

Death of W. F. Ackerman at Burlington, Ia.

One of the Veteran Employees of the Burlington Railroad—Started Career at Local Shops.

William F. Ackerman, 64, a prominent and well known figure in Burlington railroad circles of the greater part of his lifetime, died Thursday at an hospital at Burlington, Iowa, after an illness of two months.

Mr. Ackerman has been the superintendent for the past several years, of the west Burlington locomotive shop, going there from Havelock where he was superintendent of the shops there for a period of approximately twenty-five years.

Mr. Ackerman started his railroad career at Plattsmouth where he was apprenticed in the local car shops and continued his work here until in 1890 when he was sent to the locomotive and machine shops at Havelock, just then being placed in operation.

Mr. Ackerman was one of the valued employees of the railroad company and was designated as shop foreman eventually and had continued in that capacity. With the transfer of the locomotive work to Denver and West Burlington he was sent to the Iowa city to serve in his old capacity as shop head.

While a resident here Mr. Ackerman was married to a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Stelmker, who preceded him in death a great many years ago, he later remarried and is survived by the widow and two children, William, Jr., of Bridgeport, Nebraska and Mrs. Eleanor Lee of New York City. One brother, Edward Ackerman of Wyoming also survives his passing.

The funeral services will be held on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at the First Methodist church at Havelock, Rev. F. M. Drullner, officiating. The interment will be at Wyuka cemetery at Lincoln.

NORMAL TRAINING PICNIC

The members of the Junior Normal Training class of P. H. S. were delightfully surprised on Thursday when the members of the Senior Normal Training class invited them to go on a picnic with them. The Normal Training instructor, Miss Staats, went along with them.

They left immediately after school in cars for Fred Siemoneit's farm, which is located nine and a half miles west of town.

The evening was spent in taking pictures and roasting weiners. Other refreshments followed.

Those attending were Miss Staats, Mildred Cacy, Lois Meade, Geraldine Sudduth, Alice Wiles, Wilma Vernon, Martha Kaffenberger, Lucille Meisinger, Virginia Leesley, Ruby Sutton, Dorothy Semoneit, Elizabeth Wiles and Juanita Welshmer.

—Reporter.

PLEADS NOT GUILTY

Earl Henry, of Lincoln, was arraigned on Wednesday in the county court on a charge of breaking and entering the store of J. H. Rugha, of Avoca, taking therefrom merchandise to the amount of \$70. Mr. Henry was taken in custody several days ago at Lincoln and was turned over to Sheriff Sylvester to face charges in connection with the Avoca robbery.

At the hearing Henry entered a plea of not guilty to the charges preferred by County Attorney W. G. Kleck and the hearing of the case was set for Tuesday, May 22nd. The bond was set at \$1,000 and in failure to supply the same the defendant was remanded to the custody of Sheriff Sylvester.

PREPARING AGAINST FLOOD

The Missouri Pacific railroad company, which has suffered a very heavy loss at different times due to the overflowing of the Pappio creek south of Fort Crook, is taking steps to permanently avoid this trouble.

The company is having the grade of its tracks raised seven feet thru the bottom lands, which will make necessary the raising of the overpass over the creek to the same height and permit the passage of the flood water of the creek, as this will give ample clearance.

A work train is now on the scene and the task of grading up the roadbed is under way.

It is estimated that the work will cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000 and will require some time to complete and place in service.

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Chicago.—The postmen of the skies hereafter will know as "air route No. 1" the midcontinent airway that runs from New York to the Pacific by way of Cleveland, Toledo, Chicago, Omaha, Cheyenne and Salt Lake City. The postoffice department has given that designation to the pioneer coast-to-coast airmail route now flown under a new contract by United Air Lines. The kinks removed, it is the old route of the covered wagon and pony express, the first transcontinental telegraph and railroad lines that meandered from city to city following the contour of the land, the road of least resistance.

MENACE IS SEEN IN NUDISM

Oklahoma City.—The menace of nudism to the laundry business was called to the attention of the Oklahoma Laundry Owners' association by Arch Long, Kansas City, national association director. "Gentlemen, I don't have to prove that nudism is coming," he said. "You can see it with your own eyes. Just look at the women on the street any bright afternoon. And what they wear doesn't come to your laundry. And the ladies are not the only ones. Not many years ago the average weight of men's underwear was about two pounds. Now it is about six ounces."

