Find Widow, 80, **Burned to Death** in Mystery Fire Communications coming to the Midwestern Branch Office read:

in Basement of Home-Inquest Ordered

Red Oak, Ia., Jan. 14.-Mrs. M. E. Runnels, 80, wealthy widow, was found burned to death in the basement of her home by firemen at 7:10 o'clock tonight. She had lived alone in the house for many years. Origin of the blaze is unknown.

When firemen arrived, called by basement was in flames. Search was begun immediately in the house for the aged woman.

After hunting on the upper floors firemen entered the basement. Groping through smoke and flame. Neal Frank found the charred body between the furnace and a basement

Neighbors are unable to account for the woman's presence in the basement. It had been understood she was too feeble to descend the steps. Mrs. John Wilbur, who had been employed to help Mrs. Runnels with her housework, had taken care of the furnace and gone home about

No explosion was heard by neighbors. The furnace door was shut. The basement floor is of cement, and the blaze was checked before it spread

to the first floor. Mrs. Runnels had lived for more than 60 years in Montgomery county. The old home, built in 1885 four miles west of the city, is a showplace of the district. Her husband was reputed to have made a fortune in stock feeding and sale of farm lands. Since his death several years ago, she had declined to have anyone live with her.

Money, jewels and papers, kept by Mrs. Runnels in secret places in the house, had not been disturbed. Neighbors and Mrs. Alice Rockwell, a distant relative, said tonight that Mrs. Runnels had complained recently of feeling ill, and of "not knowing any reason for life."

Sharp Earthquake Rocks

Minutes; Streets in Confusion; Woman Is Killed.

death and four injuries tonight, at and are now requiring aid. the same time starting fires in two parts of the city, cracking buildings and throwing inhabitants into panic. woman was killed by a falling wall while four persons were injured by falling objects in houses. the principal shock.

Lights Go Out. Electric lights went out, power

they began to heave, was pathetic. tor. Despite a downpour of rain, with

. Increasing their alarm was a peculiar yellow light which, pierced were cut with camera clearness in by streaks of lightning, was visible sharp phrases from Dalsy's confesin the sky at the time of the main sion shock and continued for an hour. The shocks followed three days of Bow's watch being lost at the beach unusual cold

Swimming Pool Emptied. ing (a sort of sports arena), the and sent a \$750 check. quake caught a pool full of swimmers. Water from the pool was heaved into the streets and the swimmers ran from the building in wet bathing suits in below freezing weather.

left. While they last, 50c each.

-World-Herald

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PUBLIC INFORMATION BULLETIN

The following is for public information purposes in connection with your presentation of the appeal for your chapter's quora: Communications coming to the

"Local chapter is operating in 102 school districts through nine local Discover Body of Red Oak Woman committees. Families are in destitute condition. It is estimated that local aid has been extended to 1200 families"; "2500 families need assistance; \$7000 needed-urgent. Snowstorm is making conditions worse"; "Conditions critical. Men, women, children, and live stock are sufferresources are exhausted. Answer"; 'Total number of families given ora neighbor who saw smoke pouring was 500. Applications in the mail from basement windows, the entire from outlying townships will bring his neck. the total to over 600 with no abatement of applications. The number tion, and the condition of people is

> were received at the Midwestern Branch Office of the American Red Cross here yesterday, indicating a quick response on the part of the public and local Red Cross chapters in meeting quotas of the \$10,000,-000 fund. The following wire from a spirit in which the appeal is being received: "Although we had thought with his wife's nephew, Martin our county would do well to come through the winter without outside assistance, we realize the desperate within about ten blocks of the hossituation in other places and will do our best to raise quota assigned." Twenty-seven chapters have already reported reaching their quotas, totaling all together \$52,975.00 The Midwestern Area quota of the \$10,-000,000 is \$2,940,000. Cass county is \$400.00.

Wires, letters, and other reports eceived from the scene graphically disclosed conditions. A Red Cross field representative reported, regarding an Oklahoma county where the local Red Cross chapter is feeding 200 families. "Things are deplorable here; it is nothing to see men crying like children, none complaining, River View cemetery. because of the fear and hysteria of I was in town. There were about 150 | Hoover, pioneer of Cass county. farmers in: they all came in wagons Mexico City. Jan. 14.—The sharpest earthquake felt in Mexico City

to God to send us down food—we stay old at the time of his death.

