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"Rainbow" Crashes Before Flight

Florida Storm Increases Damage by \$2,000,000

French Ace Killed in Test for Atlantic Hop

Hurricane Causes Heavy Damage in Coast Towns

Correspondent Drives 140 Miles to Give World News

MELBOURNE, Fla., Aug. 8 (AP)—A 200 mile strip along the Florida coast suffered severely Tuesday night and Wednesday from terrific hurricane winds that left a trail of desolation from Palm Beach to Titusville.

Stuart, famed for its fishing and its great natural harbor, suffered estimated damage of \$1,000,000. Store windows were blown out by the heavy roofing of all kinds was stripped off like kindling, every telephone was put out of commission, and telephone and telegraph wires were strewn over every street.

In living 140 miles to reach the one telephone wire to the outside world in this part of Florida, your correspondent drove through a 75 mile an hour wind for four hours. The splendid state highway along the east coast was strewn with branches and every mile or two great trees were uprooted.

Roofs Torn Off
Vero Beach was another heavy sufferer, mostly from torn roofs, blown in smashed windows, and roofs of Fremont houses, Miss Molly played by Arlene Mahaffy, Joe Johnson played by Olive Campbell, Earl White played by Mahel Row, Mrs. Lyle played by Gertrude Rowland, Cissie Saunders played by Mary Isaacs.

Lois Young Weds Harley L. Meyer
Horseshoe Canyon was the setting for the marriage of Lois Young, of Clarence, and Harley L. Meyer of Denver, Saturday afternoon, Aug. 4. The Rev. Elmer E. Freed, pastor of Corona Presbyterian church at Denver, performed the ceremony in the presence of the family of the bride.

Knights of Pythias Will Hear Reports
This evening at 7:30 o'clock the Knights of Pythias will meet in regular session at their hall. The rank will be conferred and reports will be given of the recent grand lodge held at Fort Dodge. The lodge delegates were Dr. W. A. Figg, Dell E. Calkins, Attorney Glenn A. Kenderline, Dr. E. H. Ross, Dr. E. Amish and Mr. F. P. Pickworth.

Marriage is Announced
The wedding of Paul Roberts of Des Moines to Lura Mahelle, Des Moines, was announced last week. Mrs. Roberts is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar M. Deal of Zeigler, and is a graduate of Iowa State Teachers college.

Women Will Play for Golf Handicap
Women golfers of the Iowa City country club will play the second round of play for the August handicapped tournament on Friday. The game will begin at 9 a.m.

An Unexpected Form of Farm Relief

By Quin Hall



Induction Service Before First Class

Fealty, Oath Will Be Administered by Pres. Jessup

Just an hour before the first classes of the year 1928-29 begin, University of Iowa students, faculty members, and administrators will gather on the campus for the annual induction ceremony.

Partly hours were spent with dancing and cards.

'Friendship' Sold for Return Flight

Portland, Me., Aug. 8 (AP)—The monoplane Friendship in which Amelia Earhart and her companions flew from this country to England, will be manned by an American crew for a return flight to America, according to information received here today.

Leather Causes Chicago Deaths

CHICAGO, Aug. 8 (AP)—Four deaths in Chicago today were attributed directly or indirectly to leather as the thermometers spanned up and down until an astringent storm late in the afternoon brought relief from the heat.

Officials Discuss Saratoga Springs Vice With Smith

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 8 (AP)—Law enforcement officials of Saratoga county and city, summoned to a conference with Governor Smith today, on alleged gambling and vice conditions at Saratoga Springs, had a half hour talk with the governor.

Explosion Results in \$30,000 Damage

MONTEZUMA, Aug. 8 (AP)—Damage estimated at \$30,000 was caused here today by explosion of two gasoline tanks of the Standard Oil and Mid-continental oil companies. The fire which followed the explosions was still burning tonight, as fire fighters said it would burn all night, without other spread.

Co-Workers Meet in West Branch

Committee Discusses Homecoming Day Problems

Capt. Will J. Hayek and Henry Negus of Iowa City, met with a committee of West Branch and Davenport men at West Branch yesterday noon for a discussion of the homecoming problems of Aug. 21 when Herbert Hoover will visit his old home town.