PURCHASES NEW TRUCK

Phil Hoffman of the Home Dairy, has secured one of the latest type of the V-S three-quarter ton trucks that will be placed in service as a part of the equipment of his plant. The truck is a fine addition to the dairy and Mr. Hoffman states that it will be used in the handling of the milk and farm produce that is a part of the business of the dairy. The truck will make it much more convenient for the handling of the business as it will give them two trucks to carry on the deliveries.

ARGUE STREET CLOSING

Columbus, Neb.—A controversy over closing a block of street in the unincorporated village of Oconee is now up to the county board. S. T. Mueller and thirty-six other persons have petitioned the board to close it; Fred Koch, a merchant, has protested. The trouble started, the board was informed, when Mueller fenced off the street where he owns property on both sides and started a potato patch. A road overseer who tried to reopen and grade it was chased off by a pitchfork.

DISLOCATES A VERTABRA

Fremont, Neb.—Diving in shallow water in a sandpit west of here, Robert Pinneo of McCool Junction, a Midland college freshman, suffered a neck vertebra dislocation.

Unconscious, he lay on the bottom about four minutes before William Beckenhauer of West Point, star football center, dragged him out and revived him. Pinneo, a track and football athlete will be in the hospital about three weeks.

FLYING CADET IS KILLED

San Antonio.—Cadet Preston A. Kennedy, of Middleburg, New York, was killed when his pursuit plane collided with another plane near Castorville, Tex. Cadet J. S. Holtzner, New York City, piloting the second pursuit plane, escaped serious injury by a parachute jump.

GOLD EXPORT TOLD

New York.—The New York federal reserve bank reported the first substantial export of gold from America since devaluation of the dollar on Jan. 31. The shipment amounted to \$1,750,000 and was consigned to England.

DEGREE FOR HULL

South Bend, Ind.—Secretary of State Hull will be awarded an honorary degree of doctor of laws by the University of Notre Dame at the ninety-fifth annual commencement June 3, the Rev. John F. O'Gara, vice president of the university, announced.

TWO ARE DROWNED

Virginia, Minn.—Two men drowned and a third saved himself when their rowboat capsized in Knife lake on the Canadian border. The victims were Eino Aalto, 25, and Walno Havalta, 24, both of Virginia.

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Review Figures in Corn-Hog Reduction Plan

Quotas May Be Ready to Announce the Latter Portion of Next Week.

AAA activities in Nebraska this week centered about the work of the state board of review, which is going over county summary figures in the corn-hog adjustment program and in getting ready to get compliance in the federal wheat program fixed up for contract signers.

With all county summary figures in, the state board headed by A. E. Anderson, state and federal statistician, was busy all week going over corn and hog quotas. Arthur Anderson of the college of agriculture and Henry Bock of David City are the other two members of the board. County quotas may be announced the latter part of next week.

Immediately after each county has received its quota, officials of the local corn-hog control association will begin their final work on getting the contracts into Washington. Adjustments, if any are needed, will be made and contracts offered growers for final signatures.

While the state board is going over county figures, agricultural agents and their office assistants outstate are keeping busy with getting contracts ready for signature so they will lose no time when the final quotas are announced.

In the meantime compliance under the wheat program is rapidly being fixed up. Wheat supervisors have started this work of checking farms this week in some counties. In the western section extension workers from the college of agriculture held training schools this week for these supervisors. Elton Lux, Harry Gould and Ivan D. Wood conducting the schools.

Adams, Clay, Fillmore and Thayer county breeders are to exhibit their best cattle at the Geneva show managed by Frank Flynn, Hebron. County committees:

Adams—Charles Yost and Elmer C. Young, Hastings.

Clay—Alfred Kniss and Ivan Bonekemper, Sutton.

Fillmore—Paul Henry, Geneva; Oscar Theobald and Fred Schultz, Okhava.

Thayer—Frank Flynn and Carl McGovern, Hebron; Dennis Bevington, Gilead.

Don Morton is manager of the Pawnee City district, where dairymen from Gage, Pawnee, Johnson, Nemaha and Richardson counties will exhibit. The committees:

Gage—John Rhodes, Beatrice; Roy Strawn and Ivan Franz, Holmestville.

