

CITY NEWS

Mrs. George Wagner is confined to her home with illness. Nollp King of Fairbank was a caller here yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Dale Stockwell spent Sunday with relatives at Maynard. A. Hafnerman of Maynard was a business caller in the city today. Dr. G. N. Wasson was a business caller in Wadena yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. J. Woods of Westgate were city shoppers this morning. Mr. and Mrs. H. Stewart of Hazelton were callers in the city today. Mr. R. Miller of Aurora is spending the day in the city on business. Mr. and Mrs. A. Carnarius spent yesterday with friends in Waterloo. Mrs. Floyd Oakley of Hazelton was a caller in the city yesterday afternoon. Mrs. James Morrison was a city caller in Waterloo yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Bert Swartz is reported quite ill at her home on West Charles street. Marie Burk of Dubuque is visiting for a few days in the J. M. Hayes home. Hazel Bowman of Arlington was a shopper in the city yesterday afternoon. Rev. John D. Clinton of Fayette was a caller in the city yesterday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. R. Moore of Randall were city shoppers yesterday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Reid of Strawberry Point were shoppers in the city today. Mrs. W. E. Smith visited the past few days with friends at Hyrum and Rockford, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. P. Canady and family of Cedar were city shoppers yesterday afternoon. Carl Potwin of Aurora spent last evening in the city visiting with relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. A. White motored to Waterloo yesterday and spent the day with friends. Mr. and Mrs. James Hall and children of Postville were city callers yesterday afternoon. Beulah McNamara who has been confined to his bed the past 16 days is slightly improved. Mr. and Mrs. M. Reed and children of Independence were callers in the city last evening. Miss Marcella Schlumbohm who has been confined to her home with illness is reported improved. Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Larkin and son Don of New Hampton visited relatives in the city yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Waskow of Aurora spent last evening in the city visiting with friends and relatives. Mr. and Mrs. V. Bauer of Arlington spent last evening in the city visiting with friends and relatives. Mrs. Ray Ives is here visiting with her mother, Mrs. Thomas Powers until her new home at Alton, Illinois, is completed. Bernard Dwyer of Flint, Michigan is spending a short time in the city with his sisters, Elaine and Mary on Third Avenue S. W. Dinner at Riders Hall, Wednesday, Feb. 1st. Music by Jack Howard and his orchestra. Special Musical program. Gents 25c Ladies 15c.—adv. The many friends of Robert Young will be glad to learn that he is getting along nicely at his home after being confined to the Mercy hospital. Mrs. Joe Teland returned to Lame, Iowa after spending the past few days in the city with relatives. She came to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. M. Kirby. Miss Mary Stewart who is in nurses training at the St. Elizabeth's hospital at Washington, D. C., will be among the St. Elizabeth's glee club which will broadcast this evening at 8:00 over WIC. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Andrew of Marion, Iowa, visited relatives in the city yesterday afternoon enroute to their home from West Union where they have been spending the past few days on business. Mrs. Jens Sorenson who fell on the icy sidewalk yesterday morning, breaking her right arm, was taken to the Mercy hospital where she received treatment and was then removed to her home at 223 7 Ave. N. W. where she is resting nicely. Among those from Oelwein who attended the funeral of the late E. H. Lockwood at Fayette, Sunday afternoon were: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rundle, Ella Rundle, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Butler and daughter Ethel, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Butler, Kate Knoss.

SUPERIOR COURT NEWS

The only case Judge Cook had before him today in superior court was that of Tony Lickiss, charged with intoxication. He entered a plea of guilty to the charge and paid a fine of \$10 and costs. ELKS SKAT CLUB The Elks Skat club held their regular session last night at the Elks club room. For the evening play Hoyer was high man, Thiele second and Walker third. The following is the standing of the members: You Lost Net Pts. Ritchie 133 52 91 3304 Oelberg 110 24 86 2235 Ward 88 15 83 1931 Schoenborg 100 23 82 2581 Forthum 95 19 82 2154 Hoyer 88 14 74 2054 Walrath 100 30 70 2101 Hill 120 51 69 2077 Graf 112 45 68 1610 Planagan 100 34 66 1581 Thiele 76 11 65 1632 Holmes 86 26 60 1771 Neuhauer 103 44 59 1592 Larson 74 41 33 1327 Knos 51 21 31 1187 Gotnam 20 1 19 610 Walker 12 1 10 270 Morse 12 5 8 256 Webb 10 9 7 246

