

Candidacy For Iowa State Senate District #9

Tom B. Hoogestraat D.C., a Parkersburg Chiropractor, has announced that he is seeking the Iowa State Senate seat in the newly created Senate District 9. Tom is running on the Republican ticket in the June 4th primary.

Hoogestraat states, "One of my primary concerns for the citizens and the State of Iowa is to maintain the quality of life and services that we have all come to enjoy. In order to accomplish this, we need to maintain a balanced budget, without tax increases. I feel the state needs to find additional incentives to attract new business, employment and other income generating sources to offset inflation and escalating fixed costs."

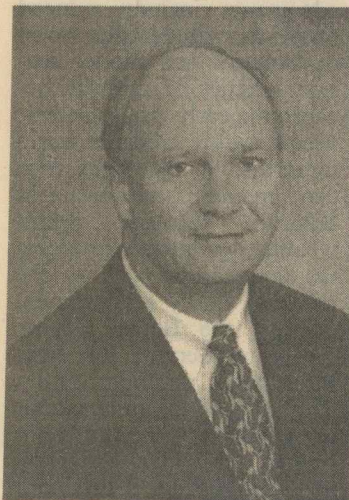
The state educational system is another one of Hoogestraat's concerns. "I believe that our educational system is one of the best in the nation. We need to maintain that status by creating incentives to keep our best educators in education. I also feel the quality of education is directly affected by the infrastructure of our schools, so we need to find ways to build and maintain our school facilities. In order to maintain these institutions without increasing property tax, the state should use the current one-cent option sales

tax, state wide. These funds should then be distributed to the schools based on enrollment."

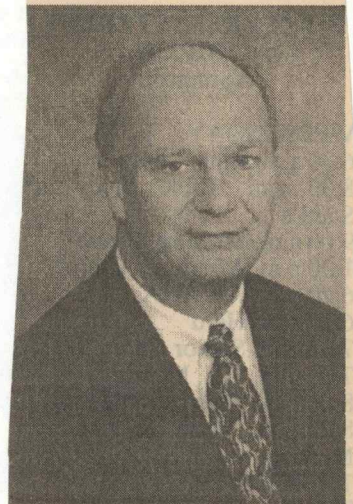
"Environmental waste is another issue I would like to address. In addition to the quality of life we have come to enjoy as Iowa citizens, we have created increased energy cost and additional environmental waste. To reduce these costs, I believe we need to expand our renewable energy sources (wind generation and ethanol production), and expand the "bottle bill" to reduce waste," commented Hoogestraat.

Tom, 53, and his wife, Mary, live in Parkersburg and have four children. They are members of Calvary Baptist Church. Tom graduated from Palmer Jr. College in 1970 and National College of Chiropractic in December of 1973. He has been in practice for 28 years, is a member of the Iowa Chiropractic Society, and has served on its board of directors. He has been active in the community and currently serves as Chairman of the Board of Adjustment. Tom is currently a member of and has served as an officer in the Parkersburg Chamber of Commerce, Parkersburg Rotary Club, Parkersburg Historical Society, Beaver Meadow Golf Club and Friends of Heery Woods Nature Center. Dr. Tom was also named Parkersburg Citizen of the year in 1997.

Senate District 9 is composed of Butler and Bremer Counties and part of Black Hawk and Fayette Counties. The townships in Black Hawk County include Bennington, Lester (not Dunkerton), Mount Vernon, and Washington. Fayette County townships included in this district are Auburn, Banks, Bethel, Center, Clermont, Dover, Eden, Fremont, Harlan, Jefferson, Oran, Union, and Windsor.



Dr. Tom B. Hoogestraat



Information Night

On Thursday, April 18, 2002, Iowa Senate candidate, Tom Hoogestraat will be holding an information night for Parkersburg and New Hartford area residents, at the Parkersburg Civic Center in Parkersburg at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of this meeting is to inform the public about issues he is concerned about on the state and local levels in Iowa. These issues include: State Budget, Education, Environment and Property Tax Relief for the elderly. If you would like to be more informed or would like to help with the campaign please attend this meeting. Come and share your ideas, concerns, and support. Make sure your vote counts for the primary June 4th. "Because Howans Matter".

Chiropractor would focus on education

By **CHARLOTTE EBY**

Courier Staff Writer

PARKERSBURG

Chiropractor Tom Hoogestraat of Parkersburg has announced he will run for an Iowa Senate seat in District 9.

Hoogestraat, a Republican, will face State Rep. Bob Brunkhorst of Waverly in the June 4 Republican primary. No Democrats have filed candidacy papers for the seat.

The district includes all of Bremer and Butler counties, the northern part of Black Hawk County and the northwest part of Fayette County.

It is home to current State Sen. John Jensen, R-Plainfield, who will retire at the end of his term which ends after this legislative session.

Hoogestraat, 53, said the main issue he will focus on during his campaign is education and improving the state's K-12 public schools.

He thinks the way the state funds schools shortchanges rural school districts. The candidate is in favor of a statewide school sales tax, rather than allowing counties to pass their own local option sales taxes.

Hoogestraat said residents from rural counties spend money in other larger counties with local option taxes and end up paying the 1 percent sales tax without it benefiting their own school district.

"I think it would only be fair to disperse that evenly," he said.

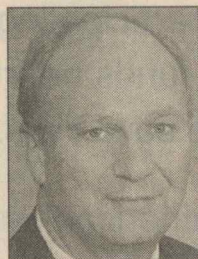
Keeping quality teachers in the state should also be a goal, he said. Raising teacher salaries and helping teachers pay for their continuing education and training would help that effort,

he said.

Hoogestraat sees the regulation of livestock confinement facilities as one of the biggest controversies facing rural Iowa.

He thinks local officials should have more say over where these facilities are located than they would under a livestock bill currently moving through the Legislature.

"My feeling on that is the counties should have more input than what is currently being offered," he said.



Tom Hoogestraat

He thinks the state could push more initiatives to help the environment, including expanding the bottle bill to include more types of beverage containers that can be returned for a 5-cent deposit.

He said the state is not using the full potential of its energy resources, especially wind energy.

"I think we need to look at our renewable resources, like our wind energy, and harvest our energy resources," he said.

Hoogestraat would propose providing tax credits to encourage more renewable energy use.

He also thinks the state should do more to push economic development and attract new businesses and jobs that help generate revenue for the state coffers. He said that is a better option than raising taxes to balance the state's budget and offset escalating state expenses.

State Senator District 9 Race Decided By 17 Votes

In what was expected to be a close race, turned out to be just that for State Senator District 9 in the Republican Primary last Tuesday. At last count Tom Hoogestraat of Parkersburg lost by 17 votes to Bob Brunkhorst of Waverly. Hoogestraat has ten days from the election date to ask for a recount.

Hoogestraat won his home county, Butler, by a wide margin of 1467 votes to 531. Brunkhorst carried his county by a margin of 1,241 votes to 352 votes.

In another contested race for Butler County Board of Supervisors - District 2, John Zimmerman was declared the winner with 364 votes. Other candidates and their totals are: M. Jan Stauffer 224, Jill Behrends 116, Michael Codner 97, David Brinkman 70 and James Doeden 21.

Other county offices on the Republican ballot were not contested. Ken Oldenburger - Supervisor District 3, 65 votes; Louise Squires - Treasurer, 1792 votes; Craig Franken - Recorder, 1703 votes and Greg Lievens - Attorney 1663 votes. See how Butler County voted on page 2 this week.

ISSUES AND CONCERNS

Like you, I enjoy the quality of life we all share living in Iowa. It is my desire to preserve this for future generations of Iowans. In order to do this I feel we need to address the following issues and concerns.

Budget

The state needs to maintain a balanced budget without tax increases. This is difficult to do when inflation and fixed costs continue to escalate annually. However, if new business and employment programs are instituted more revenue would be generated for state needs.

Education

Iowa needs to maintain its quality educational system and infrastructure. To accomplish this we need to re-visit the local option tax and make it fair for all schools and students.

Renewable Energy

I would like to see the state offer more incentives to producers and consumers of renewable energy sources, such as wind generation and ethanol production.

Environment

The current Bottle Bill is helping clean up our environment and roadways in Iowa. This is an improvement all citizens can appreciate. An expansion of this bill would continue to reduce waste, litter and conserve our natural resources.

Property Tax Relief

The state needs to help our senior citizens living on limited and fixed income by providing property tax relief on their homestead.

**If you are concerned about these issues
vote Republican on June 4th.**

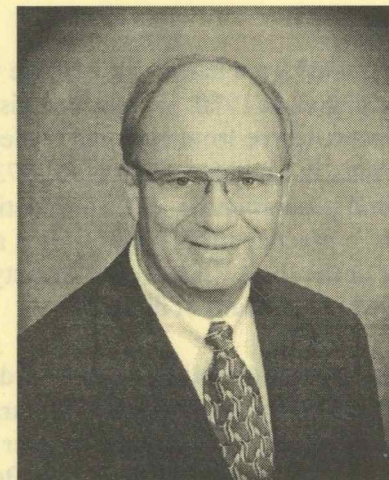
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Republican Candidate

Iowa Senate

District #9



Vote

Hoogestraat

Republican Primary

June 4th

"Because Iowans Matter"

MEET TOM

Tom was born and raised in Parkersburg. Tom and Mary have been married for 32 years. Mary (Hoodjer) was from Allison, Iowa. The family are all members of Calvary Baptist Church.

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Tom's most important concerns are family, friends, and helping people.



Left to right
Front: Mary, Emily, Adam
Back: Joel, Paul, Laci & Tom

Tom and Mary have four adult children. Paul is a research chemist for E.I. Lilly in Indianapolis, Indiana. Dr. Adam is a Chiropractor in Parkersburg. Laci, his wife is an elementary teacher in Greene, Iowa. They are expecting their first child the end of May. Joel is in the U.S. Navy. His rank is 3rd class Nuclear Machinist Mate. Emily is a student at the University of Iowa.

Tom, Mary and family have many interests and hobbies including fishing, hunting, skiing (both down hill and cross country), golfing, running and bicycling.

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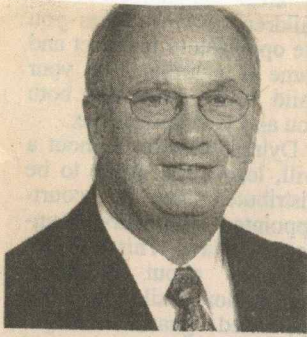
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Hoogestraat To Run For The Iowa Senate

Parkersburg resident Dr. Tom Hoogestraat is running for the Iowa State Senate in District 9. This senate seat is being vacated by Sen. Bob Brunkhorst who is not seeking re-election for a second term after serving 14 years in the State Legislature.

For the last six months Dr. Tom has been visiting with Iowa voters across the district and throughout the state about issues and concerns. He has consulted with Iowa Republican party officials and spent time observing the State Legislature in Des Moines. He has made it official by filing his nomination papers with the Iowa Secretary of State. His name will appear on the Republican primary ballot on June 6, 2006.

Dr. Tom and his wife Mary live in Parkersburg where he has been self employed as a Chiropractor and businessman for over 32 yrs. They have raised four adult children and have two grandchildren. They attend Calvary Baptist Church where they are both actively involved in different capacities of church ministries.

After raising four children and following their educational process Tom feels strongly that the local school systems need to maintain strong local control on educational issues. As State Senator he will work hard to maintain local control.

Tom Hoogestraat is a lifelong resident of Butler county and has practiced Chiropractic in Parkersburg for 32 years. He is a graduate of Palmer Junior College in Davenport and National Chiropractic College in Lombard, Illinois. As a community leader Tom has served as President or held

other positions in offices of the Parkersburg Rotary, Chamber of Commerce, and Historical Society. He has served on the board of directors of the Iowa Chiropractic Society and is currently Chairman of the Parkersburg Board of Adjustment and a member of the Butler County Republican Central Committee.

As a small businessman and health care professional the economy is always a concern. Iowa is starting to show signs of recovery and employment opportunities are slowly increasing across the state. To continue this growth Tom would propose a five year graduated moratorium on Iowa state income tax for first time employees of new start up business, expanded business and for first time teachers and educators. Other issues of concern are health care, tax reform for senior citizens, supporting strong family values, and preserving the environment. Hoogestraat says he will work hard to support alternative fuels and energy resource legislation.

Hoogestraat feels what separates him from the other candidates in the primary and general election is experience. Being self employed, managing a health care business, serving on boards and committees gives him a better understanding of state government, budgets, regulations and how state government should work.

The 9th Senate District includes Butler, Bremer, Most of Fayette and a portion of Black Hawk Counties.

For information on Tom Hoogestraat for Senate campaign or if you would like to help contact <http://www.Hoogie4sen@aol.com/> or call 319 -346 -1917

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April 17, 2002

To Our Patients and Friends

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for allowing us the privilege of providing your Chiropractic care during the past 6 decades in Parkersburg. We feel honored that you continue to choose us as your Chiropractic care provider. Most of you are aware Dr. Adam Hoogestraat joined the practice in the early spring of 2001 making him the third generation of Chiropractors in the Hoogestraat family. We are proud of this heritage and thank each of you for making this possible.

We plan to provide Chiropractic care in Parkersburg to you and your families. We also plan to see new patients and provide the best Chiropractic care possible. However, we wish to inform our patients of some possible changes that may be occurring in the near and long term future.

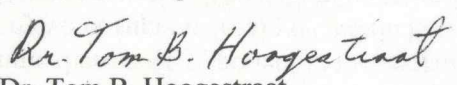
By now many of you may have heard or read in the newspaper that Dr. Tom has decided to seek public office. He is running on the Republican ticket for Iowa State Senate district 9. At this time there is no opponent in the general election, but he will be facing a Primary race in June. So any voter support from you would be appreciated. This new district includes all of Butler and Bremer counties. The following township in Fayette county: Auburn, Banks, Center, Clermont, Dover, Eden, Fremont, Harlan, Jefferson, Oran (not Fairbank), Union and Windsor. Plus four townships in Black Hawk county: Bennington, Lester (not Dunkerton), Mount Vernon, and Washington.

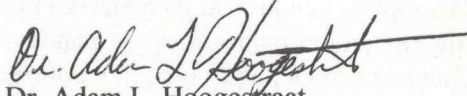
Dr. Tom will be facing a Primary race on June 4, 2002, however he plans to continue to practice Chiropractic as he actively campaigns for office. This may require a shifting of his schedule from time to time to accommodate the short but vigorous campaign schedule required to win a Primary race. Dr. Adam will continue to actively see patients during this time and will be available to meet your Chiropractic needs.

We feel confident Dr. Tom will win the Primary in June and the general election in November, however he still plans to work full time providing Chiropractic care, except when the Iowa Legislature is in session.

We thank you for the trust you place in us for your Chiropractic care and hope to continue to serve you in the future.

Yours in Chiropractic


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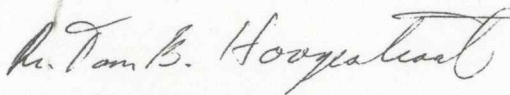
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Dr. Tom B. Hoogestraat

Adam Hoogestraat Earns Doctor Of Chiropractic Degree

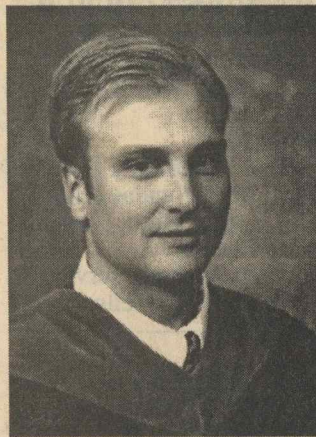
Adam L. Hoogestraat has been awarded the degree of doctor of chiropractic by Logan College of Chiropractic in Chesterfield, Missouri. He and his wife Laci, are residents of Parkersburg. Dr. Hoogestraat is the son of Dr. Tom and Mary Hoogestraat also of Parkersburg.

A third-generation chiropractor, Dr. Hoogestraat has joined Parkersburg Chiropractic Clinic, where he will work with his father.

The younger Dr. Hoogestraat was among 111 graduating students honored at the 133rd commencement of Logan College, held recently at the Scottish Rite Cathedral in St. Louis. Dr. Hoogestraat previously received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls.

At Logan College of Chiropractic, Dr. Hoogestraat completed a curriculum encompassing basic and clinical (diagnostic) sciences, chiropractic science, research and patient care. To receive the doctor of chiropractic degree, he completed 10 trimesters (the equivalent of five two-semester academic years) of study. Most Logan students are enrolled almost year-round, completing three trimesters per calendar year.

Established in 1935 and



Dr. Adam Hoogestraat located on a 112-acre campus in the St. Louis suburb of Chesterfield, Logan College has students representing most states and several foreign countries.

e, Wed., June 12, 2002

Hello World

Adam and Laci Hoogestraat of Parkersburg would like to announce the birth of their son Isaac Lee. He was born on May 21 at 3:15 a.m. in Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo. He weighed 8 lbs. 3 oz. and was 21 inches long.

Grandparents are Marvin and Rosie Aalderks and Tom and Mary Hoogestraat all of Parkersburg.

Great Grandparents are Kate Aalderks of Kesley and Russ and Hilda Heerts of Parkersburg.

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It is my belief that the local schools should maintain local control over all educational issues and determine what is best for their school and students. I will strive as your elected state senator to promote local control in education.

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I will work towards improving our environment by supporting and proposing legislation for alternative energy sources for transportation, industrial and residential use. To reduce our dependency on foreign energy resources.

