

Iowa Telephone Operator Gets Bravery Awards

Miss Etta Wilcox, who spread bank robbery alarm, given two medals and \$250.

Miss Etta Wilcox, telephone operator at Williams, Ia., was presented two medals and a check for \$250 Saturday morning by President W. B. T. Belt of the Northwestern Bell Telephone company.

The ceremony took place in Mr. Belt's office, where two dozen officials and operators gathered for the presentation. W. P. Cozad gave a short talk, explaining Miss Wilcox's services. Mr. Belt presented the Theodore Vail bronze medal from the Northwestern Bell company, and then, acting for H. E. Thayer of New York City, added to the silver medal given by the American Telephone and Telegraph company for noteworthy public service and \$250.

Miss Wilcox, smiling and excited, announced that she had already decided to invest the money in A. T. & T. stock. While at her work in the Williams telephone office the night of the robbery, Miss Wilcox was startled by hearing two heavy explosions in the bank. She tried to summon help, but discovered that all the telephone lines were out of service, the robbers having cut the cables. Disregarding all danger, she secured an automobile and drove to Blairburg, a nearby town, where she spread the alarm. Her prompt service made possible the pursuit of the fleeing robbers and rapid restoration of telephone service in Williams.

Railroad Tried Radio in Summer of 1890

Chicago, Jan. 13.—The recent burning of the old Dearborn station here recalls the fact that the clock tower, which suffered particularly from the flames, figured in the beginning of radio development. In the summer of 1890, according to John W. Clarke, assistant chief engineer of the Chicago & Western Indiana railroad, aerials were rigged up from the tower and experiments were performed which while only partly successful convinced the experimenters that wireless messages could be sent.

"Benjamin Thomas was general manager then," said Mr. Clarke. "Permission was obtained for a professor from Notre Dame to string aerials from the tower to the Tribune building. Words were exchanged, but the messages were broken. It was concluded that the aerials were too low and that the noises of Dearborn street interfered."

J. E. Murphy, treasurer of the railroad company, said he remembered that such experiments were conducted from the old tower. Mr. Murphy and Mr. Clarke are among the oldest officials of the road in point of service. Most of the other officials entered the service of the company since 1890 and were therefore unaware of the part played by the Dearborn tower in the early history of wireless invention.

Man Slugged Twice While Sleeping in Hotel Room

E. C. Blanchard, 68, for the past month has been selling papers on the corners of Sixteenth and Cass streets Friday night he was slugged twice in and Fifteenth and Harney streets. A sleeping room in the Clairmont hotel. He was attended by Police Surgeon Rance at central police headquarters.

Blanchard was known to have had some money, but, according to his story, he had either put it in loans or he had bought bonds. He has one loan of \$500 and has a \$600 bond in an Omaha bank. The only money on his person Friday night, was \$20, carried in a small cloth sack.

The thing, who was not seen by the other two inmates of the room, Charles Richler, 64, and Washington Cook, 77, escaped without the money. "The first I knew of it," spoke up Charles, "was when Blanchard started to holler. I woke up and turned on the light and told Joe Walker, the janitor, when he came in, to call the police."

Blanchard says he knows of no enemies.

Girl Who Blamed Negro for Slaying Escort Held

Waco, Tex., Jan. 13.—Texas rangers have charge of Miss Naomi Boucher and her brothers, Horace and Bernard, according to local peace officers, following arrest of the three late yesterday. Complaint was filed by I. A. Skipworth and Ranger Captain R. D. Shumate charging the beauty and her sister with murder in connection with the death of Grady Skipworth, son of L. A. Skipworth, near here November 20.

Skipworth was shot and killed while driving with Miss Boucher in Cameron Park. His body was hurled over a cliff, according to Miss Boucher's previous testimony.

Ivory Clay, a negro, has been held charged with the killing of Skipworth. The girl had told officers, they had reported, that she had been thrown over another precipice by a negro, who, she said, had killed Skipworth.

Owner "Posts" Powder Puff. St. Clairville, O., Jan. 13.—The owner of a powder puff is being sought by Postmaster Richard S. Ryan here. Someone, accidentally, it is believed, dropped the puff into the mail chute at the postoffice.