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Nicaraguans Kill One; Injure Three

PUERTO CABEZAS, Nicaragua, Aug. 8 (AP)—One American marine was killed and three wounded in an encounter with rebels sixty miles from Bocay on the Coco river on Tuesday. Ten insurgents were killed and three wounded.

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Mrs. Kane Denies Statements Sent Out in Dispatches

States Students Carry Sufficient Funds for Trip

Mrs. Elizabeth Kane, mother of Max Kane, one of the four students from the university, who are traveling through Canada, following the waterways by canoe, points out a number of false statements contained in press dispatches relative to the condition of the student explorers.

She denies the report that the young men are without funds, saying that they have ample money with them, and have parents at home who will be able to send them more if it is needed.

Mrs. Kane said that all that the Canadian government has given the party is a permit to make the trip. She denied a statement that the government had outfitted the party, or that the men had intended to hire a guide.

She stated that they were equipped with and had studied the latest maps of the region and were not in need of guides. Furthermore Mrs. Kane says the trip was one of pleasure and to gain what-ever knowledge they could of the country, and was not sponsored by the Canadian government as was reported in one story.

In the letter from her son written on July 6, he stated that the trip was all that one could wish for, she said.

At the time the letter was written they were at Du Brochet. They had just crossed Reindeer lake on the Hudson Bay company's boat, a 100' by 300' motor launch, which was a "big help," according to Kane.

He states that the country is quite lovely, with lots of birch and spruce trees. Max is the chief for the aspiring adventurers and as "we have little variety, culinary knowledge is little needed."

Behind Schedule

The boys are two or three weeks behind schedule. When they left they expected to average about 30 miles per day but they are only able to average 15, and as a result, they will not be able to reach Chesterfield Inlet until late in September.

The party will arrive back about the first of October.

Nordgard to Give Lecture on Forms, Symbols in Algebra

The History of Algebraic Symbols and Forms will be the subject of a lecture to be given by Prof. M. A. Nordgard, head of the department of mathematics at St. Olaf's college, Northfield, Minn., this afternoon at 4:30 in the physics building room 222.

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Demo Leader Dies



George E. Brennan.

Poisoning Causes Death of Brennan

Removes Democratic Leader on Eve of Campaign

CHICAGO, Aug. 8 (AP)—Death has removed George E. Brennan from the ranks of democracy.

The Illinois national committee man succumbed at 8 a.m. yesterday, after a valiant though vain struggle against a tooth infection. He underwent an operation which was considered successful and was given an even chance for recovery until complications developed.

Public funeral services for the veteran democrat were arranged for Friday morning at our Lady of Mt. Carmel church, following private ceremonies in the home.

Mr. Brennan's death on the eve of another political campaign removed one of the chief personalities from his party. He not only was the democratic leader in Illinois, but also occupied a high place in the national party affairs. He was an earnest supporter and personal admirer of Gov. Alfred E. Smith, whose candidacy for the presidency he first aided at the 1924 convention in New York.

Mr. Brennan also was credited with a share in the nomination of Woodrow Wilson in 1912.

Politics was Mr. Brennan's avocation. An insurance business, however, made him independently wealthy.

Messages and expressions of condolence were received from throughout the country, including some republican leaders. James W. Good, western manager of Herbert Hoover's presidential campaign, said "his political associates throughout the country will miss Brennan's counsel and advice."

Surviving are his widow and one daughter.

Board Plans Six Hour School Day in Place of Five

Adoption of a six-hour schedule of classes and study periods in the city junior and senior high schools, was taken up by the Iowa City school board in their regular meeting last night. The new plan, which will replace the old five-hour day, will allow more room, and will give the pupils an extra hour of supervised study day.

Ponfret Discusses Irish Nationalism; Davitt and Parnell

Prof. J. E. Ponfret held a historical discussion yesterday in the senate chamber of Old Capitol. His subject was "The Dawn of Irish Nationalism." During the first part of the hour, Professor Ponfret lectured, after which he threw the meeting open for discussion.