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TOM HOOGESTRAAT REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE

IOWA SENATE DISTRICT #9



VOTE HOOGESTRAAT REPUBLICAN PRIMARY

JUNE 6, 2006

"BECAUSE IOWANS MATTER"

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Issues and Concerns

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Economy

Iowa needs to do better when it comes to bringing good paying jobs to the rural areas of this state. As a State Senator, I will work to overhaul our tax system so small businesses will find a friendly environment to grow. More and better jobs means greater opportunity for our younger generations.

Health

Health care is always a big concern in rural Iowa and I would like to see quality health care for all residents at an affordable cost. We need to reduce insurance costs, while still improving the quality of care for all citizens of this great state.

Tax relief

I believe we should provide an increase in tax relief or a tax freeze for senior Citizens and those with fixed incomes on their homesteads.

Local Control

Local control needs to be maintained by our county, city and schools rather than having the state legislate or mandate policy and rules, that might be better left up to local governing bodies.

Vote Republican - Vote Hoogestraat

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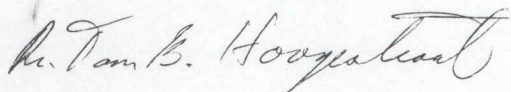
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Dr. Tom B. Hoogestraat

November 7th / 06 Election Results

Democrat Bill Heckroth won the Iowa Senate District 9 Seat with a close victory over Tom Hoogstraat of Parkersburg. Heckroth received 11,837 votes to Hoogstraat's 10,512. Hoogstraat won in Butler County with almost 61% of the votes, 3499 to Heckroth's 2201.

Pat Grassley, Republican, defeated Alek Wipperman for the House District 17 seat by a vote margin of 6,520 to 4,995. Grassley received 63% of the votes cast in Butler County. His vote total was 3618 and Wipperman received 2048 of the Butler County votes.

On the county level incumbents Greg Lievens, county attorney; Craig Franken, county recorder, and Louise Squires, county treasurer were running unopposed. Lievens received 4463 votes, Franken 4528 votes and Squires 4682. Jason Johnson was elected Butler County Sheriff with 4762 votes, their were 113 write in votes for Sheriff.

Ken Oldenburger was re-elected to the Board of Supervisors with 1640 votes and John Zimmerman was re-elected to the Board of Supervisors District 2 with 1408 votes.

Steve Latwesen and Gwen Blanchard were elected to the New Hartford City Council.

Elected as the Beaver Township Trustees were John W. Smith and Steve Koop. Wesley Ballhagen was elected clerk of Beaver Township.

Richard C. Allan and Joe Wallbaum were re-elected as Albion Township Trustees and Byron Aswegan as clerk.

A Heritage Of Healing

by Becky Schipper

It was June of 1938 when the first Dr. Hoogestraat began treating patients in Parkersburg. Dr. M. O. Hoogestraat began the legacy of this family's chiropractic treatment of the members of the community after selling his practice at George, Iowa and moving here.

In May of 1973 his son, Dr. Tom B. Hoogestraat, continued the tradition. Most recently, Dr. Adam Hoogestraat took the opportunity to continue the family tradition, working side by side with his father to treat patients here.

Dr. Adam is not an unfamiliar face in the office, located on the east side of 3rd Street. "Dad gave me the opportunity to work for two years here after graduation from Logan Chiropractic College (St. Louis)."

Following that, he worked in Kentucky for a different clinical experience and then opened his own office in Waterloo (University Chiropractic). He admits that it has 'always been in the back of my head to return to Parkersburg.'

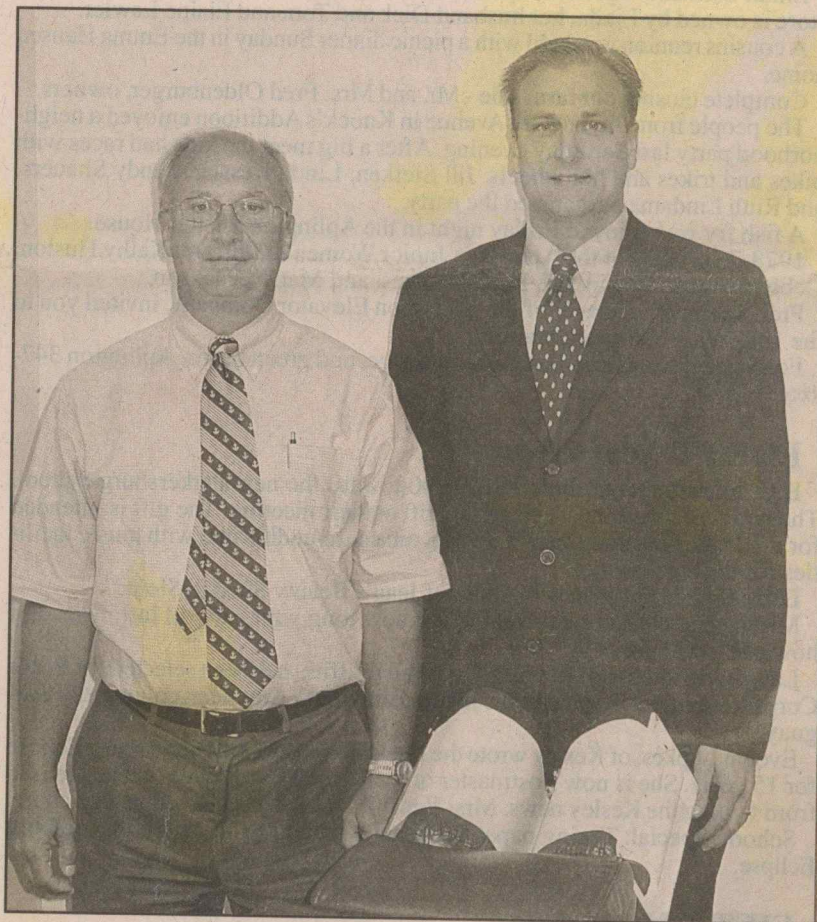
That opportunity to return came earlier this spring when Dr. Tom decided he was ready to have a little more time for himself and his wife, Mary.

"I'm not retiring!" laughed Dr. Tom who will keep his normal full time hours at the clinic. "This is simply the opportunity to begin the transfer of chiropractic care to Dr. Adam."

While Dr. Adam is seeing patients at the Parkersburg office, he is also filling an administrative roll for the clinic. He's also keeping his Waterloo office, expanding to this location to provide more availability to patients.

The clinic provides not only acute care for immediate pain, but also helps the patient to maintain optimum health as well. "I view chiropractic care as restoring the whole person to optimum health and assisting the body to function more effectively,

and Byron Aswegan as clerk.



Dr. Tom Hoogestraat and Dr. Adam Hoogestraat

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both structurally and nutritionally," stated Dr. Adam.

While many patients begin using chiropractors as an entry level into health care, both doctors are pleased that they are able to work hand in hand with the medical community.

"While they are very different methods of treatment, when used together, conditions can be treated more effectively," Dr. Adam noted.

Often the first visit to a chiropractor is for a pain issue. While many people think that you go to a chiropractor over

and over again, that is not usually the case. Once the spine and nervous system are straightened out, patients find the irritation relieved.

Patients range from infants, as young as one hour old, to those 104 years young! The doctors also treat athletes from UNI and A-P.

Infants are often treated for problems caused during the birthing process and for colic. These young patients are also seen for many other problems, including chronic ear infections. Many times seeing a chiropractor can actually stop a child from having to have surgery to fix this problem.

All ages and all caliber of individuals can be helped through a visit to the office. "Emotional stress affects physical tension," explains Dr. Adam. "Simply put, multiple stress can cause pain and tension." He continues, "The heart of chiropractic care is to figure out what the patient needs. That's the fun of the job."

Dr. Tom, who admits, "Having Adam here is what I like to call a 'parental reward!'", is finding himself now treating the fifth generation of patients. "I find it interesting to watch how health issues run in families," he explains. "Often when I see a particular issue, I'll know who they belong to!" he smiles.

He thanks his friends and patients in the community and the surrounding areas for allowing him to be their chiropractor. And, he's looking forward to providing his services for several more years, as he and Dr. Adam team up for the patients.

The clinic is open from Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Saturdays from 7 to 11 a.m. You can reach either Dr. by calling 319-346-2812.

Maple Manor Resident Of The Month



Hilda Hoogestraat Heerts

Hilda Hoogestraat Heerts was born on December 10, 1920, the daughter of Saben Hagen and Jennie Praisner Hagen. She was born in Pleasant Valley Township, Grundy County, during a major winter snow storm. The family moved to Elinor where Hilda started country school. After completing the first grade, the family, which now included two brothers, Bernarr and Andrew and one sister - Avis, moved to Aplington where Hilda completed grades 2-6. In 1932 the family moved to Parkersburg to establish and operate Hagen Hatchery and Poultry. Hilda graduated from Parkersburg High School in 1938.

As a young girl Hilda enjoyed playing tennis and roller skating with her friends, brothers, and sister. They spent many hours enjoying outdoor activities. Throughout her life Hilda continued to enjoy activities in the out of doors, including fishing and golfing, and playing with her grandchildren.

Following high school graduation Hilda took the US Civil Service Exam, but chose to remain in the area than to take a job in Washington, D.C. She attended Iowa State Teacher's College, passing the State Teacher's exam, teaching country school for one year in German Township #4, Grundy

County. Hilda changed careers working with the phone company assisting in the transitioning to the dial system. She then took a position with the Parkersburg State Bank and worked until her marriage to Dr. M.O. Hoogestraat on June 5, 1945.

Doc and Hilda raised four children: Delores Hoogestraat Jungling, deceased; Ronald Hoogestraat, retired, Marion, Iowa; Dr. Vicki Hoogestraat Rueckert, consultant, Fort Collins, Colorado; and Dr. Tom Hoogestraat, chiropractor, Parkersburg. Throughout the years Hilda was involved in a variety of activities. She was a Cub Scout den mother, involved in a variety of activities at Calvary Baptist Church, served as President of the Iowa Chiropractor Women's Auxiliary, and was actively involved in the National Republican Women's Convention in Washington, D.C. Hilda also has been involved in the Parkersburg Historical Society.

Prior to the death of M.O. Hoogestraat in 1975, Hilda and Doc enjoyed flying numerous places in their airplane, Canadian fishing trips, traveling in their camper and spending time in Minnestoa at Lake Pokegama fishing, boating, and relaxing. In 1972 they purchased a second home on Lake Pokegama that the family still enjoys today.

Hilda married Russell Heerts in December 1980. They enjoyed traveling, golfing, fishing and spending time with family and friends. During one of their fishing trips in Florida, Hilda was recognized for her fishing expertise, with a picture and article published in *Field and Stream*. Russell passed away February 2007.

Today Hilda enjoys her children, 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren reading, attending church and participating in the activities at Maple Manor. She has continued to spend some time during the summer at her home on Lake Pokagama, enjoying the beauty of the lake, and being with family and friends. Hilda has been blessed with the love of family and friends.

Hoover First Native Iowan to Presidency

By BETTY STAFFORD

(First of Two Articles)

HERBERT CLARK HOOVER was the 31st president, and the first native Iowan to date, to have been elected to that high office. In fact, he was the first president who was born west of the Mississippi. He served from 1928 to 1932.

Hoover in his early years was not interested in politics. Events pushed him into this path of fame. He already had a career, had won financial success as a mining engineer, and had lived a useful, colorful, and varied life. When he became president, he was supported by millions. They believed him "to be the man required by the times."

He was born Aug. 10, 1874, in West Branch, near Iowa City. His parents were Quakers, as were all his ancestors. His grandfather, Eli, was a farmer and one of the first settlers of West Branch. Both his father, Jesse, and his mother, Huldah, adhered strictly to their faith.

Blacksmith Father

His father was a blacksmith known for his high ideals and strength of character. His mother, who came from Canada, was gracious, gentle, a recorded minister of Society of Friends, always ready to serve, and was willing to associate with the most humble.

Herbert had a younger sister, Mary, and an older brother, Theodore. Their two room home was across the alley from the blacksmith shop.

In 1880 when Herbert was six years old, his father died of typhoid fever. His mother died four years later. The children were left to be reared by relatives.

Near West Branch

Herbert, at first, lived on a farm for a year with his uncle

and aunt, the Allen Hoovers, near West Branch. Then, at the age of eleven, he went to live with his uncle Dr. John H. Minthon, his mother's brother, in Newberg, Oregon.

His uncle had founded the Quaker colony with its own meeting house and Academy which later became Pacific College. Herbert served as chore boy by milking his uncle's cows, feeding his horses, and doing other necessary duties after school hours.

He spent a few years at the Academy and then went to Salem where his uncle opened a land office. Herbert continued to help and met a mining engineer when he was working at a mining property. Through this contact, he made his decision to become a mining engineer.

Wife Formerly of Waterloo

Next he enrolled in Leland Stanford University where he worked his way through and got his degrees in geology and mining engineering in 1895.

It was at Stanford that he met Lou Henry of Monterey, Calif., formerly of Waterloo, who was also studying geology. This common interest led to romance and later marriage.

After graduating from college he couldn't get a job on the mining company staff so he became a day laborer in a mine in Nevada City. In overalls and a jumper he began at the bottom of the mine, persevered and worked his way up. The next year he got a job as an office boy to a great mining engineer and soon got on the staff and traveled through Colorado, New Mexico, and Nevada. Gold was discovered in West Australia and American miners were needed to develop the fields. He was offered a position. Before he went, he was stirred with memories and a longing

to see his old home, so he returned to West Branch.

In Australia he became widely known as a great engineer and acquired wealth.



QUAKER faith of his blacksmith's devoted mother helped to form character of Herbert Hoover in West

Branch. The later hardships of his youth as an orphan added steel to his determination (Courier Drawing by Jack Bender).

Herbert Hoover:

By CHARLES HILLINGER

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WEST BRANCH, IA. — Young New Left historians have a new hero, a man thought of by so many for so long as the epitome of an American conservative — Herbert Hoover.

The latter-day historians have been descending on this small (population 1,500) farm community in ever increasing numbers the past few years to pore over the papers of the 31st president.

"They're reevaluating this long-maligned man. They're gradually building up steam, willing to look at the 1920s and 1930s in a different perspective," reports Robert Woods, 51, assistant director of the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library.

"The new breed of historians have suddenly really picked up on Herbert Hoover."

Several new biographies of Hoover, who was inaugurated as president 50 years ago next month, are indebted for the major part of their material to documents on file here.

"William A. Williams, the godfather of the New Left historians, in his book 'Contours of American History' tells how he came to realize how Hoover has been grossly misrepresented," Woods noted. "Williams gave one of Hoover's speeches to an undergraduate class he taught, not revealing when the speech was made or who delivered it. The students were asked to identify the speaker."

"Most thought it was either Jane Fonda or Bella Abzug."

Joan Hoff Wilson, a University of Arizona history professor, did the bulk of her work here for "Herbert Hoover, Forgotten Progressive."

"Few today are aware Herbert Hoover was the father of the 8-hour day, of the hot school lunch," Woods continued.

As long ago as 1919, Hoover was championing the cause of equal wages for women, establishment of minimum wages, Medicare and Social Security. He was for the breaking up of large family fortunes, the doing away with trusts. "He wasn't the darling of big business that people think he was," Woods continued. "The American Chamber of Commerce supported Roosevelt, not Hoover. He was a close friend of Samuel Gompers and John L. Lewis."

Organized campaign

"The organized campaign against Hoover was like Pavlov's theory of conditioning. No doubt any man president at the time of the Depression would have to take his knocks, but to say Hoover caused the Depression is absurd. Yet his name more

than any other was assaulted throughout the Depression. People who lined up for government handouts of food were described as being in Hoover Breadlines," Woods said.

"Hoover Flags were pockets turned inside out. Newspapers covering sleeping down-and-outers were called Hoover Blankets. Shantytowns were Hoovervilles. It was a Pavlovian conditioning. When the name Hoover is mentioned, people still think Depression."

Thomas T. Thalken, 58, director of the library since 1969, was Hoover's research archivist for six years, 1955-61. He talked of Hoover's foreign policy.

"His foreign policy was simple — that this country should show moral leadership and never get involved in the affairs of other countries."

"Mr. Hoover approved of foreign loans for the increase of capital production, for building up new farms and new factories. But he was violently opposed to all foreign aid for arms and building up of bureaucracy."

"He was an ardent advocate of limited internationalism, insisting Americans cannot be policemen of the world, that if we tried, the country would flounder in the process."

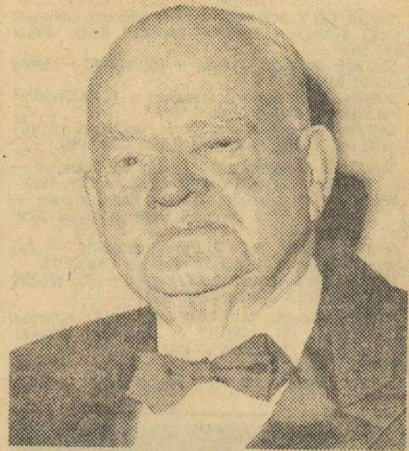
"He said repeatedly one of the biggest mistakes this country could ever make would be involvement in any war on the Asian continent. Mr. Hoover spoke out against entering the Korean War and was one of the first to warn against getting involved in Vietnam. But few were interested in what he had to say."