Ocean Travel

Arrivals. Bremen, Jan. 14.—President Roosevelt, New York. San Francisco, Jan. 14.—Laconia, New York. Hamburg, Jan. 15.—Pennsylvania, San Francisco. Kobe, Jan. 8.—President Cleveland, San Francisco. Glasgow, Jan. 11.—Narenta, San Francisco. Hong Kong, Jan. 11.—Durban Mars, San Francisco. London, Jan. 12.—Astronomer, San Francisco. Departures. Hong Kong, Jan. 11.—Tokohama Mars, San Francisco. New York, Jan. 12.—Mount Carroll, Hamburg. San Francisco, Jan. 12.—Ocean II, New York. Glasgow, Jan. 12.—Glasgow, New York.

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Want Ad Swings Real Estate Deal

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"The Omaha Bee is a very good want ad medium," said C. F. Davis, real estate man, 438 Securities building, who inserted an ad in the Omaha Bee last Sunday and on Thursday closed a deal to trade a new modern home and garage for two South Omaha lots and cash. "I remember another ad I put in the Omaha Bee a few years ago to sell 80 acres of Iowa land. The next day an elderly man walked in to my office and asked to see it. We drove out, he looked it over and bought it for \$25 an acre more than he paid for it."

Speaking of land as a present investment, Mr. Davis mentioned one farm near Malvern, Ia., that sold recently for \$350 an acre. "A tenant on a farm near Pacific Junction, Ia., just recently sold his corn crop, 14,000 bushels, at 64 cents a bushel," he said. "The landlord, W. C. DeLashmuit, got half of it, netting him about \$18 an acre land rent for the year. So you see land is returning good income. Land is beginning to move. It is selling now at fair value. It's on a solid basis and will soon be moving rapidly, I believe."

Iowa Wife Seeks Mate in Omaha

Woman asks stockyards officials' aid in hunt for missing Clarinda Farmer.

Driving her husband's automobile which she found abandoned in a garage in St. Joseph, Mo., Mrs. Bert C. Wilson, 35, Clarinda, Ia., arrived in South Omaha to ask stockyards officials and police to take up the hunt for her missing mate.

"Our little girl cries all the time for her daddy," she said. "He has been missing since September 26. Wilson is about 40. He is a farmer and stock raiser at Clarinda and made many trips to the South Omaha market.

Early the morning of September 28 he started out to drive to Excelsior Springs, Mo., where he expected to recuperate his health. He had a large sum of money with him, according to the wife, who has offered \$500 reward for information leading to a solution of the mystery of his disappearance.

She took up the trail with her brother, Frank Ashworth of Clarinda, but lost it at St. Joseph, where they found the car. She drove the machine herself to Omaha. Her brother is with her. She fears her husband has met with foul play, she told police.

Omaha Woman to Receive Big Bequest from Estate. Mrs. Kate Hughes Howe of Omaha was bequeathed several thousand dollars by Mrs. Mary Howe of Johnston, Pa., who died recently, according to a petition filed for probate in county court.

Mrs. Mary Howe, who left Omaha a number of years ago, left property valued at nearly \$200,000, most of it consisting of rich Pennsylvania lands. She also owned some property in the vicinity of Thirty-seventh and Grover streets.

A priest and several Catholic institutions in Johnston also were left substantial amounts.

Robbery of Iowa Falls Post Office Is Foiled. Cedar Rapids, Ia., Jan. 13.—An attempted robbery from the Iowa Falls (Ia.) postoffice of three packages of first-class and registered mail, containing a currency shipment of several hundred dollars, was frustrated at 1:30 a. m. Friday when three bandits were trapped by W. H. Thompson, town marshal, and Postoffice Inspectors Watson and Moore of Des Moines.

The three under arrest are: Roy Tanner and Roy Smallridge of Iowa Falls, and a man called "Boston," said to have come from Waterloo in an automobile in which the trio planned to escape.

Garage Man Accused of Receiving Stolen Goods. Meyer Katsman, garage man, 4107 South Twenty-fourth street, will face Judge Wappich in South Omaha police court Tuesday morning on charges of receiving stolen property, 10 electric light globes, said to have been stolen from the Nebraska Power company.