Plane Made of Wood Crashes at Speed of 125 Miles Per Hour; Wreckage Spread Out for 1,000 Feet

PARIS, Aug. 9 (Thursday) — (AP) — Maurice Drouhin, French pilot who was injured in the crash of his trimotored plane, "The Rainbow," at Orly airdrome, Wednesday, died at 2:15 this morning. Engineer Gionolle's condition was said to be grave.

ORLY, Aug. 8 (AP)—Another attempt to fly from Paris to New York ended in disaster today before it had begun.

The giant trimotored "Arc-En-Ciel"—"Rainbow"—crashed on the landing field at Orly airdrome late this afternoon, killing the mechanic Lannet, injuring the Pilot, Maurice Drouhin, and two others, Gionolle and Manuel.

The big plane, designed by Rene Couzinet, and built entirely of wood, constructed so that all of its essential machinery would be accessible during flight, was a complete wreck. Parts of the wings, fuselage, and wires were strewn for 1,000 yards along the field.

Al Smith Awaits Pastor's Reply to Debate Challenge

Presidential Nominee Mourns Death of Brennan

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 8 (AP)—Until the postman brings Governor Smith a letter from Dr. John Roach Straton, accepting his challenge for a close range and free discussion of his political career, the democratic presidential nominee intends to say nothing more about the proposed debate.

In a letter to the pastor of Calvary Baptist church in New York City, Mr. Smith yesterday took exception to the declaration from the pulpit that the governor was the deadliest foe in America today of the forces of moral and true political wisdom.

Smith Asks to Reply
He called on the minister to repeat the assertion to his face in his church, and to give him an opportunity of reply, and proposed that the meeting be held during labor day week.

Doctor Straton, not waiting for Smith's communication to reach him at his New Jersey vacation resort, announced that the debate was a go, but suggested that it be held in some large New York auditorium instead of his church. He also proposed that the nominee and he engage in a series of joint debates through the south.

Today, at the outset of his daily conference with newsmen, Governor Smith was asked for his reaction to the clergyman's counter proposal. He replied that he would not comment, adding:

"I will have nothing to say until I receive a reply from the reverend gentleman."

And with that, he dismissed the subject and passed on to the gambling situation at Saratoga, and the death in Chicago, of his friend, George E. Brennan.

Saratoga Officials Threatened
The governor disclosed that he had called on the carpet the three law enforcement officials at Saratoga whom he had threatened with removal from office if they had proved negligent. The trio—Smith Cromie, District Attorney Sheriff, and Public Safety Commissioner Sweeney—were summoned to Albany for an afternoon conference with the governor, this meeting for the moment relegating presidential politics to the background.

Commenting on the death of Mr. Brennan, the governor recalled that he first met the Illinois democratic leader, who in recent years had been one of his staunchest supporters at the San Francisco convention in 1920. In a formal statement, issued later in the day, he expressed sympathy to the dead political chief, and his family and friends and referred to him as a "warm and loyal friend."

Whether the presidential nominee will go to Chicago to attend the funeral has not been determined.

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Raditch died as a result of wounds received last June 26 in parliament when a judicial deputy, Punica Raditch, infuriated at frequent interruptions, whipped out his pistol and fired six shots into a group of Croats. Each shot claimed a victim, two being killed, one of them a nephew of Raditch, and four wounded.

For a time Raditch's condition improved, but he suffered a relapse. Croatia has seen what has been almost tantamount to martial law, with troops patrolling city streets to quell possible peasant demonstrations.