HELLER HELD IN DOWNING DEATH

Ernest Heller of Westgate is Arraigned Before Judge Cook Charged With the Murder of Ashley Downings. Ernest Heller, aged 30 years, was arraigned before Judge Cook in superior court yesterday afternoon, charged with the murder of Ashley Downings near Westgate about three weeks ago. He waived hearing and was bound over to the next session of the grand jury, in April, without bond. He was taken back to the jail at West Union awaiting grand jury action. Heller, it will be remembered, was picked up and held for investigation a few days following the murder of the aged man. After holding him in jail at West Union for a few days he was discharged from custody and he returned to his home at Westgate, where he lives with his mother. About a week ago he was again taken in custody and placed in the West Union jail. He was brought down to Oelwein yesterday afternoon for arraignment to answer the charge of murder. State Agent Anderson, Sheriff Nehring and County Attorney Cooney were here and accompanied him back to West Union after he was bound over to the grand jury. The murder, it will be recalled, was a cold blooded affair, evidently having been committed between 1:30 and four o'clock in the afternoon. At the latter hour the body of Ashley Downings was found on the floor at the home on his farm, with a large part of his face and head blown away with a shotgun. He was found lying near a pile of wood he had in his room near the stove. Heller, it is said, was cutting wood not far from the Downings home, and other suspicious actions led to his arrest. He is well known in and around Westgate and has been in trouble before. He posed as a boxer and has been seen in a few exhibitions in this section of the state, but never made much of a reputation at it.

OBITUARY MRS. M. D. KIRBY

Agnes Carroll was born on a farm five miles south of Epworth, Iowa August 16th, 1881. She was the youngest of the family of nine children born to Matthew and Mary Carroll. She resided at Epworth until Feb. 28, 1911 when she was united in marriage to Maurice Kirby and moved to Oelwein, Iowa, where she has since resided. She was an excellent wife and mother and an active member in church affairs. She was a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters and was at the time of her death Recording Secretary which office she had held for several years. The funeral took place in the Sacred Heart church at 9 o'clock Friday morning. The solemn high Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father Woodman. Interment was made at the Woodman cemetery. She will be sadly missed by the bereaved husband, Mr. Maurice Kirby and children Cyril, Edmund and Vincent of Oelwein and Mrs. E. A. Brunsmann of Charles City. One son Bernard preceded her in death.—Con.

Congress Turns To Relief Of Debt Ridden

(Continued from Page One.) enable debts to be paid in cheaper dollars, there is the possibility of a simultaneously killing of retail buyers which would put wage earners against a new high cost of living problem. The tendency in congress now is to forego for the present attempts to print more dollars and to work on the alternative of reducing debts. "Everyone might as well be prepared to accept the situation," said Senator Robert F. Wagner, Sen. N. Y., "those who hold farm mortgages and railroad securities, will have to face the situation. Eventually institutions like insurance companies must be prepared to accept smaller returns than originally anticipated and it may be that in the end this will be reflected in smaller dividends to policy-holders." Wagner said he knew of a New York Corporation unable to meet bond interest. It appealed to the bondholders to accept a one per cent interest reduction. "The bondholders agreed unanimously to this," he said. Because of the agony which mortgage-ridden farmers are undergoing, their problem is being given special consideration. Bills in the senate banking and currency committee would provide for refinancing some \$5,500,000,000 (B) of farm mortgages at lower rates of interest and in reduced principal amounts. About \$1,000,000,000 (B) in farm mortgages have been wiped out because of foreclosures. Some suggest that mortgages would be safer if cut down and put on a lower interest basis so farmers could meet them. This would result, they say, in more for the holders of mortgages than for foreclosed mortgages. One plan by Senator Frazier, Sen. N. D., would refinance through the federal farm loan board by advancing 80 per cent of the fair value of farms at rates of 1 1/2 per cent a year plus a payment of 1 1/2 per cent on the principal each year. Washington, Jan. 31.—(UP)—The LaGuardia-McKowen bankruptcy bill, overwhelmingly passed by the house and today awaiting senate disposition, is designed to accomplish three major objectives all centering around direct debtor relief. "All for the individual, jobless or with reduced income, who finds it impossible to maintain payments on debts contracted in boom times. A method by which railroads and other large corporations may squeeze out the 'water' in their capitalization, reorganize and continue to do business without going through bankruptcies and re-debtorships. Indirect benefit to insurance companies and holders of corporate securities who would be adversely affected by bankruptcies. To accomplish these objectives the LaGuardia-McKowen bill provides a method whereby federal courts may supervise compromises between debtors and creditors. The bill is roughly divided into three sections: Individual relief, corporate relief and reorganization, railroad reorganization. The first directly affects every individual who through stress of economic conditions is unable to meet his obligations. The process for relief is relatively simple. An individual files a petition with the nearest federal district court. He then meets with a local federal referee and his creditors and seeks to obtain agreement to a plan for scaling down or postponing payments. If a majority of his creditors, in number and in amount of obligations held, agree and the court approves, the plan goes into effect. If he fails to secure the necessary majority, courts are given authority to grant extensions of payments, providing such extensions do not impair validity of obligations. To Award 101 Academic Degrees Iowa City, Ia., Jan. 31.—(UP)—One hundred and one academic degrees to students from 15 states and the Philippine islands will be handed out by President Walter A. Jesuit at the University of Iowa mid-year convocation. They include 25 master's degrees, and 10 doctors of philosophy.