Pawnee—Burton Bloss, John H. Wolfe and Ivan Messener, all of Pawnee City.

Johnson—J. A. Gaither, Elk Creek.

Nemaha—Lloyd Nichols, Brock.

Richardson—Reuben Ulmer, Dawson and Harry Wyatt, Falls City.

The fifth district show will be held at Kennard with John Hooks, Blair, as manager. Elmer Miller, Kennard, is representing Washington county on the committee, Ted Grau of Bennington, Douglas and John Corbin of Craig, Burt county.

RETURN TO ILLINOIS

Fred Hild, Mrs. Sophia Kirkpatrick and Mrs. Mary Meyers, who were here to attend the funeral service of Mrs. Henry Hora, their sister, which occurred on Wednesday, have returned home. The Illinois visitors while called here on a sad mission had the opportunity of a brief visit with the relatives here, a large number of the members of the Hild family being located in this section of Cass county.

CANDIDATE VISITS IN CITY

From Wednesday's Daily
Fred L. Carstens of Avoca, was in the city today making his returns to County Assessor W. H. Puls for his work as assessor in Weeping Water precinct. Mr. Carstens is one of the well known residents of his section of the county and is also the only candidate so far to file for the office of state senator for the second district composed of Cass, Otoe and Sarpy counties.

GIVE ADDRESSES

Superintendent L. S. Devos of the Plattsmouth schools, was the commencement speaker at the graduating exercises of the Union high school, while Principal R. Foster Patterson served in a similar capacity at Avoca.

The Plattsmouth speakers brought to their audiences two fine messages that served to fittingly climax the fine programs that had been arranged to mark the close of the school year in the two towns.

DECREASE IN UNEMPLOYED

Unemployment in Nebraska decreased about 10,000 last month, William Cotter, federal re-employment statistician, estimated. Cotter said figures indicated there were about 87,000 unemployed in Nebraska at the end of March and about 77,000 at the beginning of this month.

He said both public and private employment continued to absorb men into jobs, with the rapid expansion of the highway program a chief factor in public employment leading the way. There were 5,984 federal placements last month compared with 5,193 in March. Exclusive of agriculture, there were 3,055 private placements last month compared with 2,434 in March.

The record of agricultural placements was down from 3,864 to 2,029, due partly to a slackening of demand for farm laborers and partly to a change in method of keeping records. Farmers on their own land who registered during the winter and then went back to work on their own farms in the spring were listed as placements in March and only as cancellations of registrations last month.

Placements in most lines of private employment were larger in April than in March, showing the following increases: Commercial from 305 to 426, transportation from 243 to 308, domestic and personal services from 309 to 69, private construction from 777 to 956, utilities from 17 to 23, feed and allied businesses from 73 to 12 and hotels and restaurants from 31 to 81. General trade placements were not quite as numerous, 225 being reported in March and 216 in April.

TRIES TO CONSUME SNAKE

Norfolk, Neb.—It's all right for the early bird to get the worm—but the bird should make sure it's a worm. Ed Berg was walking along a street here when he noticed a half grown robin apparently standing on the remains of another robin, deceased. He walked over and picked up the fluttering bird and was surprised to note that the dead robin "came along" altho he hadn't touched it.

A closer examination revealed that the two young robins had attempted to make a meal of a six inch garter snake. The dead robin had begun to swallow the small reptile at the anterior portion and had been choked to death. The other had started at the posterior portion and was near death from strangulation when Berg came to the rescue. Berg performed the necessary operation to save the life of the ambitious bird. The two robins had swallowed until their beaks met at the middle of the snake.

BEET FIELD JOBS ARE FEW

Scottsblud, Neb.—Families of beet growers residing in the Lincoln and Beatrice sections, who have for years spent summers here tending the fields, will find few if any contracts available this year, the employment office here has notified Mrs. Clara C. Clayton, state re-employment director. Mrs. Clayton had telegraphed, asking when the families should come west.

"With an unusually large number of permanent residents unemployed," Mrs. Clayton was notified, "outside workers will find few contracts available. All interests are uniting in an effort to see that every available job is kept for those who must be supported by relief funds next winter unless they work this summer."

ARGENTINA TO ACCEPT PLAN

London.—Argentina's acceptance of the "big four" wheat agreement, which will save the international accord of 1933 from collapse, was considered reasonably certain. The agreement will grant Argentina the right to export about 30,000,000 bushels more wheat this year than previously. In return she must undertake to restrict production next year.