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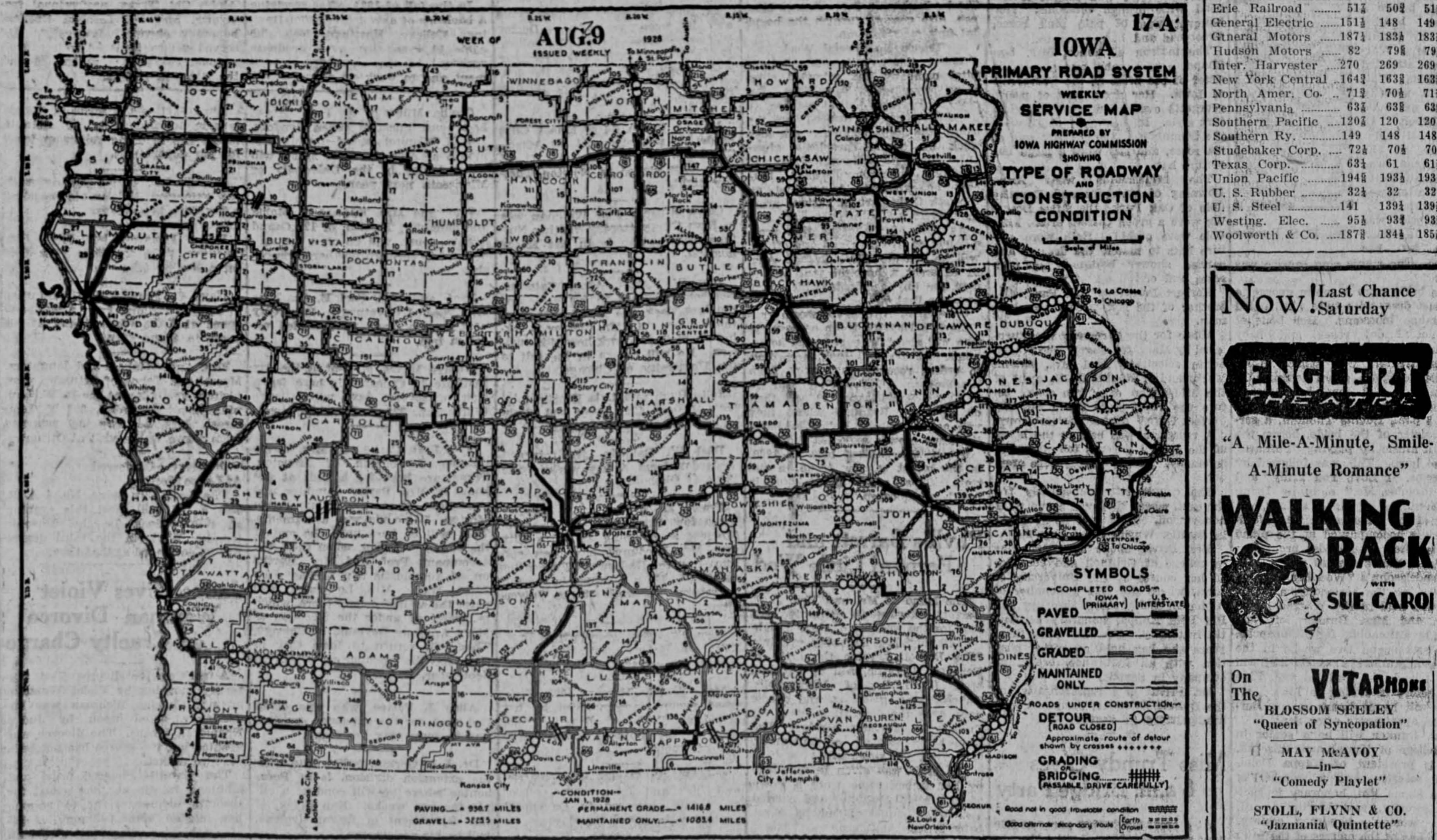
L. H. Blanton, representative of the U. S. treasury department, has been here for several days checking on the value of property adjoining the post office. A bill concerning the purchase of this property is now before congress.