The \$1.5 million Herbert Hoover Presidential Library and Museum was constructed with funds contributed by friends and admirers of Hoover. It was dedicated on his 88th birthday, Aug. 10, 1962. Two years later it was deeded to the National Archives as the fourth of the nation's presidential libraries.

Papers opened

It wasn't until 1966, two years after Hoover's death and 33 years after he left the presidency, that his papers were opened to researchers. More than 5 million papers are on file at the library, including collections of the papers of 60 other men and women associated with the Hoover years — papers of Cabinet members and administration officials, and papers of several political writers, including controversial columnist James Westbrook Pegler.

Among the 314 taped interviews



Herbert Hoover

from many who knew and worked with Hoover are oral interviews with Presidents Harry S. Truman and Dwight D. Eisenhower and a lengthy interview with Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy, President John F. Kennedy's mother, filled with her reminiscences of the 31st president.

More researchers

Increasing numbers of researchers coming to West Branch are from foreign countries, including a number of Russians. In the Herbert Hoover Museum here is a framed 1923 resolution from the Soviet of Peoples Commissars signed by L. Kamenev, then acting president of the Council of Peoples Commissars, that reads in part:

"The Soviet of Peoples Commissars, in the name of the millions of people saved from death, counts it a duty to express before the whole world its deepest thanks to the American Relief Administration and to its leader Herbert Hoover."

Also displayed in the museum are photographs of his boyhood days in West Branch and in Oregon and at Stanford University, where he was a member of the first graduating class. As financial manager for the Stanford football team, he arranged the first "big game" between Stanford and the University of California.

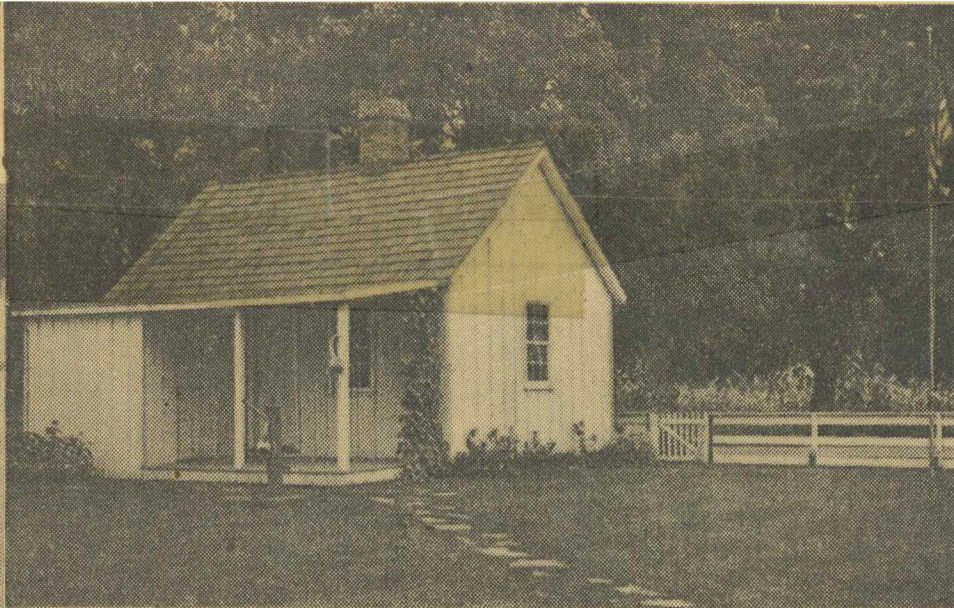
One of the world's outstanding porcelain collections is housed in the museum — antique Chinese porcelain from the Ming (1368-1644) and K'ang Hsi (1662-1722) periods, collected by Mrs. Hoover when she and her husband lived in China 1889-1901.

Hoover came from a poor rural family. He was a mining engineer from 1897 through 1914. Recognized as one of the leaders in the field during the early part of this century,

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(Associated Press Photofax)

Hoover's Iowa Birthplace

This is a reconstructed version of the home in which former President Herbert C. Hoover was born at West Branch, Iowa, on

August 10, 1874. (Story and other pictures on page 1.)

Hoover

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uate for the demands of his system and toxic products are accumulating in the bloodstream.

"The emphasis in this terminal phase of his illness is upon keeping him comfortable and free of pain."

Less than three hours had passed after this bulletin when Mr. Lepore stepped before two news association reporters, the only ones admitted to Hoover's suite for the announcement.

On a piece of hotel stationery, Mr. Lepore had written eight stark words.

"President Hoover, Oct. 20, 1964, time 11:35 a.m."

Here Are Plans for Homage

NEW YORK (AP) — Here is how the nation will pay final homage to former president Herbert C. Hoover:

Wednesday and Thursday — Public viewing at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, Manhattan, each day from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Thursday — Brief memorial service in church at 4:30 p.m., admittance by invitation only.

Friday — The body will be



(Associated Press Photofax)

Ex-Presidents in Iowa in '62

Herbert Hoover and Harry Truman, former presidents, sat together in Cedar Rapids on Aug. 9, 1962. They came to Iowa to attend dedication of the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library in West Branch, Hoover's birthplace, the following day. The dedication day was Hoover's 88th birthday.

Barry Group to Televis 'Moral Decay' Film

WASHINGTON (AP) — A group backing Arizona Sen. Barry Goldwater for president has purchased television time for a half-hour film that includes strip tease artists, girls

Hughes in Pitch for GOP Help

CHARITON (AP) — Democratic Gov. Harold Hughes is making a strong pitch for Republican support as he skips across

Grave

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of the United States then will flown to nearby Iowa City where the cortege will form the trip here, a distance about 10 miles.

Henry said plans have been made to bring the body of Mr. Hoover from California to a peaceful village for internment near her husband of 44 years.

Mrs. Hoover, the former Mrs. Lou Henry, died of a heart attack in 1944 in their apartment at the Waldorf Towers in New York.

Solemn Plea

The last time Hoover cast eyes on the gently rolling hills of home, the elms and the poplars, he took the occasion to make a solemn plea for the creation of a "Council of Free Nations."

Such an organization, he said, with his arms folded placidly across his chest, is needed to work for peace and freedom in the world when the United Nations prove ineffective.

Former President Harry Truman was there to help his friend that day in August 1962. Truman, recovering from the effects of a fall, described Hoover as "one of America's greatest men."

There were other words of praise for Hoover. He listened to them all and then, with a mischievous glint in his eyes, he said it would take a long time to reply to the "overstatements" made about him.

'They Are All True'

"But," he added, "I will simplify it all for you by saying they are all true."

The crowd that sunny day, thousands strong, sang "Happy Birthday" to the son of Iowa.

After all, he was home as he said "as the shadows gather around me."

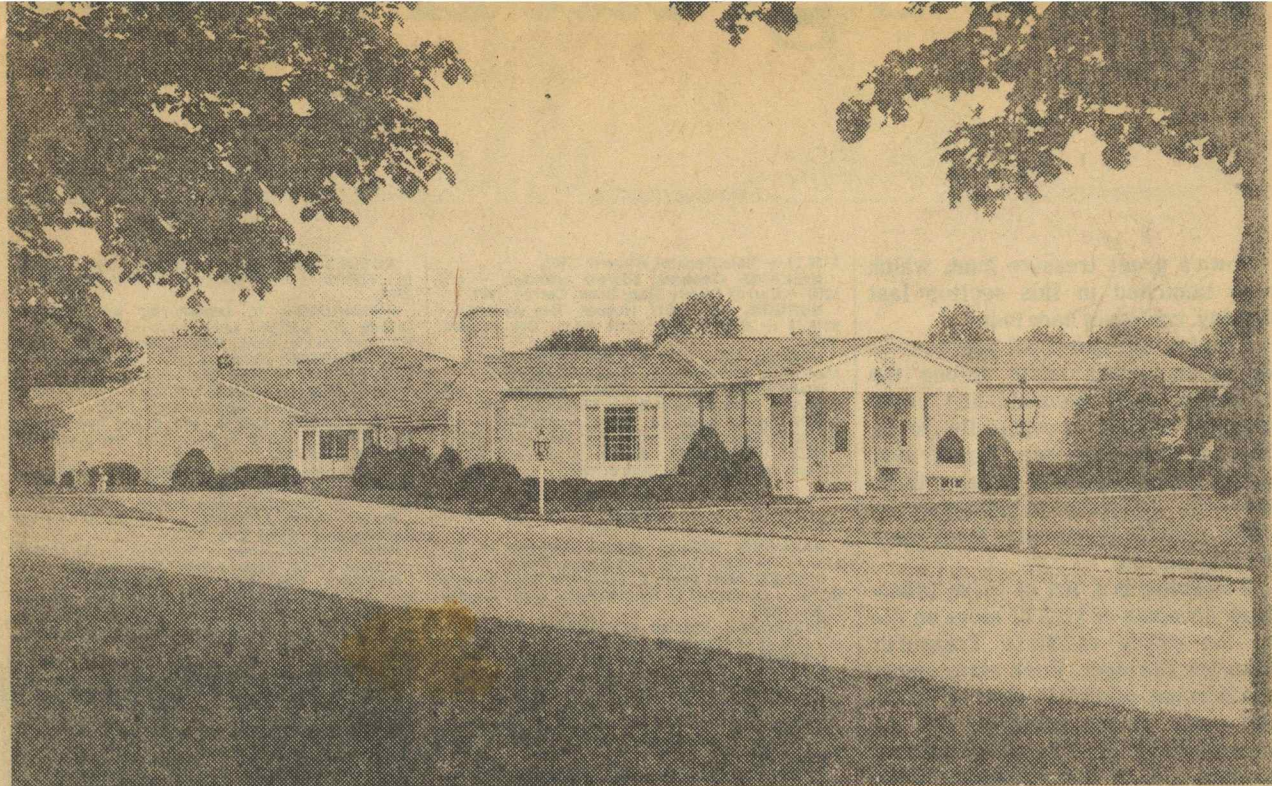
Remembered Iowa Winter

Hoover well remembered winters spent in his home state of Iowa.

Back in 1953 he wrote:

"The climate of Iowa has changed and its youngsters no longer have the full joys of gone winters.

"My fondest memory is of snow over the fence tops—we had to dig five-foot ditches to the barn and the road. By this kindness of nature, we were able to satisfy our youthful yearnings for speed by



Herbert Hoover Memorial Library, West Branch

he traveled widely throughout the world. Called upon in 1914 to head a relief program for the people of Belgium who were on the verge of starvation, Hoover dropped everything to tackle the task, knowing it would have severe consequence on his personal life, his business and his fortune.

"Let the fortune go to hell," he declared. "I accept the challenge." It was a major turning point in his life. Through four years of warfare, the Commission for the Relief of Belgium headed by Hoover fed 11 million people in Belgium and northern France.

Back to Europe

After World War I, President Woodrow Wilson sent Hoover back to Europe as director of the American Relief Administration, a major source of food for 300 million people in 21 countries in Europe and the Middle East.

As secretary of commerce from 1921 to 1928, Hoover carried out a vigorous campaign against pollution of streams, harbors and beaches, and he brought about federal legislation against pollution by oil-carrying ships. He called the first aviation conference in 1922 that eventually established the Aeronautics Branch in the Department of Commerce.

Numerous museum exhibits recall these years, including the machine used in April, 1927, when Hoover was the subject of the first long-distance demonstration of television from Washington, D.C., to New York. Hoover's vice president was Charles Curtis, a Kaw Indian, the highest office ever achieved by an American Indian.

Last year 100,000 visited the Hoover museum. While other presidential libraries operate on annual budgets of \$900,000 to \$1 million, this, the smallest of the libraries, cost \$309,000 to run last year.

Surrounding the library is the Herbert Hoover National Historic Site administered by the National

Park Service. It includes the simple two-room cottage where Hoover was born Aug. 10, 1874. He was the second of three children born to the village smiths, Jesse Hoover, and his wife, Hulda, both Quakers. Jesse Hoover died at 34 when the future president was 6. Mrs. Hoover died four years later, leaving the children orphans.

*See Times Register
Feb. 4, 1979*

First Home At Fourth, Washington

By PATTY JOHNSON
Courier Staff Writer

With the death of Herbert C. Hoover, the nation's 31st President of the United States, also dies Waterloo's last link with the highest office in the land.

The late president was born at West Branch but his wife, the late Lou Henry Hoover, was born right here in Waterloo in



Lou Henry Hoover . . .
1936 photograph

a house that once stood at the corner of Washington and W. 4th Sts., present site of the Home Savings & Loan Association parking area.

Special Kinship

As a result, while Mr. Hoover's political fortunes waxed and waned, while he endured the slings and arrows of blame for the nation's greatest depression, the people of Waterloo have felt a special kinship with him and with the gentle gracious woman whose roots, like his own, were in America's heartland.

Mamie Doud Eisenhower has relatives at Boone. Former Vice President Henry A. Wallace came from Des Moines. But to Waterloo belongs forever a share in memories of a man and woman who gave their state and their nation dignity, honor and dedication.

Born in 1875

Oddly enough, though both Lou Henry and Herbert Hoover were native Iowans, they didn't meet until both were students at Leland Stanford University in Palo Alto, Calif. The future president was a budding engineer, the future first lady a geology student. Lou had been born in 1875, the daughter of Charles D. Henry, a bookkeeper for the old First National Bank of Waterloo, and his wife, the former Florence Weed.

President Hoover, however, was born a year earlier at West Branch, the son of Jesse and Huldah Hoover, pioneering Quakers, both of whom died before he was 10. He'd gone West to live with relatives and to achieve success in the kind of "Horatio Alger" pattern which has become a rarity in today's world.

Three Homes Here

Meantime, Lou Henry of Waterloo, never a pretty child or

a beautiful woman, lived the first years of her life at the house which had been built three years earlier and, later, in a small house at 6th and Commercial Streets and, still later, in a house on 6th Street near Franklin.

Attended Two Schools

Her initial education came at Holland School, later East Junior High School and since razed to make way for the present Waterloo City Hall. She also attended Central School, which became Sloane Wallace and is now the site of an Eagle Supermarket.

However, Lou also went West. She and her family moved to California in 1888 and her father, with others, founded Whittier, home of another well-known Republican figure, former Vice President Richard M. Nixon.

Four years after Waterloo's Lou met West Branch's Herbert, they were married and sailed for China two days later to permit the bridegroom to engage in private mining expeditions.

As brilliant a businessman as he was a devoted public servant, President Hoover achieved personal wealth while he laid a basis of worldwide understanding which served him in good stead during the years to come. His wife shared this spirit of compassion, organizing a Woman's Relief Committee in 1914 to aid stranded Americans in returning home during the early days of World War I.

Lou H. Hoover

Service in World War

When Mr. Hoover was busy directing the nation's war diet during those years, his wife was busy with a Food Administration Club for women. They built a home at Palo Alto but seldom saw it.

Waterloo was delighted when Herbert Hoover became the Republican candidate for president in 1928, although his wife undoubtedly deplored the idea. She disliked public appearances, refused to make formal speeches and traveled on the "whistlestop" campaign dressed in mourning for her father, whose death came that summer.

But the campaign did bring her "home" again for the only time. While her husband made a campaign speech in Cedar Rapids, she visited Waterloo for a reception on the lawn of the Waterloo Woman's Clubhouse. Ironically, her birthplace had been torn down only two years before, but she was taken on a drive around the city to familiar landmarks and she astounded everyone by a phenomenal memory which included recog-

nition of some childhood playmates she hadn't seen for 40 years.

Depression Hits

The Hoover years at the White House were filled with anguish for a snowballing financial panic the President could not control. In the closeness of their devotion, the First Lady shared these years of suffering, so she must have felt a great sense of release when the Hoovers were able at last to settle down in the Palo Alto home in 1933, retaining also an apartment at the Waldorf Tower in New York.

Herbert Hoover's beloved wife died in 1944 at the New York apartment and the nation, by then aware of how deeply it had underestimated both, shared his loss. Waterloo, too, mourned the passing of its own "first lady" and many residents who had known her felt they had experienced a personal tragedy.

Hoover Is Lonely

In the years which have come and gone since then, Herbert Hoover has been a lonely man. The couple's two sons, grandchildren and great grandchildren

have helped to ease his grief but the 45 years together continued to dominate his happiest memories.

Perhaps the greatest tragedy is that Lou Hoover could not have lived to see her husband achieve the place in the sun of statesmanship which he deserved. His advice and counsel have been sought by every president since Franklin Roosevelt. His blueprints for national and international policy have been heralded as guideposts. And, though he lived well beyond the traditional four score and ten, though his speech became more hesitant, his eyesight more dim, his mind re-

mained keen and his constitution remarkable.

Letter as Will

Now he has joined his beloved Lou for the last time. She left him the riches of remembrance and he has left the nation better for having known and come to understand his selfless patriotism.

When Mrs. Hoover died, she left an informal will in the form of a letter to her sons.

She wrote, in part, "You have been lucky boys to have had such a father, and I, a lucky woman, to have had my life's trail alongside the paths of three such men and boys."

Waterloo has been lucky, too.

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Waterloo's Lou Henry Hoover

By PATTY JOHNSON
Courier Feature Editor

A WOMAN WHO hurries off Burma with a 5-week-old baby under her arm, or sits on her front porch in China and brushes away the bullets can't be all dull.

However, the most remarkable woman ever born in Waterloo, Iowa, is generally considered to have had about as much sparkle as a dime store diamond.

If you read between the lines of the new (and possibly the only) biography of Lou Henry Hoover, the wife of the 31st President of the United States emerges as the best of both feminine and feminist.