Leo Murphy, 2502 Vinton street, and Fure Schell, 3118 South Twenty-second street, are held by police for investigation in connection with the alleged theft.

Mr. Coal User: Weather Forecast for January: 15th to 19th---STORM WAVE 20th to 23rd---COLD PERIOD 23rd to 31st---WINDY AND UNSETTLED You Will Need Coal---Order it in Time Call HA rasy 4450 MATERIAL SUPPLY AND COAL COMPANY 39th and Marcy Omaha, Neb. J. J. Kosobach, Carl Warner, F. J. Kosobach, Peter Lantz

Poisonous Liquor Seized in Raid by Booze Squad

Two stills found in operation at Henry R. Gehring Company plant, Prohibition Agent says.

Two big stills were found in operation redistilling denatured alcohol in the wholesale pharmaceutical house of the Henry R. Gehring company, 1114 Farnam street, by federal agents who made a visit there Friday night shortly after 7. G. S. Rohrer, federal prohibition enforcement officer of Nebraska, said Saturday. Charges of conspiracy to violate the prohibition act were filed Saturday against Mr. Gehring, Rudolph Gerber and H. P. Hanson, United States Attorney Kinsler said.

Injunction Suit Planned. An injunction will also be asked to close up the entire plant which occupies several floors of a large building and does a large business. This would include confiscation of any material or apparatus which could be proved to have been used to manufacture liquor.

Mr. Rohrer and several of his deputies called at the place at 7 Friday night and were met by Mr. Gehring who has an apartment there. He welcomed the delegation and offered full inspection. The stills were found on the third floor. They were five in number and two of them were in operation, getting their heat by steam pipes running from the basement.

Rudolph Gerber, a former liquor man of Omaha, was in charge of the stills, the officer reported. H. P. Hanson was found in the basement tending the furnace.

Agent Strikes Gering. In the course of the tour of the building one of Rohrer's agents struck Gering in the mouth with his hand after some angry words had been passed.

Two of the federal agents were left in charge of the place and Gering and Gerber were allowed to remain there. They were to have been arrested yesterday afternoon. Hanson was taken to the police station Friday night. Gering declared that he was not disregarding the law. He has a permit from Rohrer's office to have five stills to be used in the operation of his business.

Herman Aye, his attorney, said the search was illegal. "I am told that his pharmaceutical permit expired January 1 and had not been renewed," he said. "Federal agents have no right to search a place without a warrant unless the place is run under a permit. We will certainly fight the case and fight it hard."

Poison, Rohrer Says. Mr. Rohrer said the sort of liquor turned out by a still such as he says the ones in the Gering place were carries poison and blindness to those who drink it. "Redistilling of denatured alcohol does not get out nearly all the poison," he said. "It is a horrible concoction."

The federal men reported that they found 1,300 gallons of the denatured alcohol and 25 gallons of stuff that had been distilled. Federal agents are on guard at the plant pending filing of charges and arrest of the men.

Mr. Gering was formerly a druggist in Plattsmouth before coming to Omaha several years ago and establishing the pharmaceutical house which bears his name.

Auto Foot Newest Malady. "Boston, Jan. 13.—"Auto-foot" is the latest of foot troubles. It is due to "stepping on the gas," Dr. Nathaniel Levinton, Boston foot specialist, finds this complaint becoming more and more common.

Speaking on the trouble, Dr. Levinton says that it usually affects the right leg, due to an excessive use of that member in feeding the car. The constant pressure of the ball of the foot on the accelerator causes pain in that part of the foot, followed by numbness of the entire foot and leg. Cramps in the calf muscles usually are associated with this condition.

To overcome the trouble massage the foot and leg. Exercises of the foot and toes should effect a cure, say physicians.

Signals Required. Chief Dempsey, under orders from Police Commissioner Dunn, Saturday morning issued instructions to the entire police department to arrest all drivers of closed automobiles who do not display mechanical signal devices.

Witnesses for Defense Refute Intimacy Charge. Charles City, Ia., Jan. 13.—More than a score of defense witnesses were heard today in the trial of B. P. Kneeskern, charged with the murder of Irene Van Brocklin, who, with her husband, was slain at their cabin home near Decorah in December, 1921. It appears likely that the case will go to the jury early next week.