Will get by until then.'" These are examples of families whose resources two children, Lee Hoover, ten years

Los Angeles, Jan. 14.—Clara Bow the "it" girl of the movies, was de-The shock began at 7.48 p. m. and scribed as "being drunk, very, very for two minutes shook buildings with drunk," in an asserted confession of a rolling motion. Minor quakes con- Daisy DeVoe, discharged secretary tinued for some five minutes after to the film actress, real here Wednesday in the latter's trial for grand theft.

The DeVoe statement also told lines were broken and telephone ser- how Daisy destroyed love letters vice was interrupted for some time. written the actress by Harry Rich-The flight of the inhabitants, who man, an actor; Dr. Earl Pierson of dale

Testimony in the case in which vivid flashes of lightning adding to Miss DeVoe is charged with theft their consternation, they ran to the of \$16,000 from her employer, conivities of the "it" girl.

Intimate bits of Clara's doings

Miss DeVoe then told of Miss and of a search which included sifting of the beach sands. The insur-At the new Fronton Mexico build- ance company was notified, she said,

CEDAR CREST STUDY MEETS

The Cedar Crest Study club met Just a few of the Cass county maps and other Christmas carols. Mrs. Luke 1, 20 verses, which was in business session was then held.

The lesson on "Spending the Home-Mrs. Perry Nickels.

WOULD MAKE LINDBERGH

St. Paul, Minn., Jan. 14.-A proposal to create a state park on the iomestead where Charles A. Lindbergh lived as a youth and where he first felt the urge to fly, will be introduced in the state senate tomor-Just came in, 100 chairs, 50c to row by Senator Chris Rosemeier,

BEFORE FAIRBURY C. OF C

Fairbury, Jan. 14.—Ray E. Turner of Kearney, president of the Nebraska Good Roads association, Tuesday addressed the chamber of com- al committee, said Friday exhaustive merce on "Good Roads of Nebraska."

Mrs. Arthur Schroeder of Omaha possible channels of the investigation is here to enjoy the week end here visiting at the home of her parents. Will be two months before a concrete Mr. and Mrs. George Barr.

Death of Lee La Tour Shock

-Suffering from Carbuncle on His Neck

The death of Lee LaTour last Friday came as a great shock to the citizens of Louisville and to the many ing for want of food and feed. Local friends of the family who had not learned of his illness. His death oc-curred as he was being taken to St. ders for food up to close of today Joseph's hospital in Omaha for treatment for a carbuncle on the back of

Mr. LaTour was employed at the cement plant and had always enjoyof applicants is beyond our expecta- ed good health. On Tuesday of last week he complained of a boil that seemed to be coming on his neck. He Quantities of wires and letters felt ill but was able to work. The second day he did not feel able to report for work and his wife ministered to him with different home remedies nad was constant in her third day, they called a physician. Hoover and his brother-in-law, Fred Masters. He died when they were

> The news reached town soon thereafter and it was a great shock to his wife and family and also to his fellow employees and friends.

The funeral occurred Sunday from The services were in charge of the some beautiful numbers. pastor, Rev. Robert D. Murphree. The church choir sang several selections. The pall bearers were fellow ent as guest of honor of his grandworkmen and were Fred Holland, William Baker, Frank McConnell, Thomas Schmader. Interment was in sent, the little six-months-old daugh-

food instead of asking for it. Cold by the Omaha Printing company. He Thimgahn is now 85 years old and Miss De Hart. weather is complicating matters." was married October 11, 1919, at lis blessed with good health, which homa wrote, "It was Saturday when youngest daughter of the late J. M. friends in this vicinity.

-very few own automobiles. They to Louisville and secured employ- Marie Bohlsen and family, and sonare a very different type of farmer ment at the cement plant. Their in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. down here. I was asked to interview home is the former farm home of L. H. Heil, Mr. and Mrs. H. Krenke, a few whom it was known were near starvation. One old man seventy-five years old, very emaciated, stated reluctantly that he wanted to buy food and intented by a loving cup to contain this factor. But for the factor of the present emergency."