Slept Well on Mountain Rocks

She was a tomboy who fell so deeply in love with a traveling engineer she called Bert that she camped all over the world just to be near him. She was a good mother who bore only sons but eventually headed the Girl Scouts of America. She slept as well on mountain rocks as she did in the White House—probably better.

"Lou Henry Hoover," the book written by Helen B. Pryor, M.D., is apparently one of a series on wives of presidents. This one seems to be almost as accurate as a prescription with its only obvious boo-boo for Waterloo a reference to Charles Henry, Mrs. Hoover's father, as the man who opened Waterloo's first bank. This will be a definite surprise to the Leavitt & Johnson friends and relatives.

The book, laced with references to Waterloo and Iowa, includes a map of the 12 Hoover places of residence in the world with Waterloo as No. 1 and also has a section of photographs including two of Mrs. Hoover during her childhood here.



ABOVE — Lou Henry is shown at the age of 9 with her sister, Jean, 17 months, in Waterloo. RIGHT — At 10, Lou Henry was already devoted to outdoor sports. These pictures appear in "Lou Henry Hoover," a biography by Helen D. Pryor, M.D. courtesy of the Crandall Collection of the Lou Henry Archives. Permission to reproduce the photos in the Courier comes from Dodd, Mead & Co., Inc., publisher of Dr. Pryor's book.



Her Waterloo Birthplace

She was born March 29, 1875, in the house formerly located at the present site of Home Savings & Loan Association and later lived in a small house at W. 6th and Commercial and on E. 5th Street between Franklin and Walnut Streets. She attended Holland School, present site of the City Hall, as well as the old Central School in Waterloo and spent some time during the summers visiting on the Shell Rock area farm of her grandparents, the Scobey. Scobey's father, Dr.

John Scobey, was Shell Rock's first physician.

In 1944, when Lou Henry Hoover died, death also came to her great aunt, Mrs. Oscar

Eastman, but the latter was 104. Mrs. Hoover was only 68.

She never returned to Waterloo after her family left here when she was 10, except

for a visit on Aug. 22, 1928, when her husband was running for President. At that time, there was a reception for her at the Waterloo Woman's Club

and she remembered many of her old friends.

Like Lou Henry Hoover, the book's author once lived in China and had actually known the First Lady when Dr. Pryor directed the Women Students Health Service at Stanford University in Palo Alto, Calif.

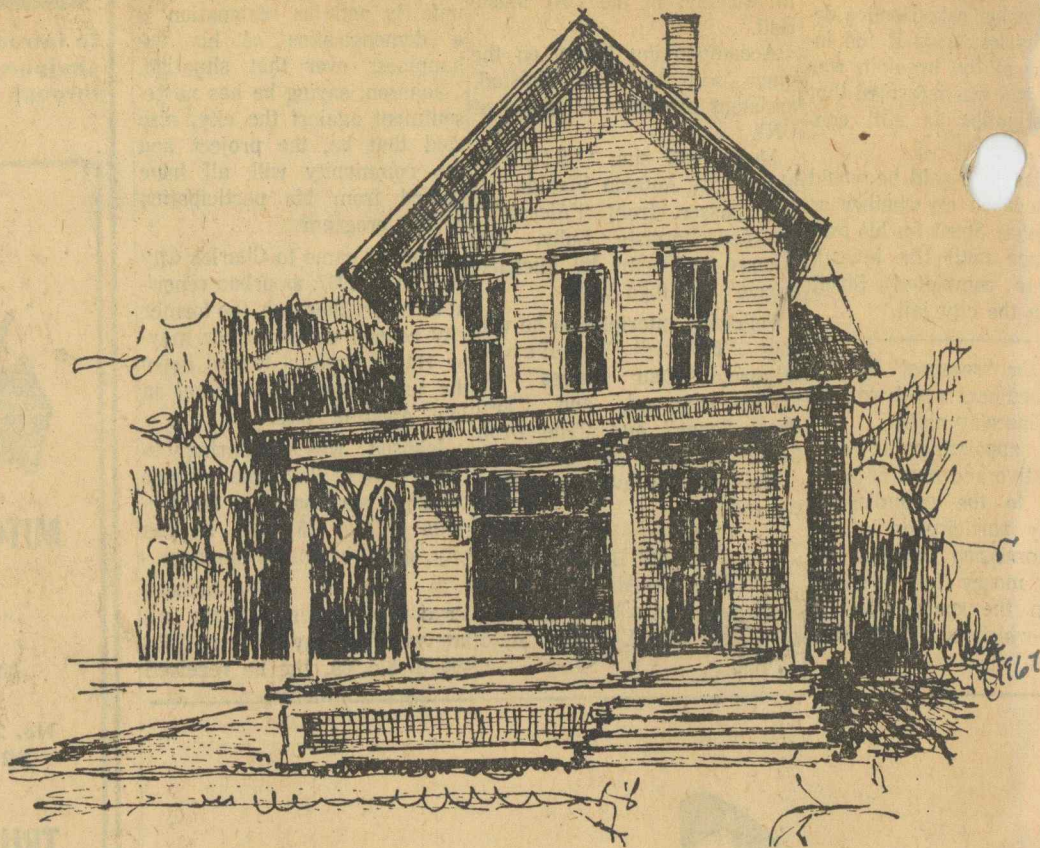
Also like Mrs. Hoover, she's a woman who believes in telling it like it is, or was. This is with the possible exception of some conversations in the book that seem as stiff as Herbert Hoover's collars and reveal little of what was surely a monumental love affair, along with a shared integrity and patriotism incredible in this era of the cynical nose-thumber.

Mrs. Pryor has made an intensive search of source material, including the Waterloo Daily Courier. The book is well documented and indexed and should prove a valuable source book for Waterloo, both for school students and others who value this city's ties with its principal woman celebrity.

Her Reserve Not Penetrated

Unfortunately, Lou Henry Hoover never permitted either public or press close enough to penetrate her reserve. This is partly because of her natural distaste for exploitation and also because her liberal views brought her a public reaction that shocked her.

Most of all, of course, her austerity resulted from the humiliation and misunderstanding her beloved Bert suffered in his public service and from which he was not released and vindicated until long after her death.



LOU HENRY'S BIRTHPLACE — This drawing of the Waterloo house at Washington and West Fourth Sts. where Lou Henry was born in Waterloo appears in the book, "Sixty Sketches of Iowa's Past and Present."

The book was written and illustrated by William J. Wagner, Des Moines architect. It is available from Brown and Wagner, 601 17th St., West Des Moines, at \$9.50 a copy.

A Clue About True Love

Lou Henry had a mind and body as tough and courageous as a man, and this in a day when females were to be seen only fully covered and heard only briefly. Her story could give the Women's Liberation Movement some insight into what a real woman can accomplish. It could also give Black Hawk County's future wives and mothers a clue as to what true love is all about.

For the purposes of this biography, however, it's too bad that Mrs. Hoover's life was an open book—which Dodd, Mead & Co., has published—but she wasn't.

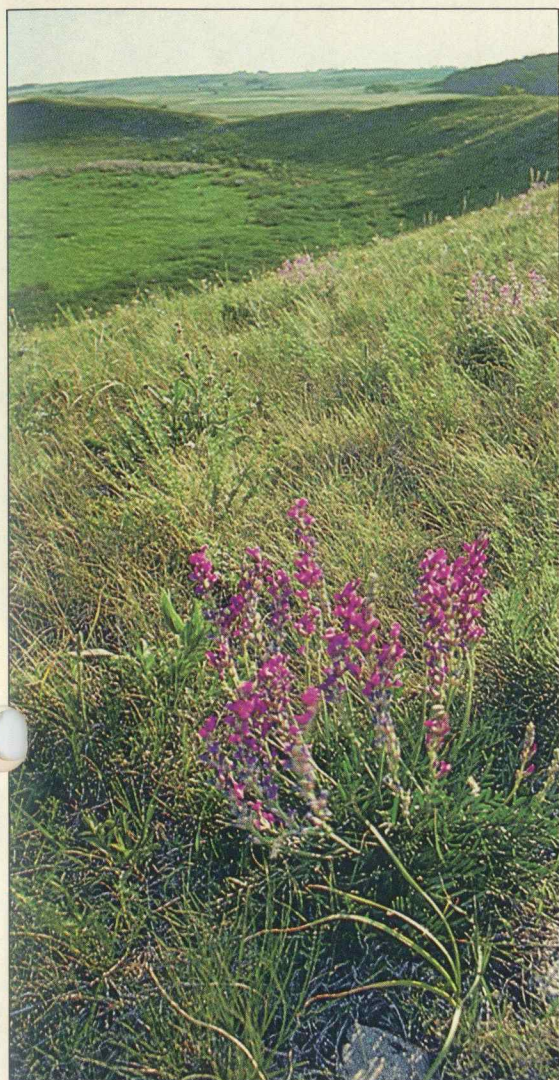
Still, in this era of baring both soul and body, perhaps that's rather refreshing.

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REFLECTIONS OF OUR NATION'S CAPITAL—WASHINGTON, D.C.—

October 4-9

By day, stroll along the vibrant arteries of our nation's capital as history is being written. At night, observe the solemn presence of our national monuments with their lighted reflections serving as constant reminders of our country's greatness.

FROM RUSSIA WITH GLASNOST—October 16-30

Visit Russia as she embraces her "Glasnost" policy of change and openness. Experience a different society as you travel to the political capital of the Soviet Union. MOSCOW; the ancient city of TBILISI; the seaside resort of SOCHI; and the beautiful canal-laced city of LENINGRAD. Tour Director: **Joy Hostetler**.

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Especially designed with our older SINGLES in mind, this cruising adventure aboard Holland America's MS NOORDAM visits San Juan; Virgin Gorda and Tortola, British Virgin Islands; and St. Thomas, U.S. Virgin Islands.

SEAWARD CRUISE—February 26-March 5, 1989

Cast away on Norwegian Cruise Line's newest floating luxury hotel, the SEAWARD. You will enjoy incredibly beautiful horizons, crystal-clear seas and unparalleled service from the ship's crew as you cruise to NCL's Private Island, Ocho Rios, Grand Cayman, Playa del Carmen and Cozumel.

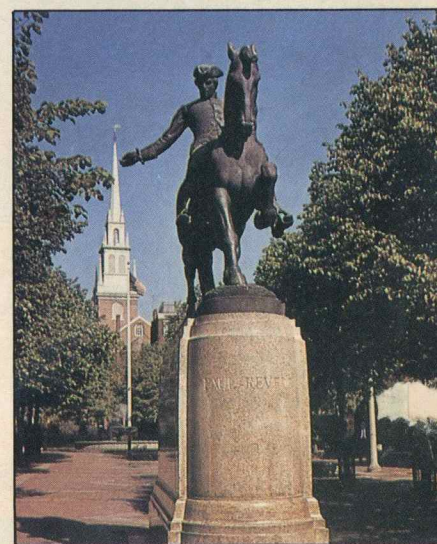
IPO HAWAII—February 14-23, 1989

IPO in Hawaiian means "sweetheart," and what better time to take your sweetheart to Hawaii than on Valentine's Day. Visit the idyllic islands of Maui, Oahu and the "Big Island" of Hawaii. Highlights include the Polynesian Cultural Center Dinner Show, tours of the Arizona Memorial and Hilo/Volcano/Kona region, a sunset dinner cruise and much more!



HAWAII—Polynesian Cultural Center

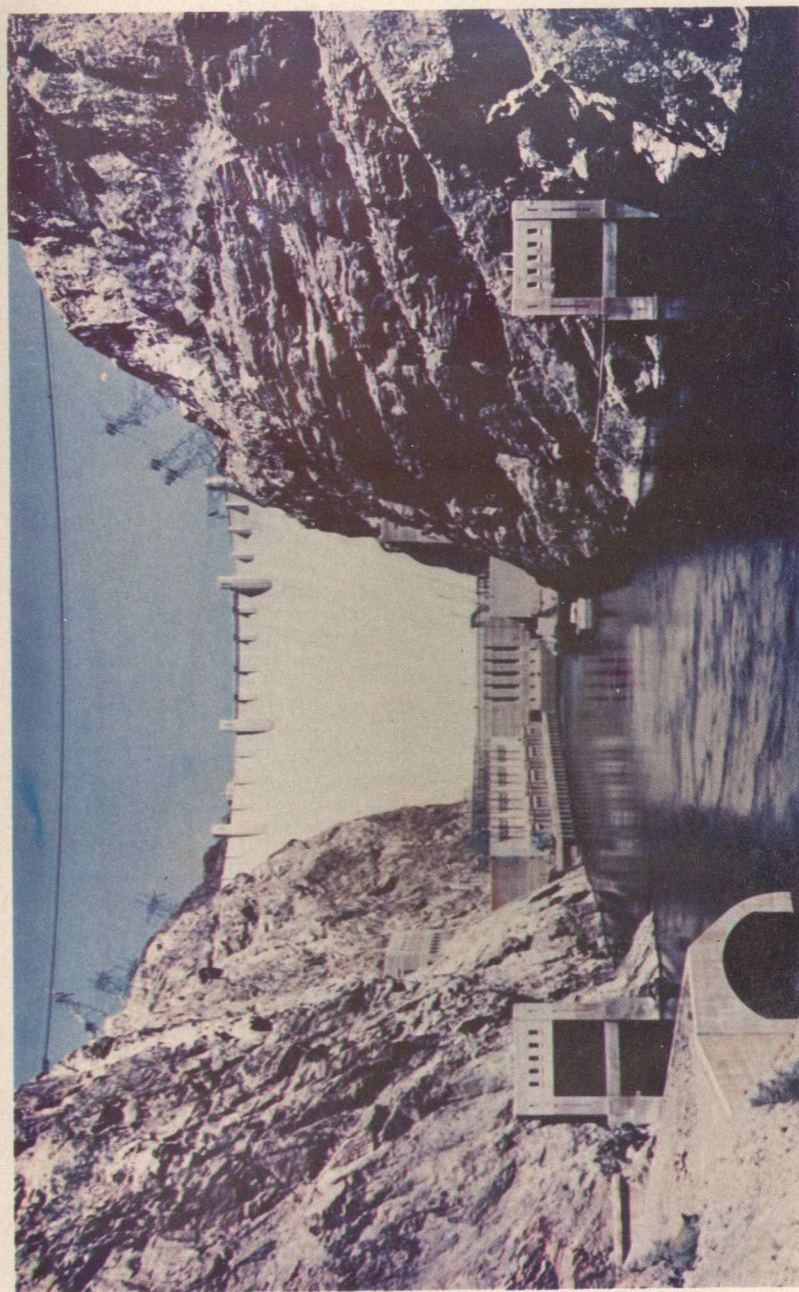
NEW ENGLAND—Boston's Old North Church





HERBERT HOOVER BUILDING—NEW YORK CITY
NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS BOYS' CLUB OF AMERICA

Hoover has been Honorary Chairman of the Boys' Club of America since 1936. This nation-wide movement aids 500,000 boys through more than 500 clubs, with assets of over \$100,000,000.



HOOVER DAM

During my administration, Secretary Wilbur had named the Colorado River dam "Hoover Dam," in accordance with the custom of naming great water conservation dams after the Presidents in whose administrations they were undertaken . . . on May 8, 1933, Secretary Ickes, under orders from Roosevelt, ordered it changed to Boulder Dam. . . . On September 30th, Roosevelt dedicated the dam under the name Boulder Dam, never mentioning that I had been especially responsible for the enterprise through the chairmanship of the Colorado River Commission. . . . On April 30, 1947, the name was restored by unanimous action of the House, and only a trifling opposition in the Senate. The Memoirs of Herbert Hoover . . . 1929-1941.

Henry Hoover

April 5
1985



AP Laserphoto

one my share of actual gun work, if any were necessary, does not alter the fact that my share of protection lay much more towards the regions of a kitchen and dining room. Just as Mr. Hoover's share was in building barricades, providing food, water, etc. and not in running a machine gun!" Also in the papers is a lengthy letter to her sons explaining that their father was always for "the little man" despite what politicians were saying about him in 1932.

A SENSE of humor is evident in many of the papers, including one telegram where Mrs. Hoover complies with her husband's request for a more complete report on the family by writing, "Herbert, Allan, mummy, white rabbits, white baby chickens, toads, frogs, lizards, salamanders, silk worms and horned toad all well and send love."

Diane Van Trees, a guide at the Smithsonian Museum of American History, said that when she was growing up in the 1930s she was taught that Hoover single-handedly caused the depression" but later reading showed her that a tremendous injustice" was done to both Hoovers.

"When I became involved in this material I realized that Mrs. Hoover was

This photo, above, of Lou Henry Hoover on a burro was taken in 1891 in Acton, Calif., in connection with a camping trip on Mount Gleason.

The former first lady's personal files were opened to the public this week, and they revealed her as a woman who was "independent, self-reliant and assertive," according to one researcher.

0) ■ Catherine Kittrell, Community Editor (291-1462)



Courtesy Photo

The Weed Woolen Mill, owned by Lou Henry Hoover's grandparents, was in operation in Shell Rock from the 1870s until around 1900.

state of the art ... it was one of the most modern pieces of milling at that time."

The Walk Through History Day will include a one-, two- or three-mile walk patterned after the European Volksmarsch, beginning at 3 p.m. at the Shell Rock Elementary School. Vossberg, who has collected a lot of information about Lou Henry Hoover and her family's connection to the town, will give several short presentations.