Start Work At Briggs Plants

(Continued from Page One.) Kitzka and Pinsky are held for immigration authorities. C. E. Sorenson, Ford general manager, arrived at the Highland Park plant of the Briggs company and hurried inside. No estimate was made as to the time necessary to get the factory under full production. Judge William S. Connolly, treasurer of the Briggs company said he believed the men would all return to work when they found they were not being menaced and understood the new wage scale. He expressed belief that production would be resumed rapidly, once under way. Strike leaders announced a mass meeting at 1 p. m., to discuss terms of the Briggs new wage scale and the previously made strike joint committee demands. Murray Makes Appointments Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 31.—(UP)—Secretary of Agriculture Ray Murray today announced the appointment of seven dairy and food inspectors and two stenographers, effective Feb. 1. The inspectors were: Hans Scott of Maquoketa, for Delaware, Dubuque, Jones and Jackson counties; C. E. Rhum of Wayland, for Louisa, Henry, Des Moines and Lee counties; J. J. Baxter of Walnut, for Shelby, Polk, Waukegan and Harrison counties; Nick Thomas of LeMars for Plymouth, Woodbury, and Monona counties; C. M. Martin of Wall Lake, for Cherokee, Pottawattamie and Calhoun counties; Joe Barry of Hampton, for Franklin, Butler, Hardin and Grundy counties; and Raymond Deering of Boone, Story, Marshall and Dallas counties. GLASSES FITTED At a price you like to pay. Prices to meet the times. Dr. A. H. Berger, Opt. 4 1/2 West Charles St. BLUE - RIBBON LUMP Will Give You the Most For Your Working Dollar. \$6.65 CASH. Delivered. Oelwein Farmers Creamery

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Search For Girl Attacker

Burlington, Ia., Jan. 31.—(UP)—Police today renewed efforts to discover a man who has sent three threatening notes to Louise Christensen, comely junior college girl, demanding \$500, and climaxed his threats by attacking the girl at her home last night. Police had known since Friday that Miss Christensen had been threatened but had attributed the notes and several telephone calls to cranks. Last night Miss Christensen drove her automobile into the garage at her home, and as she locked the garage door was seized from behind. She screamed. The assailant slugged her and fled. Neighbors roused by the screams said they saw a man running through the yard. They found Miss Christensen unconscious on the sidewalk. Later the girl revealed that she had been ordered to place \$500 in a box and throw it from an automobile at a certain spot in the city park. Sunday night, she said, she threw an empty box as directed. It was gone the next morning when she investigated.