A HUSBAND AT HER HEELS By Mildred Barbour



CONCERNING THE ACTION AND CHARACTERS CELLA DREW, has been obliged, after the death of her father, to go to work. She is the secretary of BENJAMIN HARRINGTON, and is engaged to his son, TOM. The Harringtons disapprove of the match, but Cella does not know this. She has recently rejected a proposal of marriage from HORACE VAIL, one of Harrington's business associates, and incurred his ill will as a result. THE HARRINGTONS, to be rid of Cella, concoct a plot, with Vail's help, whereby Tom finds her locked in her office at midnight with LARRYCROSS, a dissipated young chap, who is hopelessly in love with her. Without waiting for explanations, Tom rushes off. The next day Cella finds herself jobless and the object of gossip. Her sole defender is GWEN BURNS, who is rich and socially prominent. Larry, aghast at what he has done, urges Cella to marry him. She refuses and returns Tom's ring when the day passes without word from him. MRS. DREW goes to pieces at the shock of hearing that Cella's engagement is broken and that Tom has left town. VAIL again proposed to her. SHE IS UNABLE to obtain another position, and Gwen urges her to go to New York. SHE finally goes. AFTER many difficulties, she finds a post as secretary to a rich, eccentric inventor, RICHARD FALCONER, who is writing his memoirs. IN HIS HOME she meets his assistant, JAMES ANNESLEY. A PLEASANT friendship springs up between Cella and Annesley, whom Falconer looks upon as a son. His nearest kin, RICHARD FALCONER, the second, is a scapergone, and the old man has disinherited him. FALCONER sends for Cella one evening when his death is only a matter of hours. HE MARKED HER on his death bed and leaves her his fortune. CHAPTER XXII. FORTUNE'S WHEEL. The size of Falconer's fortune fairly staggered Cella, although she had known that he was rich. She found herself, with the reading of his last will and testament, a very wealthy woman. The big house, with its treasures, was hers to do with as she pleased. "It's too much. Too much!" she declared dazedly to Annesley. "Mr. Falconer was without relatives, except for Richard," he told her. "So naturally you received the bulk of his fortune. He left me a generous gift, as you can see—much too generous for the small services I rendered him. His friendship meant a great deal to me—would have been splendid. An eccentric old man, if you like, but a very splendid one, and a very fine gentleman."

TILLIE THE TOILER



Wheat Values Collapse Reports of Foreign Surplus Tumbles Price to 1924 Level CHICAGO, Aug. 8 (AP)—Facing an estimate that surplus wheat in export countries this season will total 215,000,000 bu., more than last year, wheat values collapsed today. The tumble carried the wheat market 33c a bushel under prices of a year ago and to the lowest level since 1924. Closing quotations on wheat were unsettled, 31c to 32c net lower for the day, with corn varying from 15c decline to no advance, oats 1c to 1c down, and provisions unchanged to 25c down. Likelihood of a bearish government report tomorrow as to domestic wheat added today to the effect of extremely optimistic wheat crop advices from Canada. Authoritative advices were at hand that the Canadian crop is now in a condition well above the average of the last five years. Moreover, the area planted to wheat this year in the Canadian prairie provinces is figured as 23,567,900 acres, showing an increase of 9.95 per cent over 1927, and establishing a new record. On top of this came a statement from a British authority that exports from a British authority that export countries will probably have a surplus stock of 1,104,000,000 bu., whereas world import requirements are placed at only 27,000,000 bu. more than last year. Fine weather for corn growth weakened the price of new crop deliveries of corn, December and March reaching the lowest level yet this season. September delivery of corn, however, and the cash corn market were firm. There were indications of further export business in new crop corn, November, December and January shipment. Receipts of corn in Chicago today were only 57 cars, all deliveries of oats sold today at a new low point for the season, largely as a result of the bearish action of other grain. Provisions were easier, paralleling the course of hog values. Bulges in the cotton market had little effect. September corn dropped to 91 1/2c early today, but was given better support later, and worked up about 2c from the low point on short covering and some buying which was evidently bull support. The deferred months did not make as good a showing as heavy pressure continued, while there was no aggressive buying, the weather conditions continuing light with nothing but good reports from all parts of the belt. San Antonio, Texas, was reported offering new corn for 15-day shipment to Memphis.