A community supper is set for 5:30 p.m. in the Hoyt Elliot Park shelter. At 6 p.m., Mayor Bob Greenlee will dedicate a plaque honoring Mrs. Hoover. Following the dedication, Doc Everson and his swinging combo, with members of Shell Rock's annual Spring Swing Show, will entertain.

To help with the cost of the plaque, a \$3 fee will be charged for the supper, which consists of brats, hot potato salad, dessert and soft drinks. Donations are also accepted.

In case of rain, the dinner and entertainment will take place in the Boyd Building.

"What I would hope is this event would get a few more people to make the visit to the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library - that's a fantastic place to visit. The Hoovers did so much good and I don't think people know that. They think because President Hoover served during the Depression that the Hoovers didn't do any good," Vossberg says. "And she

was just a common ordinary person who was just as much at home serving a state dinner as she was walking down the streets of Shell Rock."

The Herbert Hoover Presidential Library-Museum in West Branch has loaned a kiosk for the event, which will be on display at the elementary school through the first week of October. Its most recent trip was to the Republican National Convention in Philadelphia.

The kiosk contains photographs of Mrs. Hoover throughout her life, several pieces of correspondence between President Hoover and her, a wedding photo, Mrs. Hoover with her children, grandchildren and her dog, King Tut, and other interesting pieces of memorabilia.

Vossberg and Eiben doubt if any relatives of Lou Henry Hoover are still living in the Shell Rock area, or know how often the First Lady made the journey back to Iowa.

"We do know that her Shell Rock relatives went to Washington, D.C., to visit her, and Herbert Hoover took time out from his presidential duties to take care of funeral arrangements for an aunt of hers. Talking to the funeral director here in town, that was one of the highlights of his career, dealing with President Hoover," Eiben says.

"And neither her or Herbert Hoover had lived in Iowa for a long time, so it's pretty nice that the presidential library ended up in Iowa."

Lou Henry Hoover

Walk through
history with a
former first lady

By CJ HINES

Senior Assistant Lifestyles Editor

SHELL ROCK

in an encyclopedia and you'd
be surprised to find more than a
paragraph or two about her.

Though she was married to Her-
bert Hoover, 31st president of the
United States, Lou Henry Hoover has
been largely ignored by historians.

Iowans, though, are familiar
with the former First Lady. She was
born in Waterloo, and she and her
husband are both buried in West
Branch overlooking his birthplace.

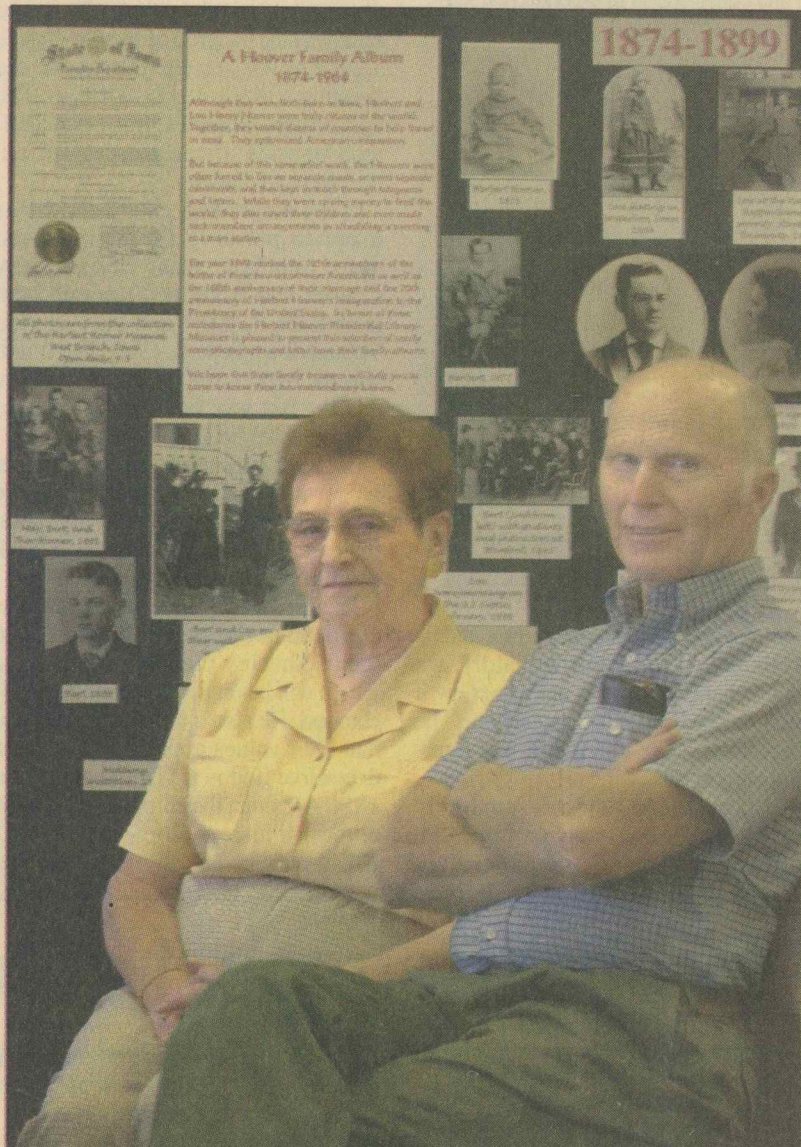
On Saturday, she will be honored
at Shell Rock's Walk Through
History Day.

You may be wondering 'why
not?', citizens here say 'why

not?' though the city of Waterloo
remembers her, as a very young girl, she
and her family lived just west of this
Harrison County town. Her great-
grandfather, Dr. Scobey, was the
first physician, and her grand-
father and her father opened the
first woolen mill.

Lou Henry Hoover lived here for
years, and her family ran a
woolen mill that the Weed family
owned. Her mother was a Weed,"
Galen Eiben, who is on the Shell
Rock Development Committee.

Faye Vossberg, the town's "unoffi-
cial historian" adds, "Lou's father
and in the area and he owned
an interest in the mill. After he
established it, he moved the fam-
ily to Waterloo. They eventually
moved to Monterey, Calif. But her
parents lived in Shell Rock until
their deaths."



BRANDON POLLOCK/Courier Staff Photographer

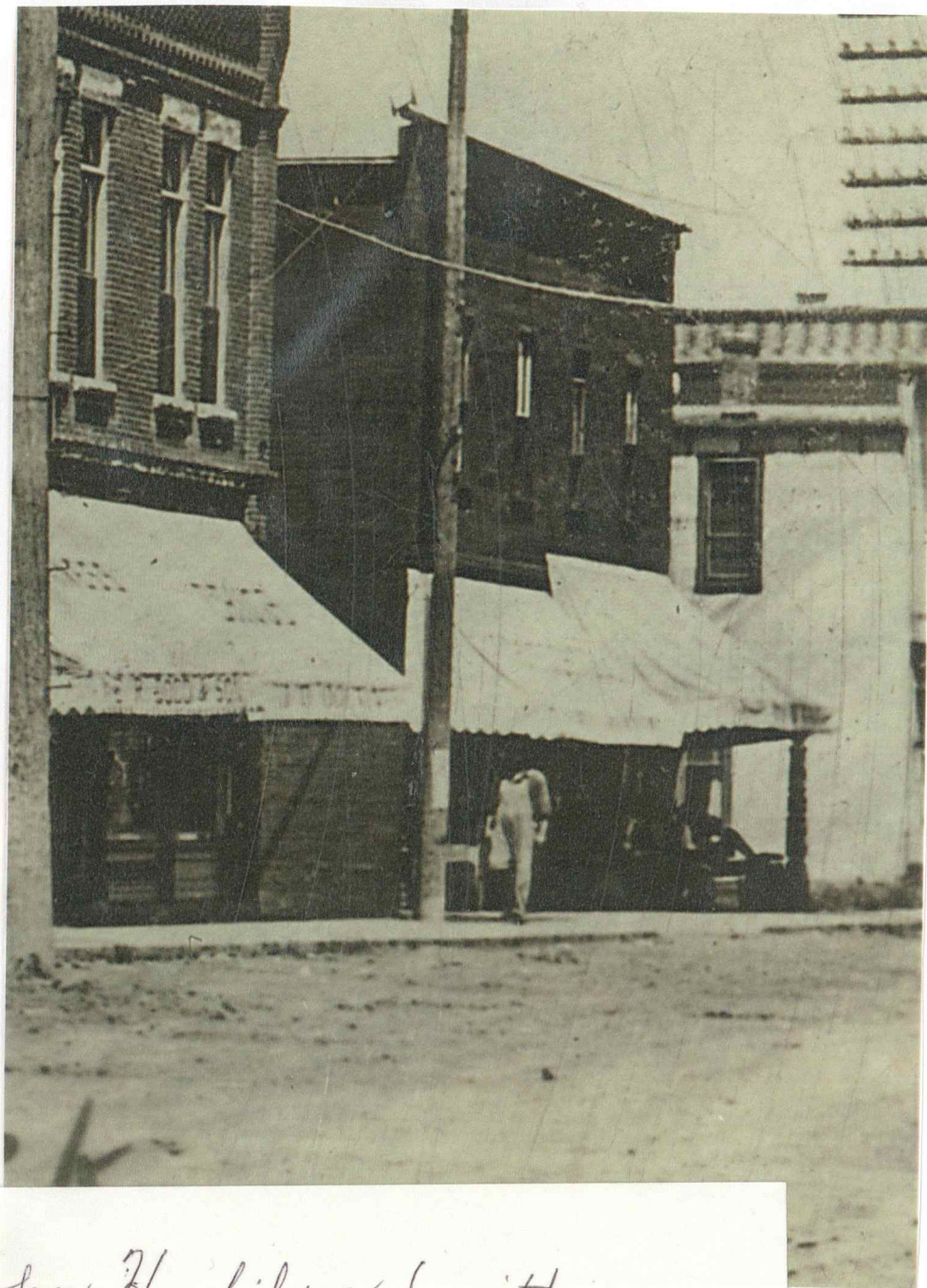
Faye Vossberg, Shell Rock's "unofficial historian," and Galen Eiben of the Shell Rock Development Committee, sit in front of a kiosk about Lou Henry Hoover on loan from the Herbert Hoover Presidential Library-Museum in West Branch. The kiosk will be on display in Shell Rock as part of the town's Lou Henry Hoover Day, which takes place Saturday.

The mill continued to operate until
about 1900, Eiben estimates. After
that, it housed Shell Rock's first elec-
tric plant.

"The woolen mill was north when

you come into town; it was three sto-
ries high. It was approximately where
the shelter is now behind the present
mill," Eiben explains.

"At the time the woolen mill was



John Houlihan (with
crotch) standing at North
corner of Houlihan
Block - New Hartford

HOULIHAN BROTHERS.

Beaver township finds progressive and worthy representation of its agricultural interests in John and Thomas Houlihan comprising the firm of Houlihan Brothers, farmers and raisers on section 35. They are members of one of the known pioneer families of this locality, their father, Matthew Houlihan, having been one of the first settlers in this part of Illinois. He was born in Ireland in 1823 and when he was twenty years of age emigrated to America, landing in New Orleans. He worked as a laborer and afterward on railroad construction, making his way from New Orleans to Dubuque, Iowa. From Dubuque he moved to Cedar Falls. He became the first section boss on the Illinois Central Railroad in New Hartford. At a very early date he moved into Butler county and took up land in this locality when pioneer conditions prevailed everywhere and when Indians were camped on the river bank two hundred feet from the home of the subjects of this review. Maurice Houlihan cultivated and improved eighty acres of land on section 35, Beaver township, and remained a resident of this locality until his death in 1888. His wife, who was in her maidenhood Miss Bridget Moore, was born in Ireland in 1821 and died in 1886. In this family were four children, Anastasia, John, Thomas and Maurice. All are single with the exception of the last mentioned, who has been three times married. He now makes his home in Sheboygan county, Wisconsin.

John and Thomas Houlihan and their sister Anastasia were educated in the public schools of Butler county and the brothers have been engaged in farming since the beginning of their active career. They and their sister own two hundred and thirty-five acres of land lying on sections 34 and 35, Beaver township, and upon this fine property they reside. They raise hay and grain and keep sixty head of cattle, two hundred hogs and eight horses. The Houlihan Brothers have been very successful in the conduct of their interests, steadily carrying forward the work of developing their holdings along progressive and practical lines, and they have now one of the finest and most modern farms in this locality. They are stockholders in the New Hartford Creamery Company and own the site and buildings of the New Hartford Farmers Savings Bank, one dwelling in New Hartford, four lots and one business building. They are resourceful and farsighted business men, careful in the management of their extensive interests and able to carry forward to successful completion whatever they undertake. They are members of the Roman Catholic church and give their political allegiance to the democratic party. In business circles they have attained an enviable reputation, and their personal characteristics have gained them the esteem and confidence of many friends.

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1936 April 16
John Houlihan of
New Hartford Dies

(Courtesy, Special Service)
New Hartford, Ia.—John Houlihan, 80, member of a pioneer family of this section, died Monday at his home here. Death was due to general breakdown and he had been in failing health for a long time.
The only relative known to survive is a half brother, Maurice Houlihan, Sheboygan.
A brother and sister, Thomas and Anastasia Houlihan, preceded him in death.
The body was taken to Engel's funeral home at Parkersburg.

Herbert H. Hovelson, 72, of New Hartford, died Wednesday morning, October 12, at Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo where he had been taken earlier that morning.

Herbert was born on April 27, 1905, in Osage, Iowa, the son of Roy and Alice (Millard) Hovelson. He attended school in Osage and graduated from the Osage High School in 1924. He then went to Cornell College where he graduated in 1928, and in later years he did graduate work at Drake University in Des Moines.

On August 29, 1929, Herbert was married in Vincent, Iowa, to Anita Volney. They lived in Milan, Minnesota for a year where he taught before returning to Iowa where he taught school in Osage, Whitten, and Swaledale and in 1946 they moved to New Hartford where he taught in the New Hartford, Woden and Finchford Schools. After he left teaching he became the Business Administrator of the New Hartford Schools, served as City Clerk for the City of New Hartford and served as secretary for the New Hartford School Board. Herbert was a member of the New Hartford United Methodist Church, was a member of Beaver Lodge No. 472 A.F. & A.M. of New Hartford, and a member of the New Hartford Lions Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Richard, and a brother, Millard Hovelson. He is survived by his wife, Anita, one son, Jack Hovelson of Cedar Falls, one daughter Lynne, Mrs. James Willey of San Antonio, Texas, a sister, Mrs. Russell (Florence) Stock of Osage and two granddaughters, Holly and Lisa Hovelson.

Flora C. Vial

CEDAR FALLS — Memorial services for Flora C. Vial, 89, of the Western Home, formerly of Laurens, will be 10 a.m. Monday at the Western Home Chapel. Services also will be at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at Laurens First United Methodist Church with burial in Laurens Cemetery.

She died Saturday morning (March 11) of cancer at the Western Home.

She was born June 11, 1899, in Fonda, daughter of Messer and Emma C. Bleam Leith. She married Ralph H. Vial March 17, 1920, in Ware. He died Jan. 25, 1982. She then married Clyde Peterson and they were later divorced.

Survivors include two sons, Howard of Laurens and Robert of Raytown, Mo.; a daughter, Ruth Hovelson of Cedar Falls; a brother, Oliver Leith of Pocahontas; two sisters, Iris Aaberg of Pocahontas and Ruth McLain of Havelock; 12 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren; she was preceded in death by two brothers and a sister.

There will be no visitation in Cedar Falls. Richardson Funeral Home is in charge of local arrangements. Friends may call at Smith Funeral Home, Laurens, on Monday evening.

News never stops for UNI's Hovelson

By **TIM JAMISON**
Courier Staff Writer

CEDAR FALLS

Jack Hovelson had a short-lived teaching career after graduating from college in 1957, educating Webster City High School students about the joy of American literature and journalism.

"Teaching was fine," he said. "I enjoyed it, but it wasn't really what I wanted to do."

So he traded his blackboard two years later for a notebook and pen, launching a career in newspaper reporting spanning 37 years and culminating in 1996 after running the Des Moines Register's Waterloo news bureau for nearly three decades.

But retirement has put him back in the "classroom" to mentor University of Northern Iowa students staffing the campus newspaper. This time, teaching suits Hovelson just fine.

"Working with these college kids is very enjoyable," said Hovelson, who is beginning his fifth year as the Northern Iowan's adviser. "I couldn't have written a better job description for my part-time retirement job."

"It's fun," he added. "It kind of keeps me young, as young as you can be at my age."

Dean Kruckeberg, a professor in communication studies and coordinator for UNI's Mass Communication Division, said Hovelson is an asset to the Northern Iowan and its writers.

"I think he has just done an outstanding job as adviser," said Kruckeberg, who sits on the student publications board.

"First of all he comes with instant credibility," he said. "He worked for many years for a major daily newspaper and covered a lot of important stories over the years."

"But it's also his demeanor," he added. "Jack kind of exudes a warmth. You know that you can approach him and he'll help you out and be supportive. He's very patient with the students."

Hovelson, a native of New Hartford, worked as a part-time sportswriter at the Waterloo Courier while attending what is now UNI. He later wrote for Stars and Stripes and other military publications while he served in the U.S. Army, stationed in Japan. Following the short teaching experience, his first full-time reporting post came at the Fort Dodge Messenger in 1959.