Mrs. LaTour's father, which was be-family. But for special work abroad. The family for the father, which was be-family. But for special work abroad. The family for the father, which was be-family. But for special work abroad. The family for the family for the father, which was be-family for the family for the f Buildings Are Shaken for Over Two pay it back. Another hesitated but community goes out to the sorrowfinally said. 'I'm about on my last, ing widow and two children. Mr. but my woman and me are praying LaTour was 43 years, 5 months and

for 19 years caused at least one have carried them up to this point old and Helen Marie, aged six years. Also by his mother, Mrs. George L Gibbons, of Meridan, Mississippi. A CONFESSES SHE ROBBED CLARA Orpheum circuit and her address is unknown.-Louisville Courier.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Juergen Schroeder, well known and loved resident of the Cedar Creek community passed to the last reward on Sunday, January 11th at the age of seventy years nine months and sixteen days. The funeral services were held at the Glenchurch on Tuesday January ran out of their homes in terror as Dallas and Gary Cooper, also an ac- 13th, the services being held by the Rev. A. Lentz, pastor of the Eight Mile Grove Lutheran church. The services were very largely attended and the pastor gave words of comstreets and prayed for divine protec- tinued to center about alleged ac- fort to the bereaved family on the passing of this splendid lady whose presence will be so greatly missed. During the service the choir of the church gave two numbers requested by the family, "Whispering Hope" and "Wonderful Peace." The interment was at the Glendale cemetery near the church and the pall bearers were selected from the old friends, they being S. J. Reams, Jarl Olson, William Lohnes, George Lohnes, James Johnson and John True.

Marie Dorothy Berthelsen, daughter of Hans and Christine Berthelsen, was born on March 25, 1860, at Hardesleben, Schleswig - Holstein, December 18th, at the home of Mrs. Germany, where she was baptised and Jarvis Lancaster. The meeting was confirmed into the Lutheran church. opened by singing "Joy to the World" She emigrated to the United States on September 28, 1882, following Jarvis Lancaster head Matthew 2, 11, the summons of her financee, Juerkeeping with Christmas. A short to this country the year previously. Tney were married at Sheffield, Iowa, October 17, 1883, and continued to makers Hours' was then presented make their home in Iowa until comby Mrs. Chas. Keil It proved to be ing to Omaha, Nebraska, in 1891, very interesting. At the close of the and lived there and at Bellevue. meeting a delicious lunchon was Later Mr. Schroeder and family movserved by the hostess. We adjourned to meet again Jan. 22 at the home of where he had purchased a farm and here they resided until a few years ago when they moved into the town

of Cedar Creek to spend their declin-HOME A STATE PARK ing years.
Their marriage was blessed with seven children, four of whom with the father remain to mourn the loss of the wife and mother, they being Peter Schroeder, Omaha: Hans Schroeder, Cullom; Mrs. Mary True and George Schroeder of Cedar Creek. Those who preceded her were an infant and two daughters, Annie Schoeder and Mrs. Christine Keil. There is left of the family circle besides the husband and children, ten grand-

PLAN TO REFINANCE PARTY

Palm Beach, Fla.-Chairman John . Raskob, of the democratic nationresearch was being conducted by com-New county commissioners were mittee members seeking a refinancing plan for the party's political cam-paigns. He declined to comment on

YOUNG LAD POORLY

Wallace Terryberry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Terryberry, is confined to his home as the result of an illness of several days duration. The to Community young man was operated on for the removal of his tonsils and following this had a severe hemorrhage and which greatly weakened him and with other complications has kept him in bed the greater part of the time. It is thought that the young lad, is doing very nicely now and may soon be on the highway to re-

Happy Family Gathering at the Gaebel Home The various members of the Union were called upon to give short re-

Large Number of Relatives Gather Around Festive Board Sunday -Remain Until Evening

About thirty-five relatives gathered at the hospitable farm home of Victory Day Message"; Mrs. C. O. care of him. When he was worse the Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gaebel, south of Troy, "Wets Arguments All Fallatown last Sunday to spend the day cious"; Mrs. Jessie Hall, "Teach the By the fourth day, the doctor advised in visiting together and to enjoy the Young"; Mrs. R. H. Anderson, "Why Missouri chapter is evidence of the taking him to the hospital and he sumptuous dinner and supper served I Observe the Law"; Mrs. Etta Barhad started for St. Joseph's hospital by Mrs. Gaebel, who was assisted in ker, "Citizens Co-Operation"; Mrs. entertaining her guests by her daughter, Miss Lenora.

The boys and young men of the party spent some time in exercising heard in a very interesting discus-and in getting up a big appetite by sion of the prohibition question. and in getting up a big appetite by playing football, the weather being perfect for outdoor sports and the others visited together, taking kodak pictures of the different groups, Mrs. ing the various phases and the meth-H. J. Krenke, an accomplished mu- ods used in its enforcement in the the M. E. church attended by a sician, of Omaha, was among the large number of relatives and friends. guests and delighted them with

August Thimgahn, of Omaha, former Cass county pioneer, was presdaughter, Mrs. Gaebel, and had his picture taken with ten of his great-Walter Olson, Clarence Busche and grandchildren, only one being ab-

Others from Omaha were his Three years ago Mr. LaTour came daughters, Miss Pauline and Mrs. Elsie Kupke, all of Murdock, Miss Etta Gaebel, of Louisville, and Arlie Ragoss of College Hill.-Louisville Courier.