Call Money Up to 7 Per Cent; Bond Market Stays Dull

NEW YORK, Aug. 8 (AP)—The bond market again was dull and uninteresting today, traders apparently paying more heed to the advance of call money to 7 per cent, and the calling of upwards of \$20,000,000 in loans by banks than to the large available supply of time money at 6 per cent. Advances in industrial and first grade rails were largely responsible for a slightly firmer tone. Steels were in demand, Wickwire Spencer steel first 7s gaining 4 points to 33 1/2, year's new high. The convertible 7s opened at 36, also a new high, but eased off, although closing fractionally higher. Other steel issues showed small gains. Dodge Brothers 6s were under pressure and sugars were inclined to heaviness. Indiana limestone 6s moved up 3/4 points. Pathe exchange 7s with warrants also were in demand, gaining 2 points. Oils generally improved. Among the rail lines to seek high levels were New Haven convertible debenture 6s, which advanced nearly 2 points; Baltimore & Ohio gold 4s, Katy first 4s, New York Central 4s and Reading 4s. However, the St. Paul issues, Grand Trunk of Canada 6s, Frisco 4 1/2s, Missouri Pacific 5s and a number of others sold off. The foreign list was steady, with most buying centering around Australian commonwealth 4 1/2s, which gained fractionally. U. S. government bonds were soft.

Table of New York Stocks: American aCan, AM. Locomotive, American Sugar, etc.



Now is the time to send in your furs PARIS CLEANERS Phone 68

Defense Attorney Challenges Delay in Reported Death

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 8 (AP)—An attorney's challenge of the asserted failure of Frank Melius to report the slaying of his wife for more than two hours after he found her dead or dying last Sunday, marked a court climax today to an inquest over the body of Mrs. Melius, alleged victim of a romance with "butcher boy." Leo Kelly, the family "butcher boy" and alleged illicit lover of Mrs. Melius had been taken into court for arraignment on a murder charge after the inquest. His attorney was S. H. Hahn. Meanwhile police, armed with the names of prominent architect and store owner's wife, alleged participants in "parties" at the Mellus home at which Kelly was present, pushed forward in an investigation of what they termed the "butcher boy's five year romance" with Mrs. Melius.

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Various small advertisements on the right edge of the page, including mentions of Yankee First, Divin, Girl Sw, Poorly, and other names.

Hermit's Face Slit By Bullet Wounds

Farmer Shot When Brother's Gun Discharges Accidentally; Walks Three-Fourths Mile Before Discovery by Motorist

Fred Bickel, 40 years old, living on the Charles N. Showers farm three miles south of Iowa City, lies in the university hospital with his left cheek shattered by wounds inflicted when the rifle being cleaned by his brother, Bill, accidentally discharged Tuesday about 8 p.m.

His condition, according to the attending physician, Dr. I. A. Rankin, is serious, and the facial nerves may be paralyzed. The accident occurred in the brothers' ramshackle cabin that stands back from the River-to-River road about three-fourths of a mile.

Since there was no means of communication in the shack, the injured man, regardless of pain, made his way slowly to the main road where he collapsed in the grass at one side.

He was discovered by John H. Nelson, Fairview avenue, who at first believed the prone figure with an upraised hand to be a bandit, about to stage a holdup. Nelson, however, stopped when he noticed the blood on Bickel's face, and helped the wounded man into his car. Bickel was brought to the hospital where he received medical attention about 9 p.m.

Only the paralysis of 70-year-old Bill's left side prevented him from getting aid to his brother at the time of the accident. Early yesterday morning, Bill, known to many residents of Iowa City, as "Billy Pickles," hobbled the one mile to a neighbor's house, where he notified them of the shooting. It took him three hours to reach this first farm house. Mr. Showers, owner of the farm land on which the Bickel shack is located, learned of the accident from these neighbors, and called Dr. Rankin, the brothers' physician.

For the last 17 years the two brothers have been familiar figures about Iowa City, as they peddled their garden products from a small wagon. They have lived on this land for the whole period and raised mostly watermelons and the cucumbers which gave Bill his nickname. Their hermitage was built of drift wood from the Iowa river running near by, and the rear part of the hut is "hitched" to an hill.

A third brother, Henry, of Peoria, Ill., has been notified of the accident and is now expected here. Bill, grieving over the accident, is staying on in the cabin, and intends to remain there until Fred is able to return.

Kenderdine Will Address Redmen

Iowa Council no. 54 of the Degree of Pocahontas will entertain members of the councils from Muscatine, Belle Plaine, Clinton, Burlington, and Davenport Saturday afternoon. The program will begin at 3 p.m. Several hundred persons are expected to be present.