Circus Gets \$66,000 Against Tom Mix

Eric, Pa., Jan. 31.—(UP)—Colonel Zack T. Miller, former operator of the 101 Ranch circus, today was awarded \$66,000 damages from Tom Mix, western film star, in his \$342,000 suit alleging breach of contract. The jury of 10 men and two women reached a verdict after more than 15 hours deliberation. Miller claimed Mix broke a verbal contract to appear with the 101 Ranch circus for \$10,000 weekly. Mix, denying reaching such an agreement with Miller, offered testimony by circus experts in an effort to prove he was not a valuable circus attraction. More than two weeks were required for the second hearing of the suit in which Miller originally was awarded \$90,000 damages. Mix appealed successfully for a new trial after the first trial.

House Favors The Thirty-Hour Week

Washington, Jan. 31.—(UP)—The House labor committee favorably reported today the 30-hour work-week bill designed to spread employment.

ABOUT OUR SCHOOLS

G. B. FERRELL. —CHARACTER EDUCATION— There is a phase of our school life of most importance to the individual and to the community, which, because it is not listed in the curriculum or on the daily schedule, is often overlooked in checking the values and the contributions of our public schools. This thing, Character Education, has been a subject of much discussion and some experimentation in educational circles during recent years and many schools have organized class work in which they purpose to teach Character Education. We have no such organized classes in the Oelwein Schools and we do not anticipate the introduction of any such. We feel that Character Education is one of the major educational objectives, that every subject and every activity should be directed toward character development; hence, that it should not be lowered to the common status of a curriculum subject. This situation might be interpreted that we are giving no definite emphasis to Character Education. In fact our major emphasis is Character Education. We emphasize the values of the teaching of fundamental subject material none the less because of this attitude, but we do feel that a "Mental Education" without the balance wheel of good character represents a monstrous mass of wasted energy. It is much more than that, for in such a monster lies the power of fearful destruction. Our drive for Character Building is, first of all, through the teacher; for we realize that Character is a thing that is "caught" rather than taught. We are, therefore, extremely careful in the selection of our teachers that they are the right kind of folks; and if we find that there are those who have not ideals which elevate, we do not hesitate to make this a cause for early separation. Our specific program of character education, if it may be so designated, is expressed in the conduct of our regular work, in the treatment of the many special problems which arise, in the inclusion of much character building material in our reading program, through individual and group consultations or inspirational lectures, and through bulletins of suggestions and inspiration from our central office. A full and complete exposition of our program in behalf of Character Education would require too much space for treatment here; so we must depend on this brief statement to indicate to you the emphasis and effort now being put forth through your public schools in behalf of character building which is the very heart of a real Education.

Open Forum

Oelwein, Iowa, January 30, 1933. To the President and Members of the Board of Education of the Independent School District of Oelwein, Iowa: The Committee on tax reduction wish to advise you of the action taken at the open mass meeting held at the City Hall Friday evening, January 27th. The Chairman asked for an expression regarding the amount of salary to be paid the Superintendent of Schools. The consensus of opinion was that the salary should not exceed \$2,500.00 and this was approved by a vote of 96 out of 111 present at this meeting. The Committee also calls to your attention that the Superintendent being present, voted "Aye" on this question and this fact should be taken into consideration at your meeting Tuesday evening, January 31st. The Committee further feels that in making the recommendation for this salary being fixed at \$2,500.00 that they are carrying out the mandate of the tax paying people of the Oelwein School District and we would urge you to request that no greater amount than \$2,500.00 be paid the Superintendent for the ensuing contract year and that other salaries be scaled downward accordingly when the matter comes up for discussion. Yours very truly, Citizens' Tax Protective League, by George R. Shirk, chairman, Advisory committee.

Funeral of Mrs. Addie Butler

Funeral services for Mrs. Addie Butler will be held Wednesday afternoon at one-thirty o'clock at the Christian church. Burial will be made at Woodlawn cemetery.

Funeral of Newell Irwin

The funeral services of Newell Irwin will be held Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock at the Methodist church. Interment will be made at Woodlawn cemetery. The family request that flowers be omitted.

Sam Sherman Accidentally Shot

Sam Sherman, aged about 20 years, accidentally shot himself at the home of his parents in Oelwein, about midnight last night. He says he was looking for some thing in a closet at home and knocked over a 22 calibre and knocked it in the breast and arm. He came down town and had his wound dressed, and was taken to the hospital for treatment. Nothing serious is expected to result from the accident.

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