RED CROSS CALL

sister, Mrs. Maude Mueller, is on the to rush to the aid of the suffering common consent that the first stone wheat in the drought states. Call comes mendous jobs. Cass county is ask- that was not a woman in all the orcall to help our neighbors in distress. Give now to your local chair- en came by looked at the place where man who will send at once to the the altar should stand; looked at send direct to her. But send.

We will rally to relieve them lend a helping hand. To the Red Cross send your offering, O hear the needy us all get together and at an apcry. We are cold and weak and pointed time we will all push and starving. Help us quickly e'er we put the stone into place.' So at the die."-(Mr. Vandal).

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W. C.T. U. Holds 11th Annivers'y Jubilee Program §

Fine Program Marks the Eleventh Anniversary of the Enactment of Prohibition Law

From Saturday's Dally-Yesterday afternoon the members of the W. C. T. U. held a very fine observance of the eleventh anniversary of the enactment of the prohibition amendment, the meeting being held at the home of Mrs. E. H. Wescott on high school hill.

views of the various phases of the prohibition law and the work of its enforcement and general observance, Mrs. W. L. Propst, giving "A Fallacious Theory,,; Mrs. E. A. Oldham, "The More Beer the More Whisky"; Mrs. F. G. Coryell, "Less Drinking"; Mrs. W. W. Wasley, "Mrs. Boole's R. B. Hayes, "John Barleycorn Is Dead Ten Years, No One Mourns." Miss Elizabeth Spangler was also

The main address of the afternoon was by Judge A. H. Duxbury who discussed the prohibition law, reviewdifferent sections of the country and his observations of how more effective methods could be devised. Mrs. Robert Hayes was leader in

a very delightful vocal number, "Enforcement Not Repeal."

MISSIONARY MEETING

ter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bohlsen, M. E. Woman's Foreign Missionary laid before the house Saturday by On Thursday afternoon, the di-Mr. LaTour was born at Jackson- of 4324 Hickory street, Omaha, this society met with the vice president, Representative Burtness. The North rectors held their first regular meetthe moment. They ask for any kind ville, Kentucky, August 4, 1887. For family being the only one absent, Miss Mapes, last week, owing to ill- Dakota republican, who introduced ing at the bank. Their principal of work in order that they may buy more than 20 years he was employed thus breaking the family circle. Mr. ness at the home of the president, such a proposal on the suggestion of business was the action upon the res-

> the regular text for devotions. The the situation." altar represents the society's goal altar of service unto their Lord. distress." This altar was to be made of twelve stones, each representing some ser- barley, oats, bran, mixed feeds, twelve stones were hewn and as-The telegraph, the telephone and tar was to stand. Now these stones ment can be made for an embargo on the radio broadcasts over our land had been decided upon with the feed grains, including beans, as on should be placed before or by Dethru your American Red Cross,, the cember 15th. This first stone was agency for taking care of such tre- large, of truth it was of such size ficient to lift it. One by one the womcounty treasurer, Mrs. Henry Tool, the first huge stone and sorrowfuly Murdock, Nebraska, or you may went away, and Dec. 15 drew nearer. Then one day a group of women "There's a long long trail of suf- walking along the way, halted befering thruout our own native land. fore the stone, 'Come now' said one appointed time all came, all pushed together and they moved the stone of (early payment of dues) into place. Then there was great rejoicing and they resolved that work-

other stones. Thus the local society has already placed six stones. Then the lesson was given from he second chapter of the text, "A Cloud of Witnesses" by Mrs. Frank Barkus, as outlined under "Geometrical Progressions" in the "Woman's Friend, which reviewed the five colleges that are especially being strengthened this year and present-

ed the new College Abroad Circles

being formed amoung college students of this country. Business session showed a nice profit from the Christmas sale of zorlogs, which applies on apportionment, also the announcement that Dr. Lydia Schawm, once a doctor in China, would be on the Omaha district Feb. 15 to March 1st, and would be with the local society for the evening of March 1st for a thank offering address, preceded by a short demonstration by the Standard Bearers. This will be an interesting meeting and the public is invited.