With the negotiations brought apparently to a successful conclusion, it was disclosed for the first time that complete withdrawal of Argentina from membership in the wheat advisory commission and all future international conferences had been narrowly averted.

NEW FLYING BOAT RECORD

Bridgeport, Conn.—Capt. Boris Sergievsky in the S-42, giant flying boat carrying 11,023 pounds, soared to an altitude of 21,800 feet, and claimed a new record. The previous mark was 6,561.60 feet, made by a German plane, in April, 1927. The plane was in the air for 1 hour 38 minutes in the flight that gave the United States its seventh international record.

Plattsmouth 'Enemy Center' in Army Problem

Reserve Officers at Fort Crook Working Out Problem of Defense of Omaha from the South.

Omaha is under attack from the south. The enemy, according to reliable information, was encamped Friday southwest of Plattsmouth. Scouts report the attacking force composed of a division, with cavalry, armored cars, airplanes and observation balloons.

This force will march into Omaha Sunday unless stopped by a reinforced brigade defending the high ground southwest of Fort Crook.

Bridges 'Destroyed'

The defenders have "destroyed" all bridges across the Platte river, but the outlook for holding back the superior attacking force is not bright. Information, believed to be authentic, is to the effect that the commander of the attackers has issued orders for an advance across the Platte at 4:30 a. m. Saturday.

In the face of this situation Omahans were going about their business calmly Friday, but the prospective attack was cause for worry among 200 Nebraska reserve officers assembled at Fort Crook for their annual convention and contact camp.

The officers perspired over maps Friday afternoon in considering the first phase of this problem of military tactics laid before them. Saturday morning they will go into the field for a detailed study of terrain and troop movements involved in the problem.

Autos Used

The field studies will be conducted in automobiles.

The officers were welcomed to the camp Friday by Col. Thomas N. Anderson of Fort Crook. They were entertained with boxing matches Friday night and will have their annual banquet and dance Saturday night.

FIRE AT NEBRASKA CITY

Nebraska City, Neb.—Fire of unknown origin did considerable damage early Thursday to the Fassbender funeral home here, and there was also much damage from smoke and water. Amount of loss hasn't yet been determined.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Fassbender and their infant son were asleep upstairs. Mrs. Fassbender was awakened by smoke in the room, and roused her husband. He turned the light switch but no light came on, so he felt his way across the room and opened the door, to be greeted by dense smoke coming from below. He called the fire department on an extension telephone and Assistant Chief Wilcox rescued the family thru a second story window.

FORTY BODIES RECOVERED

Brussels.—Forty bodies had been recovered from the coal mine at Paturages au Pief which was wrecked by a fire twenty-four hours before. Only five of the forty-eight miners known to have been trapped by the explosion had been found alive. They were in a nearby hospital, where King Leopold visited them, offering words of cheer.

The youthful monarch spent a great part of the day inspecting the rescue operations and consoling the bereaved. Three men are still unaccounted for. Only twelve bodies have been identified. The rest were burned beyond recognition.

GERMAN INQUIRY LAUNCHED

Berlin.—The government ordered a thoro investigation of the wreck of Germany's largest and most modern balloon, which carried two students of the stratosphere to their deaths on Russian soil.

A commission was ordered to go to Moscow, where the bodies of the balloonists, Dr. Hermann Victor Masuch and Martin Schrenk, were ordered taken Monday after the balloon was found a few miles east of the Polish border. The general view was that a defensive oxygen supply caused the mishap.

SCORE DROWNED IN FINLAND

Helsingfors, Finland.—Twenty-one passengers, including three children, drowned as the steamer Louhi sank in Lake Kallveisi within 100 yards of the shore near Kuopio. The entire crew and nineteen passengers were saved. Survivors said the captain swerved the ship suddenly to avoid a rock. The deck cargo shifted, causing a heavy list, and the boat sank within two minutes. Some of the passengers who were lost were trapped in their cabins.

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Wabash News

HERE FROM SEWARD

Warren Richards was a business visitor in Murdock on Wednesday last week.

The Wabash schools, which is an eight grade institution of learning, closed last week and enjoyed a fine picnic at the grounds on Friday afternoon.