He moved back to the Waterloo area in 1960 and joined the staff at the Courier, working his way up to assistant city editor in 1966. The Des Moines Register hired Hovelson in 1968 to open a bureau in Waterloo, and he worked in that capacity until the office closed and he took an early retirement in 1996.

"I really had no plans," he said of retirement. "I had a few little projects around the house and thought I'd do some freelance (reporting) work."

But UNI came calling. The student newspaper, which is published twice a week, had been without an adviser for the previous year, and the school was looking for someone with Hovelson's long experience writing news stories chasing scoops and understanding the print media business.

Despite some initial misgivings, Hovelson is glad he accepted the offer.

"The best part is working with these young people, even though they are certainly green when it comes to being a news reporter," he said. "They're not professionals. They don't have the experience. It's my job to show them."

"They come to me a lot and ask my advice. The most difficult part of the job is keeping my hands off."

My job is to guide them and critique their work, not to tell them what to do."

Most of the Northern Iowan writers aren't studying to become newspaper writers. They are looking for work in public relations, education, business and other fields, and few have any journalism experience.

"The objective is to get these kids thinking like newsmen," Hovelson said. "Whenever they see something that is of interest to them, they should be thinking 'Oh, that's a news story.' I really began to see that happening in the last year."

In particular, Hovelson recalls articles about a proposed increase in student ticket prices for football games. A student writer took the initiative to call other schools in the conference and found their ticket prices were all lower, much lower in some cases, than what UNI was charging. Shortly after the story

ran, the university administration backed off the ticket price hike.

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— **Jack Hovelson**
Northern Iowan adviser

"Last year they did a good job reporting on the guns-on-campus issue, arming campus security," Hovelson said. "They did a fair job of reporting on the issue."

"Fairness is one thing that I really insist on. They've got to make sure the other side as a chance to refute the story or at least comment on it."

The faculty's Kruckeberg has also noticed the student writers are working more diligently to get timely

news into the Northern Iowan, a change he attributes to Hovelson's guidance.

"He's gotten them to respect deadlines and realize this story isn't going to be as good next issue as it is this issue," he said.

While Hovelson said he isn't sure how long he'll serve as the paper's adviser, he is still getting plenty of satisfaction from the job.

"Last spring, for the first time in the four years I've been the adviser, two of my kids went out and got jobs as newspaper reporters," he said. "I don't know how much I had to do with it, but I'm really satisfied with that."

"I hope I've instilled some of the qualities of professional journalism in these kids. I hope some of it shows through."

GREG BROWN/Courier Staff Photographer

Retired newspaper reporter Jack Hovelson is lending his expertise to University of Northern Iowa students. He's starting his fifth year as the adviser for student writers at the campus newspaper, the Northern Iowan.



A farewell to Register's Hovelson

Des Moines Register
IOWA BOY



**Chuck
OFFENBURGER**

Jan 28 1996
**What makes up
a real reporter?**

Waterloo, Ia. — One of our best says farewell to daily newspapering this week.

Jack Hovelson, 63, who for 28 years has served as The Register's Waterloo reporter, is taking early retirement. His last day of work is Wednesday.

The news bureau is being closed in a cost-cutting move, one that Hovelson finds irritating. But he is happy with the early-retirement opportunity and the time it will give him for relaxation and travel with his wife, Ruth, and for more visits with their two daughters and grandchildren.



Hovelson
Old pro

Hovelson, a native of New Hartford, where he was a high school buddy of U.S. Sen. Charles Grassley, is a reporter's reporter. He even looks like one as he makes his rounds in the Waterloo-Cedar Falls area, typically wearing a

trench coat and Ivy-style cap.

The stories of how he works are favorites among his news colleagues.

They tell how in the early years of the news bureau, before the office had air conditioning, Hovelson would come in on summer afternoons, open the windows of the sweltering office, lock the door, strip down and write his articles in his underwear.

"On those days, I'd have sweat dripping off my chin, right on my copy," Hovelson says with a laugh.

Off to Telegraph Office

When he finished writing, he would put his clothes back on and dash to the Western Union office a block away so the stories could be sent by telegraph to Des Moines.

He was thrilled years later when technology changes brought facsimile machines, then laptop computers — and, of course, air conditioning.

Hovelson fits people's idea of what a real reporter is like. In fact, a late friend of his, Charlie Kapler, who owned a supermarket, made him into a caricature in the big ads Kapler ran in the Waterloo Courier.

Hovelson appeared in those ads as ace reporter "Hovel Jackson," who for years was making "big scoops" about grocery deals or commenting on community happenings.

Before joining The Register, Hovelson had reported for the Courier for eight years and for two years for the Fort Dodge Messenger. Even earlier, he taught journalism for two years at Webster City High School.

With his 38 years as a reporter, he bows out as one of the senior newspaper reporters in Iowa. The only two I could find with more seniority are Ed Peck, 70, who has 48 years in as sports editor of the Newton Daily News, and Harold Bailey, 71, who has 48 years in as sports editor of the Perry Chief. Both are still working full time.

Hovelson has covered every kind of story imaginable. His favorites:

- Finagling an exclusive interview in 1981 with Kathryn Koob the day after the Jesup native and 51 other American hostages came home after being held in Iran for 444 days.

- The story of the 1975 Mark murders on a farm near Cedar Falls in which Jerry Mark was convicted of killing his brother, sister-in-law and their two children.

- Being the first reporter-photographer on the scene of a natural gas pipeline explosion near Hudson that killed five people in 1984.

- Profiling the career of the eccentric Robert James Waller from the time he was just another business professor at the University of Northern Iowa to now, when he is one of the world's most successful novelists.

"What's made the job so fascinating is the variety," Hovelson said last week as he boxed his four file cabinets of clippings and notes.

Those Hovelson files are legendary, both for the volume of information and their orderliness.

"Jack's files are the absolute best," said Randy Evans, The Register's Iowa editor and Hovelson's boss. "How else can you explain him having clips on John Wayne Gacy before Gacy became a serial killer?"

Indeed, Hovelson did.

"When the Gacy story broke in Chicago (in 1979), I recognized him as a guy who'd been in trouble here in Wa-

terloo," Hovelson said.

"I searched my files and found a story from seven or eight years earlier where he'd been given a 10-year sentence in Black Hawk County for sexual molestation, and that he'd been paroled after three or four years."

Evans and others in the Des Moines office were astounded by what Hovelson could find.

"I figure Jack was a librarian in a previous life," Evans said.

There are a couple of grand ironies about Hovelson's career.

One is that he gave Dennis Ryerson, now the editor of The Register, his first job in professional journalism. In 1968, Hovelson hired Ryerson, then a 20-year-old UNI sophomore, to be a "campus stringer" for The Register.

The other irony had its roots in 1955 and '56, when Pfc. Jack Hovelson was working as a reporter for the 1st Cavalry Division's Army newspaper in Japan. His editor was Cpl. Edward Heins from Wisconsin. A dozen years later, it was Ed Heins, then assistant managing editor of The Register, who hired Hovelson to open the news bureau here.

Hovelson has been fascinated by journalism since his school days in New Hartford, when he worked on the school newspaper and put out "little underground papers — the 'Sophomore Stinker' and the 'Junior Journal.'" Those were handwritten with fun stories about his teachers and classmates.

Hovelson had a shocking experience, though, when he was 16 years old: He witnessed a double murder-suicide in Chicago.

Lakefront Encounter

He and pal Herb Johnson had gone to Chicago by train to watch the Cubs play baseball. On their second morning there, they were strolling along Chicago's lakefront when suddenly, Hovelson said, "a man who was obviously deranged started running and screaming, 'I love Sally! I love Sally!'"

The man ran to a couple nearby, pulled out a gun and shot them. He then turned the gun on himself.

The young Hovelson collected all the Chicago newspapers, took them home and studied their coverage of the crime.

His news instinct throughout his career has been almost unrivaled. He somehow finds a way to crack the big story. The best example was the way he got the interview with Koob.

Hovelson had been following her story while she and the others were held in Iran, where she worked for the U.S. State Department. Her Iranian captors accused her and many of the others of working for the CIA.

Hovelson got to know Koob's sister, Vivian Homeyer, then of Wellsburg. When the hostages were released, they were brought back to the United States under very tight security and were taken to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., to receive medical attention, be debriefed and meet relatives.

Hovelson and a Register photographer flew there with Homeyer and her parents.

Not a Cinch

"Our assignment, of course, was to do the best we could to get an interview with Katy Koob," Hovelson said. "But we had no assurances that we'd get one. I was really afraid of failure, particularly with all the money it was costing The Register for us to go out there."

He remembered that an old Army buddy lived near West Point, although they had not talked in 25 years. He called him, renewed the friendship and asked to use his home for a base.

"On the way out there on the plane, I... decided to write a letter to Katy Koob, explaining what we wanted to do, and ask Vivian Homeyer to deliver it to her sister if she could," he said.

He and the photographer checked into a motel. The next morning, they went to the home of his friend and drank coffee for three hours until the telephone rang.

"It was a Sergeant Bruno, saying he understood I wanted to talk to Kathryn Koob, and he said he would drive her and her parents off the post," Hovelson said. "He suggested they would meet us in a little cafe in Highland Falls, just outside the gates."

Hovelson and the photographer rushed to the cafe, introduced themselves to the owners, explained that they were going to be doing an important interview there and that other reporters might try to horn in.

When the Koobs arrived, a waitress escorted them into a back room.

"I turned on a tape recorder and we talked for about 45 minutes," Hovelson said. "A half-hour into it, the waitress came in and said other reporters were snooping around up front, saying they heard one of the hostages might be there."

"So while we finished up the interview, Sergeant Bruno went out and got the car and drove it up to the cafe's back door. The Koobs left without the other media getting to them."

"It was by far my biggest scoop," said Hovelson, who still smiles with satisfaction.

Community

Fire has been especially tough on Rose Hill. The city hall and many homes burned in the late 1970s, destroying the town's main street. The city's first railroad depot burned in 1942, and a large school and hotel burned eight years later. Since the turn of the century, a school building, a police station, post office and tavern have all burned.

The city's community center is one of the few buildings still standing. It was built in the 1920s, but its population dropped by more than one-half in the 1970s.

The city's main school of 1970s was built in 1973 and was the first to be built in World War II and the first to be built in the city since then, closed in 1977.

But Mark Jackson is optimistic. "Small towns are shrinking up and dying," he said. "You've got to have some kind of focus to pull people together."

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Friendly dispute with Grassley from high-school days

Jan. 21, 1996

H. S. Principali Son

By JACK HOVELSON



Chuck Grassley and I have this dispute that has gone on for years.

He keeps insisting that I made up a story about him. I accuse him of having

poor memory. Chuck (also known as U.S. Senator Charles E.) and I go back a long way. We went to high school together at New Hartford. I graduated in 1950, he in 1951, so we didn't attend the same classes, but I recall sitting about four desks away from him in study hall one year.

We also were on the baseball team and I modestly admit that I taught him about all he knows about the game.

But, back to our dispute.

I wouldn't even bring it up, except that Eric Woolson, now Gov. Terry Branstad's press secretary, has committed it to record in the book Woolson has written about Grassley. The book, "Grass-

ley," was released just in time for Christmas shoppers and is still on sale in lots of places. More than three dozen copies have been purchased at the New Hartford Hardware Co. store alone, according to one of my hometown sources.

What I recall is that back in our early high-school days, a few of us were hanging out, talking about what we wanted to be when we grew up. I want to think it was at Mert Johnson's pool hall, but Grassley probably would deny ever setting foot in a pool hall, so maybe it was the Home Cafe in downtown New Hartford.

Anyway, a couple of guys said they wanted to farm, I said something about newspapering, the others I don't remember. Except for Grassley.

To quote him verbatim: "You guys are probably going to laugh at me, but what I'd really like to be is president of the United States."

He was right. We did laugh at him. I've told the story many times (sometimes, admittedly, to impress people with the fact that I knew

the Chuck Grassley way back when) and I've always ended it with something to the effect that "he in fact came a lot closer to being president of the United States than any of us would have dreamed."

Woolson, in writing about the incident, said: "Grassley scoffed at the memory. 'I tell him (Hovelson) that's a figment of his imagination. I never remember that.'"

Grassley is an honest man. I believe him when he says he doesn't remember it. He just has a bad memory, that's all. If I had said back then at the pool hall, er, Home Cafe, that I wanted to be the editor of The New York Times, do you think he might have recalled that and occasionally bug me about falling a bit short of my ambition? Nah.

I hasten to assure that Woolson, until recently the Waterloo Courier's writer of editorials, has come up with many much better things to record in "Grassley" than our silly little dispute that consumes barely half of one of the book's 201 pages.

Chuck came out of New Hartford High School (enrollment 82, grades nine through 12) to become a boy



WHERE TO BUY BOOK

"Grassley" comes with eight pages of vintage photographs of the senator. One — Grassley standing at his desk the first day of the 1958 session of the Iowa Legislature — may be worth the price of the book (\$25 hardcover; \$13.95 paperback). It is available at several bookstores in Iowa, or may be ordered from Mid-Prairie Books, P.O. Box C, Parkersburg, Ia. 50665; 319-346-2048. There is a \$2 charge for tax and shipping.

wonder of Iowa politics. Woolson relates in fascinating detail how Grassley came within a whisker of upsetting incumbent state Representative Wayne Ballhagen, a fellow New Hartfordite, in the 1956 GOP primary election, then getting the job done two years later.

"The (1958) general election was a breeze. Grassley defeated one of

his cousins, Travis C. Moffitt, a Shell Rock Democrat, 3,021 to 1,690," Woolson wrote.

From then on, it's one victory after another, all the way to the U.S. Senate. Woolson notes that Grassley is dogged throughout his political career by a "country hick" image that just won't go away.

"One conclusion advanced, more implicitly than explicitly by those who disagree with Grassley's political philosophy, is that he is a naive, stuck-in-the-Fifties, Ozzie Nelson family man who understands nothing of real families or modern society because of his sheltered, straitlaced upbringing," Woolson wrote.

"Such inaccurate assumptions, though somewhat understandable, fail to scratch the surface of Charles Grassley."

As proof, the author documents in detail examples of the senator's political savvy and congressional accomplishments, most notably his persistent skirmishes with the Pentagon over outrageous costs of some military items.

JACK HOVELSON writes from The Register's Waterloo bureau.

Found this when I was cleaning out a crawlspace

New Hartford floodwaters douse fire

By JACK HOVELSON

Of The Register's Waterloo Bureau

NEW HARTFORD, IA. — Belligerent Beaver Creek bowled into New Hartford Saturday for the second time in two weeks, inundating more than half of the Butler County town and this time helping firefighters extinguish a blaze before it could destroy a water-surrounded home. **More on the wet, wet Iowa weather: 4B**

The fire, possibly started by lightning during an early morning thunderstorm that dumped more rain on the beleaguered town, engulfed an attached garage at the Robert Dietrick home.

"I had just poured a cup of coffee and hadn't even gotten a sip when a neighbor waded over and said my garage was on fire," Dietrick said.

New Hartford fire trucks splashed in to get to Dietrick's home, and firefighters pumped flood water onto the fire as it threatened to spread through a breezeway and into the home's attic.

Dietrick said he lost a nearly new rototiller, a lawn mower, three chain saws and numerous other items in the fire.

Two weeks ago, the town was flooded when downpours in the Beaver Creek watershed west of Cedar Falls sent the Cedar River tributary out of its banks.

Townpeople said Saturday's flood was a few inches higher than the past one.

Water was over Iowa Highway 57 between New Hartford and Parkersburg, and numerous country roads in the area were blocked by flood waters.

Water 8 inches higher than May 20.

New Hartford flood damage assessment set

NEW HARTFORD — The New Hartford Disaster Committee finalized plans Wednesday to distribute flood damage assessment forms to every household and church in town during the next few days.

The information will be used by the city, which has been swamped with flood waters twice this spring, to show need for government flood assistance. Residents are asked to keep receipts of replacement or cleanup purchases.

Completed forms are to be returned to City Hall by noon Tuesday. Committee Chairman Terry Thompson said the group will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at City Hall and will contact anyone who has not responded by then.

Anyone not contacted should check with City Hall.

Volunteers will also provide printed copies of a city ordinance prohibiting people from discharging water into the sanitary sewer system. Violators will be fined \$100, and each day will be considered a separate violation.

The ordinance has been in effect for some time, but has not been enforced. Officials are authorized to inspect properties for possible offenders.

After June 17, city officials will spot check for violations on a regular basis.

Solve mystery of outhouse crescent

By JACK HOVELSON
Register Staff Writer

WATERLOO, IA. — The people who man the reference desk at the Waterloo Public Library are called upon to provide answers for questions dealing with a myriad of topics, some quite remote.

Rarely, if ever, are the researchers stumped.

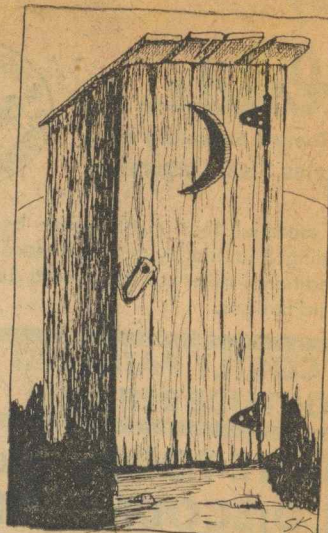
The librarians concede, however, that they sweated one out recently — and even had to enlist the aid of student researchers at the University of Iowa — when they were asked:

What is the origin of the crescent moon windows cut into the doors of outhouses?