CALLED TO FEDERAL COURT

From Saturday's Dally-

This afternoon C. D. Palmer departed for St. Louis where he was called in the case of the United States of America against L. W. Griffin, a charge of tampering with the U. S. mails. John Rhodes, foreman of the local Burlington car shops will also go to St. Louis Sunday as a witness in the case. Mr. Palmer, a worker in the local shops discovered a number of articles that had been taken from the mails and which had been placed in a baggage car used for mail storage, he reporting the matter to Mr. Rhodes and the information being placed in the hands of the postal authorities with the result of the indictment of Mr. Griffin. The Plattsmouth men were called to identify the articles and also to tesify as to the finding of them.

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wheat, feed grains and butter to lows: W. G. James, F. H. McCarthy, 'protect the farmer against the pres- Wm. A. Ost, W. B. Banning and D. The regular January meeting of ent worldwide depression" will be Ray Frans. Legge, made public Friday a letter in ignation of Clifton B. Smith, assist-Miss Mapes presided and opened which the farm board chairman ap- ant cashier, and the election of bank the meeting with devotionals, "Thru proved his bill "as affording perhaps officers for the next year. Mr. Temple Doors to the Altar," from the quickest method of dealing with Smith's resignation was accepted,

"However, it is immaterial to us for the present year and contains just how this result is arrived at, to do, and the officers were chosen twelve stones to be put in place, sur- but present conditions certainly jus- as follows: W. G. James, president; mounted by a loving cup to contain tify action on the part of congress F. H. McCarthy, vice president; W. that the members of the W. F. M. S. legislation as will protect the Ameripurposed in their hearts to erect an can producer during this period of Burtness' bill includes wheat, corn

vice unto the Lord most high. The screenings and all products therefrom, butter and butter substitutes. sembled near the spot where the al- Legge said just as strong an argu-"So far there has been no improve-

ment in world prices," Legge said, adding that "many students of the situation seem to think that there ed to send \$400. Let us rally to the ganization whose strength was suf- is a probability that they will go Burtness argued that relief can-

tariff provisions because "it takes from two to four years," and there "is no assurance that the facts disclosed would warrant increases rather than decreases.'

Simpson Resumes Attack. Des Moines-The farm marketing act, which set up the federal farm board, was the "meanest treachery ever thrust upon the farmers of America," John A. Simpson of Oklahoma City, president of the national Farmers' union, told the Iowa union here Friday. Simpson unloosed a broadside against the farm board, ing together they would place the centering his attock upon Chairman Legge and the International Harvester company, which Legge headed at the time of his appointment to the board.

"Legge's whole life has been connected with the gambling way of doing things," Simpson declared, "They might as well have named the president of the Chicago board of trade as chairman of the farm board." The farm marketing act was sponsored by no farm organization, he declared. adding that no one of them was aware of its provisions until it had been introduced and incorporated in the congressional record.

President Hoover was blamed for agricultural ills by William Hirth of Columbia, Mo., president of the Missouri Farmers association. The con-

tinued opposition of Coolidge and Hoover to the equalization fee principal in the McNary-Haugen bill finally forced the establishment of the federal farm board, he said. State Journal.

UNION BANK ELECTS

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Union was held at the bank building on Wednesday. In addition to hearing the yearly reports and discussing the questions pertinent to the busi-Washington-Chairman Legge's ness for the year, the directors for approval of a temporary embargo on the coming year were elected as fol-

leaving him free to engage in the in-

Garden County News: Have you noticed that Morrill is not in Morrill county, that Kearney is in Buffalo county instead of Kearney county, that Grant is in Perkins county. altho there is a county by the same name? Even Lincoln is in Lancaster county instead of in Lincoln county. and North Platte is in Lincoln county and not in Platte. There's a Dawson county but Dawson town is in Richardson county. There's a Thayer town but it is in York county and not in the county by the same name. Valley is close to Omaha in Douglas county instead of being cennot be expected from the flexible trally located in Valley county. Blaine is in Adams, Banner in Cherry, Keith in Lincoln, Douglas in Otoe, Garfield in Lincoln, Hamilton and Harlan are both in Cherry, Johnson is in Nemaha, Nelson in Nuckols, Platte is in Butler, and Webster is in Dodge county, altho everyone had a county by the same name in the state. There's a lot of funny things, aren't there?

NOTICE AUTO OWNERS

The thirty days of grace allowed for auto owners to secure their new 1931 auto license plates will expire on February first. It will be necessary after that date to check up those who do not have the proper license numbers on cars and trucks. It is urged that all see that they secure their licenses and avoid unnecessary trouble.

BERT REED.

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