The defense is seeking to break down the contention of the prosecution that there had been intimacy between Kneeskern and Mrs. Van Brocklin.

Ebert Family Learns Trade. Berlin, Jan. 13.—Analle Ebert, only daughter of the president of the German republic, who is training for the library profession, is at present working on the staff of the Berlin city library.

Fraulein Ebert has just finished her two years of prescribed practical courses—one at the Heidelberg university library, the other at the Charlottenburg free library.

Fritz Ebert, Jr., is a journalist, while a brother is learning to be an optician.

Professional Shopper to Assist Customers



Mrs. Frances Huston of Boston has been put in charge of the mail order and personal service departments of the Burgess-Nash store. Mrs. Huston is experienced in professional shopping. She has served with the Filein store of Boston, Wanamaker store in Philadelphia and the Huston store in Detroit. Mrs. Huston will assist out-of-town customers when they wish to shop by mail or in person at these stores.

Pastor Will Depict Ten Characters in Sermon. On Sunday evening Rev. John L. Barton, pastor of Immanuel Baptist church, will deliver a drama sermon. The subject will be, "The God of Coopers Plains." In this message the pastor will impersonate 10 different characters, and there will be three scenes.

This unique method of preaching is attracting much attention and recently both the Des Moines Register and the Boston Transcript gave Mr. Barton and his messages space.

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Astronomer Sees Eclipse of Venus

Beautiful Sight, Says Father Rigge—Event First in 40 Years.

Rev. William F. Rigge, Creighton university astronomer, was up at 4 yesterday morning.

The venerable student of the stars was gazing from an east window of his room with the eagerness which is the astronomer's when a great celestial event is about to take place. Saturday morning's event was the eclipse of the planet Venus by the moon.

"It was a beautiful sight," Father Rigge said. "The crescent moon rose above the eastern horizon at 4:33. Venus, appearing at almost her greatest brilliancy, slowly drew toward the moon and at 5:08 sharp disappeared behind the lunar edge. And then, at 6:09, the bright planet appeared again from behind the other edge of the moon.

"Clouds were threatening in the sky, but they did not cover the eastern horizon until an hour after the eclipse had been viewed."

Father Rigge rose to see the strange sight, though he has been ill recently. He did not know of anyone else in Omaha who rose in the wee hours to see the eclipse of Venus by the moon, although this is the first time it has happened in more than 40 years.

Cripple Claims Cure

New York, Jan. 13.—A fashionably gown audience of elderly and middle-aged women attended yesterday the first public lecture given by Emile Coue, and enjoyed the experience. Men were in the great minority. Mrs. Andrew Carnegie, Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt and John Barrymore, actor, were there.

The climax of the lecture was a demonstration. Two men and a woman, apparently picked haphazard from the audience, went to the platform and "auto-suggested" themselves into inability to open or close their hands, walk or talk.

Curious ones in the audience got their awaited thrill just before Mr. Coue left the platform when a woman sprang to the rostrum and shouted: "Believe him. He is right. I cured myself after suffering years of torture."

The woman said she had been a cripple, unable to walk until she heard of Coueism and by the practice of auto-suggestion she had cured herself almost entirely. She walked firmly, aided by a cane.

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Hard-Hearted Chicago Judge Banishes Male Flirt From Windy City

Chicago, Jan. 13.—The business of being a he-flirt suffered a decided slump Friday when Claude Wyant, 33, was ordered to get out of Chicago and remain out forever by Judge Schulman.

Wyant had been convicted of annoying Miss Vivian Twining, 19, clerk. He said he came here two years ago from Canton, O., where he practiced law. He admitted Chicago girls were irresistible and that he found it almost impossible to keep from calling Miss Twining over the telephone, or hanging around the store where she works until she came out.

Judge Schulman then hit upon the banishment plan. Wyant agreed to get out of Chicago and never come back and the judge accepted this agreement in lieu of further punishment.

3 Executed by Free State. Dublin, Jan. 13.—(By A. P.)—Three men were executed in Dundalk this morning. It was officially announced by the free state authorities.

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