Kuba said ey probably was secondary to the murder. That is, the Kuba said the last three murder was a marting dered, pathologists' examination of the skeletal remains revealed no sign of Kuba said the last three murder was a crime of vioyears have yielded no leads in the five-year-old case.

#### Keokuk Republicans

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## Packard To Speak Here

to have had three books in uted by Cedar Rapids' firms household when she analyzes Oct. 15, 1959, also a Thurs- succession reach the top in and corporations.

Concesses to Crime

"Usually the murderer confesses to an earlier crime as additional information to a current crime."

Although the Coste murder file is bulky and deferred file is bulky and designed it was naper. It is a factors' dinner Nov. 10.

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and younger daughter moved tion with the Homecoming at former home, where Coste will take Shriners to and from the game. Dinner will

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> record at the public hearing city dump Wednesday afteron the project next Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Memorial noon. He suffered crushed coliseum.

panel from Des Moines will who favors taking approval hospital in Marshalltown. address a public meeting at hards of city councils is Waiter College auditorium.

The panel, comprised of the panel, comprised of line county.

isting law, which calls for decision by the city coun-cil alone, is "undame- was using to block it.

He said that when voter

democratic process is to coninue, the voice of the people should be paramount. The true test of the feelings of a community are manifested when legislation re-quires a mandatory vote by

### Mishap with Loader

pecial to The Gazette
TAMA — Leslie Metz, city many Shriners will be going trucks and would help in ex-Earlier that year, pretty directly to the dinner and pansion of existing industries water commissioner, suf-17-year-old Mariene Padfield party from the game. De-and acquisition of new ones. He added that the bureau's an accident with a crawlerstand will be read into the loader machine at the Tama fingers and multiple bone fractures of the hand. He The legislative candidate was taken to Evangelical

> water from the river from the next general assembly a diesel leak on the injector.
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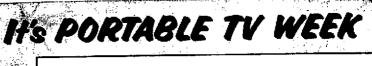
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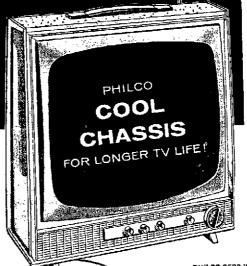
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