The celebration will be opened with an address of welcome by Attorney Glenn A. Kenderdine. Mrs. Elsie Wenak of Muscatine, Great Pocahontas of Iowa will give the response. Stunts will be presented by various visiting teams of Pocahontas, and the local group will give a play, "How the Story Grew."

The cast of the play is: Mrs. Helen Putnam as Mrs. Brown; Mrs. Margaret Orr as Mrs. Green; Mrs. N. J. Alexander as Mrs. Bean; Mrs. Anna Smith as Mrs. Doolittle; Mrs. Josephine Tompkins as Mrs. Snow; Mrs. Clara Cox as Mrs. Rice; Mrs. Bertha Vogel as Mrs. Taylor; and Mrs. J. J. Roberts as Mrs. White. A picnic supper will be served at 6 o'clock in the city park.

At 8 o'clock an open air ceremony will be given in the park by the Davenport council members. A dance at the Redman hall for the visiting Pocahontas and Redmen, the local Pocahontas and their husbands, and the local Redmen and their wives, will conclude the day's events.

Lukehart Held for Murder

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Aug. 8 (AP)—Lawrence Lukehart, confessed auto-theft and slayer of Harvey Boyd, eight in First Omaha, was held with out bond after arraignment today on a charge of murder before Judge Daniel Sheehan in municipal court.

Prof. Patton Honored

Prof. O. K. Patton of the law college, was chosen as a member of the New Jersey commission to revise the New Jersey code of laws.

Roster 186 Hospital Unit of Iowa National Guard

Following is the complete roster of the 186th hospital company, Iowa national guard, which leaves Sunday for the annual encampment at Des Moines:

- Captains: George Marech and Jack J. Hinman, jr.
- First lieutenants: Leonard J. Griffith, Ralph L. Irwin, Irving H. Borts, Henry R. Searle. Technical sergeants, grade 2: Earl J. Gifford.
- Staff sergeants, grade 3: Gus Pusstert, Robert S. Schell, and Charles W. Schmitt.
- Sergeants, grade 4: Leroy J. Amish, Otto L. Bettag, Lester W. Herring, George J. Krotz, Andrew J. Larew, Isaac L. Larew. Corporals, grade 5: George J. Bauer, Arthur E. Brown, Clarence L. Brown. Privates first class, grade 6: Theodore J. Bauer, Robert D. Bothell, Don D. Brown, Carl J. L. Chopek, Bryon J. Dalton, Timothy M. Fairchild, Leroy T. Fay.
- Glen G. Helmer, Claude E. Longstreth, Edward J. McLachlin, Walter E. Riley, Bernard W. Sheridan,
- Frank H. Stutzman. Privates, grade 6: Henry A. Barth, Joseph A. Baschnagle, Leroy J. Belker, Raymond J. Belger, Carl F. Bock, Paul Bock.
- Thomas R. Burger, Leslie F. Chief, George L. Citek, Paul J. Citek, William C. Conklin, George W. Cooney, Max Emmert, Raymond C. Englert, Theodore J. Fay, Edward A. Garwood, Fremant F. Greber, Linden P. Hain, Charles A. Herring, Everett A. Idema, Thomas A. Kelly.
- Roy J. Kozs, Charles F. Laffey, Theodore J. Marech, Ralph A. Masteller, Herbert A. Miller, Irwin H. Moore, James G. Moravec, Worrall R. Nagle, Llewellyn K. Norris, Fred Osterlinke, Joseph R. Pinney, Vernon W. Roche, Donald G. Ruppert, Carl F. Schillig.
- Melvin J. Schreiber, Tracy A. Shely, Edgar L. Slemmons, Raymond E. Smith, William Stevens, Otis W. Teeters, Edgar G. Vassar, Albert L. Vestermark, Eldred L. Vestermark, and William T. Watling.

Rock Home Suffers Damages by Fire

Yesterday morning the home of Mrs. George E. Rock, 1st street and Third avenue in East Iowa City, was damaged by fire to the extent of \$500. The blaze started in a kitchen cabinet.

Mrs. Rock and her two children were forced to escape through a window as the blaze blocked their passage through the door. The fire department extinguished the blaze with chemicals. The loss was covered by insurance.