William Langhorst was a visitor in Elmwood for the evening last Tuesday, meeting with many of his friends and attending the closing exercises of the Elmwood schools.

William Reuter and family were in Elmwood on Tuesday evening of last week, where they were attending the commencement exercises of the Murdock schools.

A. B. Stromer, of Murdock, was a visitor in Wabash on last Tuesday, coming to make some repairs on the pump of John C. Brown, which has not been working properly.

William Miller was over to Springfield last Sunday, where he was visiting for the day and was also looking after some business matters and while there attended a ball game which was on the boards.

John Woods was a visitor in Lincoln on last Wednesday, driving over in his car and was accompanied by Lester Bothwell, both gentlemen having some business matters to look after for a short time.

John P. Muckenaupt who for a good many years was engaged in business in Murdock, but who has been in the east for the past thirty years, was a visitor for a short time with his old friend, Bert Austin, who also was a resident of Murdock at the time John lived there. These two old cronies enjoyed their visit together very much.

Sherman Hardaway and the family were in Elmwood on last Tuesday evening, where they were attending the commencement exercises of the Elmwood schools. A large class was being graduated there this year, covering a wide scope of territory in all directions from Elmwood, to which pupils had come after finishing their own rural school.

Fred Towle and Frank Marshall were in Syracuse last Wednesday attending a community auction sale which was held there. Mr. Towle took with him a horse which he had auctioned off at the sale and in turn purchased two sows and their litters of pigs which were offered for sale. In the allotment of hogs to be grown, Fred still has a few coming and will procure enough to complete his entire quota, as he believes the price of hogs will be high enough this year to pay for raising them. The sale at Syracuse was attended by a large number of people and bidding was very spirited.

Wabash Boy Gets Scholarship

Harold Richards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Richards, one of the graduates of the Elmwood schools, was awarded one of the scholarships given by the large schools of the state as prizes for the ranking students of the various high schools. The one that came to Harold was a course in the normal schools, and of which he will avail himself. Clarence Reuter, of Wabash, was another of the lads from this section who graduated with the class of 1934 from the Elmwood high school. The other members of the class to be awarded scholarships are Wyley Jahn and a young man by the name of Bliss, of Elmwood.

Memorial at Wabash Cemetery.

Arrangements have been perfected for holding Memorial services at the Wabash cemetery Sunday afternoon, May 27th, at 2:00 o'clock. The Rev. W. A. Taylor of Union, former pastor of the Wabash Baptist church, will speak. Come join in this time honored custom of showing respect for our loved ones gone before.

ESTATE OF CURTIS

Norristown, Pa.—The alie of the personal estate of Cyrus H. K. Curtis, Philadelphia publisher, who died last June, was given as \$18,603.187 in the inventory filed with the register of wills. Most of the estate is represented by stock in publishing organizations. His yacht, Lyndonnia, was placed at \$150,000 and furnishings at his home, "Lyndon," Cheltenham, Pa., were listed at \$50,727.

From Wednesday's Daily
R. F. Norval, one of the well known members of the Nebraska bar, was in the city today from Seward, looking after some matters in the district court and while here enjoyed a visit with County Attorney W. G. Kleck, with whom he served as a member of the constitutional convention of 1920.

Mr. Norval and his brother, former supreme court justice T. L. Norval, crossed the Missouri river at Plattsmouth in 1872, he states, and made their way overland to Seward where they located and have since made their home and attained great prominence and success in the law.

ORGANIZE CLUB

The Eight Mile Grove precinct organized a Boy's and Girl's club on May 17th, the purpose of the club being to keep books for the farm, hogs and other stock and farm crops, for the fathers of the club members.

The leader of the club selected was John B. Kaffenberger, and the officers selected were: Donald Penton, president; George Meisinger, vice-president; Gail Meisinger, secretary and Gerald Meisinger, reporter.

Ten members were taken into the club and a very successful and interesting course of study is anticipated by the members.

BLACK PANTHER PATROL

From Saturday's Daily
Members of the Black Panther patrol of the Legion Scout troop spent last night and today at Camp Wheeler. Incidental work connected with the year-end exams and the closing of school held down the attendance again this week, and only five of the nine boys enrolled in this patrol attended the over-night camp, although two or three others were expected to hike down this morning to spend the day at camp.



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