The Waterloo Public Library's answer comes from a book entitled "The Cracker Barrel." It was authored by Eric Sloane and published in 1967 by Funk and Wagnalls.

In past centuries, it seems, there were outhouses designated for women only, and others for men. Instead of bearing the words "Ladies" or "Gents," the facilities had either a crescent moon (for Luna, symbol of women kind) or a sun shape (for Sol, symbol of man) sawed out on the doors.

The sun symbol became ex-



DRAWING BY STAFF
ARTIST STAN KLUENDER

An Outhouse

tinct sometime in the late 1880's. Explains Sloane:

"When the country inns became less elegant, the men's outhouse was discontinued because of the proximity of the forests or bushes, and only the outhouse with the crescent remained."

That, say the Waterloo librarians, will suffice as an official answer to the engrossing question. Unless, of course, someone comes up with a better explanation.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW: JACK HOVELSON

If ever there was a born Northeast Iowa newsman, it was Jack Hovelson, a native of New Hartford who wrote news stories for The Courier and Des Moines Register over a span of 35 years.

Now retired, Hovelson has not taken himself completely out of the news picture. He spends his time as adviser for the University of Northern Iowa student newspaper, The Northern Iowan.

"It's been a pleasant experience working with university students. I've found them to be more serious-minded, insightful and responsible than we older ones sometimes believe when we read and hear about their beer consumption and homecoming rioting," Hovelson said.

Hovelson graduated from New Hartford High School in 1950, a year ahead of Sen. Charles Grassley, whom "I taught how to play first base on the baseball team," Hovelson said. "My interest in journalism began when I was a high school sophomore. My first venture into the field was a hand-letter 'underground' newspaper I dubbed the Sophomore Stinker."

In college at Iowa State Teachers College, now UNI, Hovelson was on the newspaper staff. In the Army in the mid-1950s, "I wran-



Jack Hovelson

former writer for
The Courier

gled my way into a (public information office) job reporting for four or five military newspapers while stationed in Japan with the 1st Cavalry Division." It was there he met and worked under Ed Heins, who years later was responsible for him at the Des Moines Register.

After teaching high school journalism in Webster City, Hovelson made his way back into the newspaper business by first working at the Fort Dodge Messenger, and then joining the Courier in 1960 as a general assignment reporter.

"My most unforgettable day at the Courier? Nov. 22, 1963. Wire editor Dave Seltzer and I were eating in the newsroom lunchroom. City Editor Ken Murphy burst through the door with an ashen look on his face. 'The president's been shot!' he said. Seltzer and I ripped up that day's layout and got the assassination news into all of that day's three editions. The first edition was about to run, but we got that held up until we could send down a new page one. It was the closest I ever came to the

opportunity to yell 'Stop the Presses!'"

Three years earlier, he'd been handed the Victor Fegeur trial in U.S. District Court, then located across the street in which is now the Waterloo Public Library building. Fegeur was accused of kidnapping a doctor in Dubuque, taking him across the Mississippi River and killing him. He was charged with kidnap-murder under the Lindbergh Law. His trial was switched to Waterloo because of intense pretrial publicity. Hovelson reported on every minute of the trial, including the jury's sentencing of Fegeur to death.

In 1967, his old friend Ed Heins, who was then assistant managing editor of the Des Moines Register, came calling, offering him an opportunity to open a one-reporter bureau in Waterloo. Leaving the Courier to then compete against the Courier was difficult, he recalls. "I felt like the baseball player who is traded between games of a double-header to the team he had opposed in the first game."

Over 28 years of reporting for the Waterloo Bureau, Hovelson wrote about a lot of big news events.

There were the Mark murders in Cedar Falls. "Just by luck another newsman friend of mine and I

arrived on that scene within an hour after the murders were discovered Nov. 1, 1975, (four members of a family were killed), and I was still doing stories about its aftermath the last month before I retired," he said.

He also covered the Hudson pipeline explosion that killed five in 1982, having arrived on the scene by taking a wrong route to get there and getting some powerful pictures of firefighters attempting to get to the shutoff valve to the pipeline.

He tells a great story about nabbing the first interview with hostage Kathryn Koob of Jesup, who was held in Iran for 443 days, finally being released in 1981.

She, with the other Americans who had been held, were being flown back to an air base near West Point, N.Y. The Register sent Hovelson and a photographer to West Point to try and get an interview with her.

"I thought the chances of us getting to her were slightly better than slim. Luckily, I had an old Army buddy living in the area. I called him and made arrangements to use his home and its telephone as our 'base' for this tricky assignment. On the plane ride to Washington, D.C., I wrote a note to Koob, telling her where we would

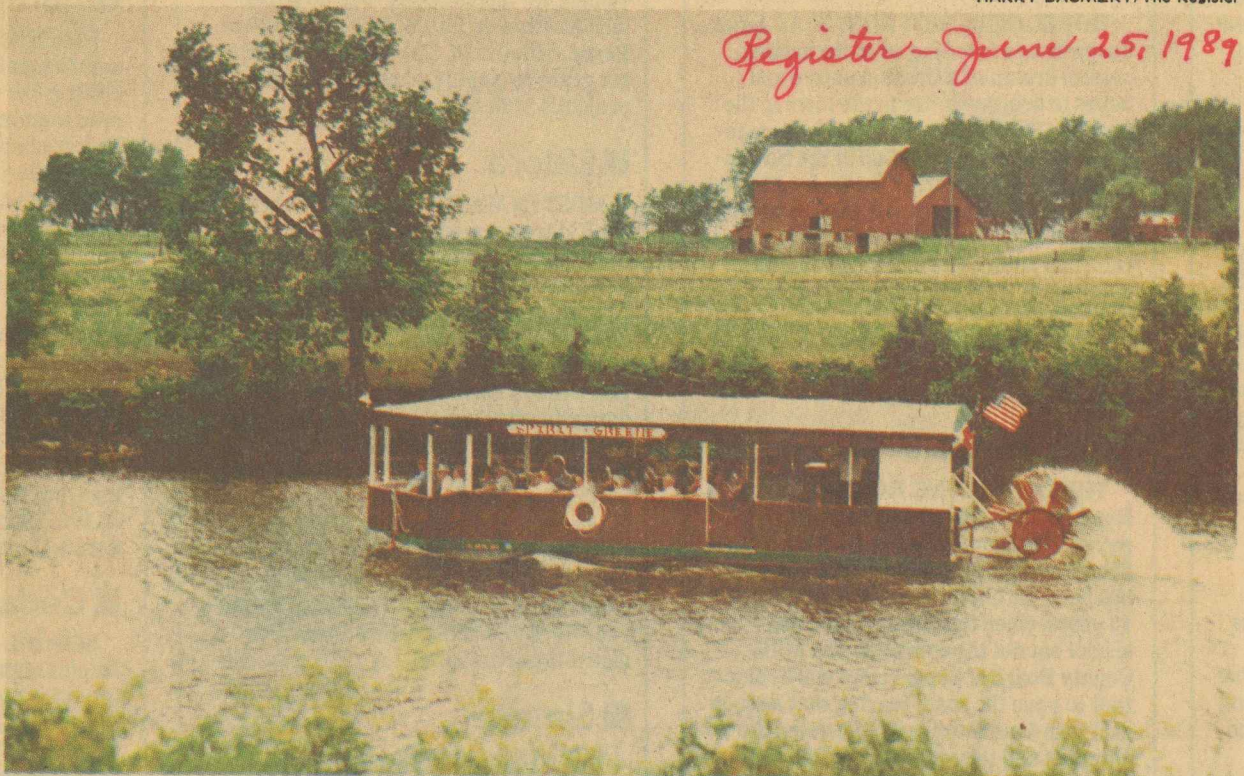
be and how to get in touch with us. I gave the note to her sister who was on the plane and who would be allowed to see Kathryn when the hostages were whisked off to the West Point military academy for safe-keeping until a meeting with President Reagan a couple of days later at the White House.

"At my friend's house the day after the hostages arrived, I got a telephone call from an Army sergeant who said he could bring Kathryn and her parents out to meet us at a restaurant in the town outside the West Point compound. The town, Highland Falls, N.Y., was crawling with news people hunting for hostages. We had to get Kathryn and parents into the restaurant and a private room (we told its employees of our mission and they were delighted to help us hide them) without our fellow vulture news people spotting them."

Everything worked out. He got the 35-minute interview and snuck her back out of the restaurant, landing the first interview of any of the Iran hospitals on their return to U.S. soil.

Hovelson and his wife, Ruth, are the parents of two daughters, Holly and Lisa, who both live in Virginia. They have three granddaughters.

— Nancy Raffensperger Newhoff
is the Courier's managing editor.

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The Spirit of Greene heads upstream with passengers, giving them a view from midstream of the Shell Rock River.

Spirit of Greene mocks naysayers

By JACK HOVELSON

Of The Register's Waterloo Bureau

GREENE, IA. — Graydon "Hunk" Anderson, Vern Echelberger and associates know what Robert Fulton felt like in 1807 when people along the Hudson River shouted "Fulton's Folly" as his steamboat chugged by.

Just as the New Yorkers ridiculed inventor Fulton's Clermont, the first river steamboat to be a commercial success, more than a few of this Butler County town's 1,332 citizens cried "folly" two years ago over the Spirit of Greene.

"We were the laughingstock of the community," Anderson said.

No more.

The Spirit of Greene is spiriting people and money into town, and naysayers are becoming believers.

The Spirit of Greene is a 40-foot-long paddleboat that

was spawned over coffee conversation and baptized with a bottle of champagne when it was launched into the Shell Rock River here.

Six days a week from mid-May to mid-October, the Spirit makes two or three nine-mile excursion trips each day on the Shell Rock, each time with up to 44 paying passengers who come from Iowa and neighboring states for the ride and a family-style meal.

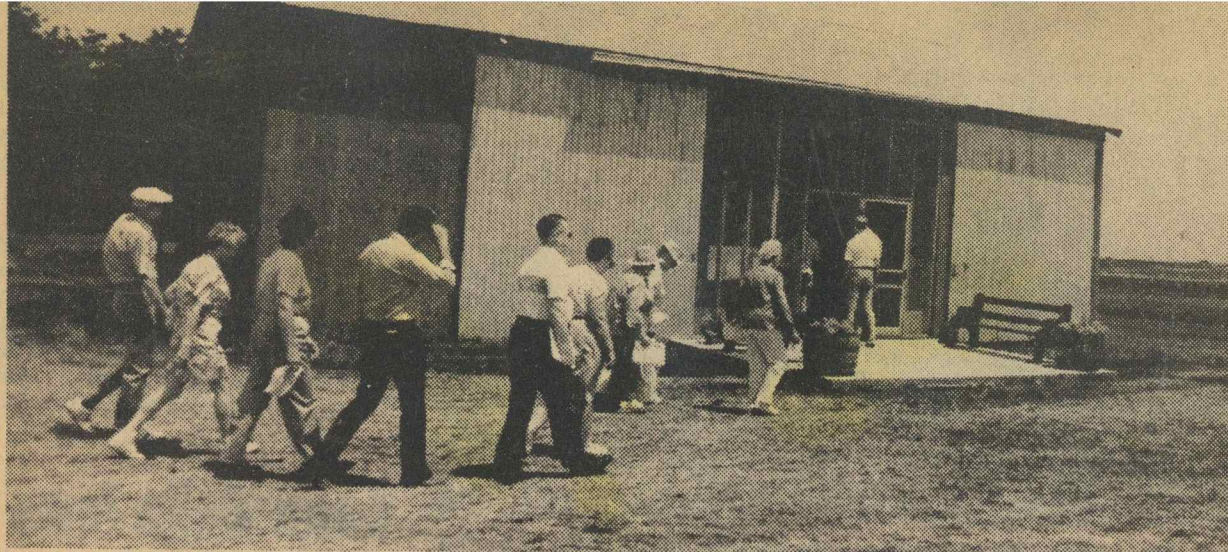
The meal is served at the Paddle Inn, a farm machine shed converted to a cafe on the east bank of the river four miles upstream from Greene.

With the ride comes a running commentary from the

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*Donny, Carl
Roy, Laura +
I went on
this trip in
1988*



Passengers file into the Paddle Inn restaurant — which was once a machine shed — 4 miles upstream from Greene.

Spirit of Greene mocks naysayers

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boat pilot — usually Dale Poppe of Greene — about the wildlife in and along the Shell Rock, the Greene golf course on the east bank, and the remains of the west bank cabin where the notorious John Dillinger reportedly holed up the night before he and his gang robbed a bank in Mason City more than 50 years ago.

Downtown in Greene, the owners of Dralle's Department Store are seeing more out-of-town customers because of the boat.

"It's not unusual for the store to take in a couple hundred more dollars a day when people come in here from the boat ride," said Keith Dralle.

A bed-and-breakfast business has emerged in Greene, and a historic stone house here has been converted into a tourist center and a gallery for local artists and crafters.

Old-timers recall that a pleasure boat plied the river here around the turn of the century. It was mentioned during a town meeting in February 1987. It came up again the next day at a regular morning coffee gathering downtown.

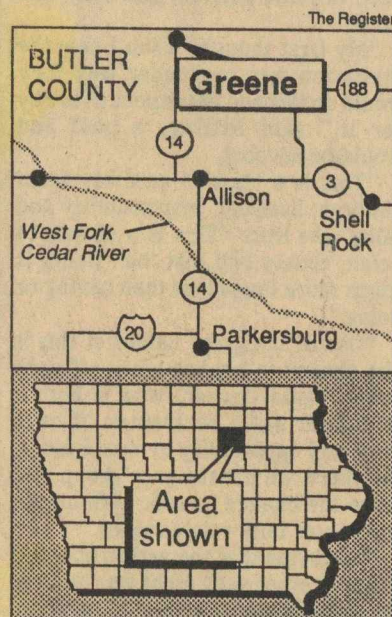
"I said, 'Let's make the town a boat.' All of them laughed, got up and left, except for one — Vern Echelberger," recalled Anderson.

"He said to me, seriously, 'Hunk, what do you mean?' I said we could build a boat for rides up and down the river, that it'd be a great thing for the town. He said, 'Let's do it.'"

The two men went to see machine-shop owner Tim Gansen. He agreed to fashion the steel hull. The steel was ordered that day.

Mike Maxson made a commitment for the wood structure on top.

Harold Kock, mechanic, was sum-



moned to install the power — a Chevrolet Nova car engine with transmission.

Farmer Gary Beek provided a trailer and tractor to haul the budding boat from shop to shop for two months as the pieces were put together. Retired farmer Arvid Lindell also helped.

A Floating Obsession

It became a floating obsession with this crew that devoted nights and weekends to the project.

"People laughed at us," Anderson recalled. "They told us the boat wouldn't float, it wouldn't be able to turn around in the river, and even if it would, no one would ride on it."

However, as the Spirit of Greene began to look more and more like a viable boat, people began jumping aboard. By the time it was launched in August 1987, the craft had become a true community project.

Anderson and friends sold the boat to the Greene Community Club for \$1. A committee, with Anderson and Echelberger in command, governs the Spirit of Greene. During its initial, shortened season, the boat carried 1,500 passengers who paid \$3 apiece for a ride.

Enter Bonnie Loomis, a tourism-oriented Greene secretary and gospel singer.

"The day I saw that boat hit the water I knew we had to have food with it," she said.

The thought stuck with her over the winter of 1987-88. She spent two months scouting the river banks for a restaurant location. A corrugated steel machine shed in an abandoned set of farm buildings four miles from town caught her eye.

Loomis and six other women, all but one from Greene, formed a partnership that leased the site and transformed the machine shed into the 55-seat Paddle Inn restaurant.

Restaurant Success

"Last year, we hoped to get 2,500 to 3,000 people to take the ride to eat at the Paddle Inn. We had 6,200," said Loomis, who manages the restaurant. "Some are saying we'll get 10,000 this year, but I'll be happy with 8,000."

Over the winter the boat was enlarged to its 44-passenger capacity from a maximum of 34. Loomis said 34 was too few to justify a chartered bus trip to Greene. Busloads now show up from as far as Austin and Mankato in Minnesota.

"Many people have told me that this restaurant in a machine shed out in the country is a crazy idea," Loomis said. "There still are a few naysayers."

The Spirit's 9 a.m. breakfast run costs \$11 a person. Lunch and dinner trips are \$15. The Commercial Club

Jack HOVELSON

Iowa boys designed their games on WW II

A half-century ago, if you were a 10- or 11-year-old kid in a tiny Iowa town, World War II was a godsend.

Little League baseball was at least a decade away. There was no swimming pool, or even a pool hall. Television? What was that? There wasn't a Boy Scout troop with-in an all-day hike.

So, those of us lads living in Whitten, Ia. — population under 200 in 1944, located 12 miles from Hardin County seat Eldora, and 18 miles from Marshalltown, the nearest "big city" — were left with World War II. We grabbed onto that glorious, glamorous, grand event and played it to the hilt.

The smoke hadn't cleared at Pearl Harbor before the wooden gun factories in Whitten woodsheds went into full production. Coping saws shaped the end sections of peach crates into rifle stocks. Broomsticks became gun barrels.

Armed to the teeth with these weapons of pine, we carried out daily assaults on all the strategic targets in town, bombarding them with fusillades of phantom bullets and suicide assaults. We "killed" each other beyond count.