Everything Ready for Opening of Local Chatauqua

Everything is in readiness for Iowa City's 1928 chatauqua which opens at College Hill park Saturday at 7:30 p.m. The big tent which was leased for this season from the Redpath bureau in Chicago has been erected and local members of the chatauqua board say it is by far the best tent for that purpose that has ever been erected in Iowa City.

Saturday's evening program will be the one of Magic and Mystery presented by the Great Laurant. This wonder worker has achieved a reputation as one of the greatest magicians of today. Newspaper critics and the general public at large who have seen Hermann and Keller at their best declared that Laurant is quite their equal and not a few pronounce him their superior. Mr. Laurant carries two assistants with him in his production and everyone is assured of a splendid treat. This entertainment is a veritable revel in the land of mystery.

Two big Broadway successes will be presented this season in "Tommy" and "The Detour." These plays are presented with a genuine New York cast. Tommy belongs to a rare group of plays which has registered a Broadway hit overnight. It was heralded by the metropolitan critics, without exception, as the cleverest, most thoroughly enjoyable comedy that New York has seen for ages. The Detour is of the same calibre as Tommy and the local chatauqua committee feel they made a good selection in securing these two plays.

Like a glimpse into the very heart of the Alps is the spectacular musical production, "An Alpine Romance" presented by Fiecht's Yoders. The Redpath bureau went to Switzerland to secure this splendid cast and the Fiecht's come from the cradle to the music loving, music loving Tyroleans. With this cast will be Jack Yost and Constantine Wunderle, two widely known Tyrolean artists whose Victor phonograph records are known by thousands. An Alpine Romance will be the biggest musical production ever produced in Iowa City on a chatauqua platform and a splendid treat awaits chatauqua patrons.

This season the Iowa City Chatauqua board decided to reserve a section of choice seats in the center of the big auditorium. These reserved seats will sell for ten cents daily for the evening programs only. The afternoon sessions will not have reserved seats. This plan was adopted by the local board after many local patrons had requested this concession.

Leeper's Report Shows Condition in Rural Schools

Ratio of Expenditures Below Enrollment Figures

The advantages given to children attending city and town schools in Johnson county over those attending rural school is made evident in a report of the last school year just compiled by Superintendent of Schools, W. N. Leeper.

The enrollment in the rural schools for this county last year was 2,342, and for towns and cities, 2,223, a ratio of nearly two to one, but the expenditure of the \$509,000 allowed for the schools of the county for next year is not divided in the same ratio. The sum of \$163,000 will be expended for rural schools, less than one-half the amount used for towns and cities. The rural school buildings are evaluated at \$160,000, while the city and town schools are worth just a little less than a million dollars, making the town structures worth six times those in the country.

Rural Salaries Low

The teachers of the rural schools are paid on a lower scale. The average salary for rural teachers is, for men \$151, and for women, \$82. The men teachers in city schools are paid an average salary of \$240 and women, \$143. This is partly to be explained, however, by the fact that nearly all of the high schools come under the town and city class. There are 146 schools outside of the towns and 12 within the towns.

An interesting section of the report gives the total amount expended for salaries as \$300,000, \$115,000 of this amount pays 146 rural school teachers and \$185,000 pays 108 town teachers. \$56,000 is paid to the 35 men teachers in the county, and \$238,000 to the 234 women instructors, making the average men's salary \$240 per month in town compared to the \$143 paid to women, and \$151 in the rural districts compared to the \$82 per month to the women. The average for the whole county is: all men teachers, \$190 and all women teachers, \$108.

Library Law Functions

The new library law which requires that the county spend \$1,200 on books for the libraries will allow \$500 for the rural schools and \$700 for those in the cities.

This is the second year that the library law has been in effect. According to Mr. Leeper the libraries, especially those in the rural schools, which have been practically unusable in the past, are fast growing to a point where they have upon the shelves the latest and most attractive books. More money than is being allowed by the county is being spent in nearly every case on the libraries. In Solon last year the amount allowed by the fund was only \$40 but they spent about \$200 besides.

The total enrollment of the county schools is 5,575. Last year 212 graduated from high school and 297 from eighth grade. There are ten high schools in this county.



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