I constructed the ultimate weapon — a

.50-caliber water-cooled machine gun — from a section of firewood and various lumber scraps. It was deadly, but too cumbersome and heavy to maneuver quickly into position, so it soon became Army surplus.

We called our skirmishes "playing commando," and they happened every evening in the summer, weather permitting. We didn't do war in the rain.

Behavior experts today probably would point to those childhood attack-and-kill adventures with all-knowing "tsk-tsks" and blame them for all our militancy and aggression, whatever measure of those vices we ultimately developed. We should have been playing with things soft and cuddly instead of those ominous wooden guns, I'm sure they'd say.

We knew every World War II warplane by its silhouettes — frontward, backward, sideways, top and bottom. We could recite their horsepower, firepower, speed, range and wingspan. Same for most of the guns, tanks, flamethrowers, mine detectors, helmets, mortars and warships.

Our favorite reading material was "Warplanes of the World," a pocket-size soft-cover book that we hid behind our open textbooks during study periods at school. Model warplanes fabricated from balsa wood and tissue paper rolled out of our bedroom assembly lines.

The favorite Sunday drive in the summer

— it couldn't be too far because of gasoline rationing — was to Eldora to gawk at the German prisoners of war incarcerated at the Hardin County Fairgrounds. I remember being surprised that they looked a lot like us.

That leads up to my most memorable day of World War II. Actually, there were two. One was the morning that an Army Air Force pilot from Whitten buzzed his giant B-17 bomber a few feet over the town's treetops. You could see the faces of the crew, and they were laughing.

But, the ultimate thrill came one August day when word got out that some of the German POWs at Eldora were going to be picking sweet corn at a farm a couple of miles from our town. Early that morning, Whitten's wooden gun warriors were on the move.

By the time we got to the farm, the prisoners were well into their corn-picking. We gazed from a distance, then began inching into the field, expecting at any moment to be taken captive ourselves.

We were spotted by a young Army corporal riding the back of a tractor that poked along ahead of a line of Germans walking the cornfield. Cradled in his arm was a carbine. He motioned for us to come on over. Wow!

"Wanna ride up here with me?" he asked. What a question.

We made several rounds with the chatty corporal on the tractor, towering over a dozen German POWs no more than 20 feet away. They were happy, relaxed and talkative. When one asked if he could wander over to a fence row 50 yards away to relieve himself, the guard waved for him to go.

"These guys are all from the Luftwaffe (German air force). They're happy to be here until the war's over. They're not going to run off anywhere," the corporal said.

To accent that, he said to me, "Here, want to hold the gun?" Again, what a question. I clutched that weapon for I-don't-know-how-many precious minutes. Here I am, I kept saying to myself in disbelief, 11 years old, in an Iowa cornfield, armed with a carbine, guarding German Luftwaffe prisoners of war. Ecstasy. Double Wow!

Ten years later I found myself in the Army for real. One day, a sergeant handed me a carbine and even let me fire it. Lots of times.

Somehow, that wasn't near as much fun as that day with the carbine and the German POWs in the cornfield at Whitten.

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Swollen Cedar River crests in Waterloo

By JACK HOVELSON and DEBORA WILEY

Register Staff Writers

WATERLOO, IA. — The saturated Cedar River watershed Tuesday got exactly what it didn't need. More water.

The good news was that the rain that fell Tuesday over the northeast Iowa river and its tributaries was light, sporadic and not of the flood-producing variety.

The Cedar River crested at 3 a.m. Tuesday in Waterloo at 17.3 feet, 5.3 feet above flood stage. An 18-foot crest had been predicted after torrential rain last week in upstream areas.

May Crest Thursday

The floodwaters heading downriver were expected to crest at 15 feet in Cedar Rapids Thursday morning. Flood stage is 13 feet.

Wayne Murdock, Cedar Rapids Streets and Public Improvements commissioner, said the estimate places the water level a half-foot higher than last year's floods.

"If our levy system holds, we'll be in pretty good shape," Murdock said. Sandbags have been placed around several storm sewers to prevent excess water from coming back out of sewers into the streets.

"If we get some rain, water can't get into those catch basins, so we'd have to pump water from the streets into the wells," he said. "That could be a problem if we get a bunch of rain before the crest hits."

Homes Inundated

Approximately 250 to 300 homes in Waterloo, Cedar Falls and Finchford in northwest Black Hawk County were inundated, said Gary Blair, the county's Civil Defense director,

In Waterloo, the only flooded residential area was Sherwood Park, which experiences high water so often that most of the homes there are perched on foundations that extend several feet above ground level.

"Our dike system has appeared to



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"I told him that our house always has been an unofficial disaster area, but now it's an official disaster area."

Karen Estep of New Hartford, whose house was flooded by recent rains. Her husband, Craig, is in the National Guard.

do the job that it was intended to do," Blair said.

Most of the flooded homes were in the Cedar City area of northeast Cedar Falls. Streets leading into the neighborhood were blocked. Production at the Clay Equipment Corp., a farm equipment factory in Cedar Falls, was stymied for the second day because of high water around the plant.

In New Hartford, which was hit by serious flooding over the weekend, Karen Estep was putting her house back in order.

Estep and her 10 adopted children from Korea and Costa Rica had watched Friday night as water filled their 9-foot-deep basement and crumbled part of the home's foundation. A freezer filled with food and two metal wardrobes filled with clothes were ruined.

"Another 2 inches and the water would have been on the main floor," said Estep, who single-handedly has been caring for the children since November, when her husband, Craig, was called into active service with the National Guard.

The damaged foundation caused plaster to drop in a stairway. Large hail Friday night damaged the roof and water leaked into two second-floor bedrooms. Karen Estep said the family has flood insurance.

In civilian life, Craig Estep is pilot for the Iowa State Patrol. On Sunday morning, two of his fellow troopers, William Achenbach of Cedar Falls

and Mike Gritton of Grundy Center, and Achenbach's son, Dustin, arrived to help clean up the Estep home.

"I don't know what I would have done without them," Karen Estep said.

She said she told her husband about the flood by telephone.

"I told him that our house always has been an unofficial disaster area, but now it's an official disaster area," she said.

Craig Estep, who is stationed at Fort Riley, Kan., told his wife that he expects to be deactivated and sent home in July.

Said Karen Estep: "Now that the war is over, I can handle anything. This flood was just a passing thing."

In Waterloo Tuesday, water was over the streets leading to Municipal Stadium, where the city's minor league baseball team was scheduled to play Tuesday evening. The game was postponed.

Once it fought City Hall, now town fights black eye

By JACK HOVELSON

Of The Register's Waterloo Bureau

EVANSDALE, IA. — Suppressing opinions and emotions has never been in vogue in Evansdale, a spunky, blue-collar Waterloo suburb where "fighting City Hall" may be the No. 1 sport.

It came as no surprise, then, when an attempt to establish a hospice for AIDS victims in Evansdale was met with a barrage of dissent, this time aimed not at City Hall but at the Black Hawk County Courthouse in Waterloo.

The county's board of supervisors last year purchased a duplex here and later disclosed it would be occupied by terminally ill AIDS patients. A storm of protest erupted from neighbors and other folks in town. Picketing delayed occupation of the home by its first two residents for several days earlier this month.

Last weekend, the two AIDS victims were routed from the home when fire broke out in the attached garage. Arson was listed as the cause.

That, say Evansdale citizens, including those opposed to the AIDS hospice, was too much. A City Council member who has been at the forefront of the anti-AIDS hospice forces has launched a drive to raise money for a reward for information leading to the arrest of the arsonist.

"I'm turning my efforts away from what's happened in the past toward finding the one who's given Evansdale a black eye," said Councilman Jim Glaze.

Evansdale always has borne a bit of

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a smudge in the eyes of its metropolitan neighbors, Waterloo and Cedar Falls. Much of that can be attributed to haphazard growth that was unbridled, unzoned and largely unplanned until drainage from a sheep farm and the need for fire protection spawned an official town here.

Homes had begun springing up in the early 1940s in unincorporated areas east of Waterloo. The oldest such area — established for Chicago tourists who came here to fish for walleye pike in the adjacent Cedar River — was called Casebeer Heights.

In August 1947, citizens of two housing developments petitioned for incorporation as a town. Their request was carried to District Judge William T. Evans in Waterloo by Parkersburg lawyer Dale Van Eman. The name of the new town — Evansdale — sprang from the judge's last name and the lawyer's first name.

Evansdale officially became a city in 1954.

The community always has had an air of laissez-faire about it.

Problem With Horses

Twenty years ago, when some residents complained about horses being ridden on their yards and hampering traffic on the streets, the Evansdale City Council tried to curb the animals. Horse-lovers descended on City Hall. They brought their children, who picketed the building with their parents and carried signs that said, "Horse Power" and "Councilmen, Remember the Old Gray Mare." The council got the message and toned down the horse ordinance.

Twice, the entire Evansdale police force, except the police chief, quit en masse, once because it didn't get pay raises, the other time because it was mad at the chief.

When city officials awarded a garbage pickup contract to a former City Council member nine years ago, even though his price was the highest of three bids, a group of citizens took their garbage elsewhere. They parked a donated garbage truck in a driveway and invited people to use it and boycott the city garbage service.

Pet Crow

Animals have gotten lots of attention in Evansdale. A pet crow got into trouble when it began swooping down at children at play or on their way to school. Cage it or we'll shoot it, police told the owner.

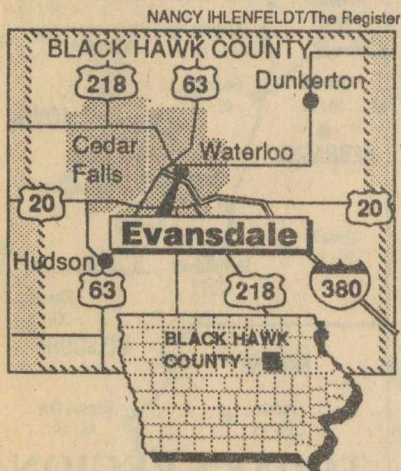
Three years ago, neighbors pro-



Councilman Jim Glaze has launched a drive to find who's responsible for the arson fire



This is the sign in the front yard of George and Loraine Atkins' house, two doors away from Evansdale's AIDS hospice.



tested when a couple acquired a pair of cougars as pets and kept them outside in a fenced area.

An uproar over a proposed ordinance to ban the animals went on for months.

Sometimes City Hall fights back. Bridal showers were banned in the building in 1972 when officials realized that women would have to enter the police department to get to their restroom. The mayor was concerned that "some pretty rough characters" sometimes are in the police station and the language can get pretty bad.

Many Calls

Evansdale Mayor Charles Vondracek said he has received calls from many citizens upset over the fire at the AIDS hospice. "They're upset because it's giving Evansdale a bad name," he said.

Police Chief Richard Lamb said the incident "may make it look like we've got the KKK here. We don't."

Loraine Atkins, who lives two houses away from the hospice and is strongly opposed to it, said, "I'm not happy about what's happened."

She said, however, that she is not convinced the fire was started by someone opposed to the facility.

"So many things about it look suspicious," she said. "It could've been paint thinner that started it. They'd been painting at the house. The door to the garage wasn't even locked. I get the feeling that somebody may be trying to make us look like bad people."

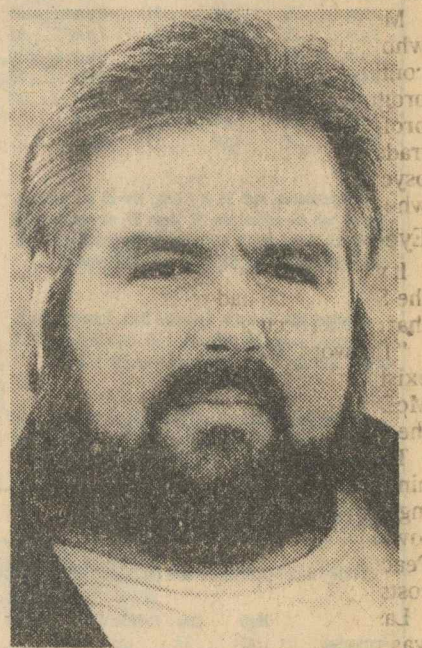
She said that she and her family have received anonymous threatening calls. "One man screamed at us over the phone and threatened to come down and 'shoot' us with his needle," she said.

"I'm getting tired of Evansdale people being made to look like they're violent people who aren't compassionate," Atkins said. "Our argument isn't with the people who have AIDS, it's with the people who are making them live in that house. That's the cruel thing."

Prime Target

A prime target of the AIDS hospice opponents has been Rachael Fulton, a Black Hawk County supervisor and wife of former Lt. Gov. Robert Fulton. She was chairwoman of the board of supervisors when it decided to establish the hospice.

"We've had a lot of support for it," Fulton said. "I got a call after the fire from a man who wanted to help financially. I told him we could use motion detector security lights on the house. He told me to send him the specifica-



Jim Glaze
Wants arsonist arrested

tions and he would see that they're installed."

She and fellow Supervisor Carroll Hayes, both Democrats, are up for re-election this year. Evansdale is a strongly Democratic town, but there are strong indications that Fulton and Hayes will get few Evansdale votes because of the hospice issue.

The controversy already has delivered five political knockouts. The incumbent Evansdale mayor and four council members were ousted in last November's election because voters thought they cooperated with county officials in locating the hospice here.



George Hinshaw, a Wartburg professor, gazes at his bride, Ioana Gheorghiu, at their wedding in Bucharest.

Iowan marries amid revolution

After days of gunfire, pair is wed in a changed Romania

By JACK HOVELSON

Of The Register's Waterloo Bureau

WAVERLY, IA. — It took a revolution to culminate the pen-pal romance of a Wartburg College professor and his new wife from Romania.

Physics professor George Hinshaw, 38, and Ioana Gheorghiu, 26, were married the afternoon of Jan. 5 in battle-scarred downtown Bucharest, Romania. Two hours later, Hinshaw was on a plane, headed back to his classroom in Waverly. His wife waits in Romania for the documents that will bring her to Iowa.

Theirs was a 20-month long-distance courtship, at times cloaked in secrecy, often snarled in bureaucratic red tape and Communist Party ambushes, but finally sealed in marriage in the wake of gunfire that virtually imprisoned them for days in the Bucharest apartment of Gheorghiu's parents.

"We were told that we were the first couple to be married after all the restrictions on Romanians mar-

rying foreigners were lifted after the revolution," Hinshaw said last week.

Their story began in early 1988 when Hinshaw was working on his doctorate degree at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Ohio. A Romanian student friend at Case Western urged Hinshaw to write to her friend, Gheorghiu, then a medical school student in Bucharest.

"We exchanged letters," Hinshaw recalled. "At first I didn't think too much of her letters. But when my friend interpreted some of what Ioana was saying it became clear, from reading between the lines, that she was interested in establishing a relationship."

His friend at Case Western also persuaded him to go to Romania in the summer of 1988 to meet Gheorghiu. That was to be a bit of a trick, in that direct conversations between native Romanians and Americans in Romania were illegal under the regime of Nicola Ceausescu.

"I had to use my friend's aunt as a go-between whe

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George Hinshaw took this photo of battle-scarred downtown Bucharest, Romania, where he was married.

Iowan marries amid revolution

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I got there, but she was never home when I tried to call her from my hotel in Bucharest," Hinshaw said.

A hotel maid who became obliging when Hinshaw agreed to sell her some blue jeans and cigarettes weaved through the Romanian bureaucracy to find a telephone number for Gheorghiu. He called her, and they met face-to-face a half-hour later.

A trip that had an inauspicious beginning — "I was mixed up, tired and people weren't nice to me. ... The hotel people were awful," Hinshaw said — ended a dozen days later with the prospect of marriage.

"We had to wait until she received her diploma from her medical school," he said. "She feared that if she applied before then to marry an American, she would be sent after finishing school to some remote village where she would have no communication with the outside."

Gheorghiu received her diploma in September 1988. Hinshaw was back in Romania for Christmas that year, and the couple submitted a marriage application to the Romanian government. They were told that approval would take 12 to 18 months and that it would be three months beyond that before Gheorghiu could get a passport.

"Demeaned Her"

Said Hinshaw, "She had to appear before two commissions. The first meeting was to be removed from the Communist Party, which she was forced to join when she was in medical school. The people on the commissions demeaned her and tried to discourage her from going through with the marriage."

Hinshaw came to Wartburg in the fall of 1988 as an assistant professor of physics. Two children, ages 11 and 13, from a previous marriage live with him here.

In mid-1989, he made his third trip to Romania. On Dec. 15 he went again.

"I sensed something was in the

"I sensed something was in the wind when I got to Bucharest in December."

—George Hinshaw

ceMBER," he said. "The guards were nice. As it turned out, I was in about the last group of foreigners to get into the country before the borders were sealed for a week."

About To Happen

Most of the week before Christmas in Bucharest was tranquil, said Hinshaw, who was staying illegally with Gheorghiu and her parents. By Dec. 20, however, they began seeing army patrols in the streets, and it was obvious something was about to happen as Ceausescu returned to the country after a trip to Iran.

Fighting broke out the next day.

"We were caught in the middle of a revolution," he said. "We were in Ioana's parents' second-floor apartment. We felt vulnerable. We blocked the doors because we didn't know how strong the army was or if it could control the terrorists who backed Ceausescu."

Throughout the ordeal, night and day, they were tuned into television and radio to learn what was happening on the streets outside the apartment. Hinshaw occasionally would venture out on a balcony, always hearing gunfire.

"We stayed inside all that time. We were afraid of being imprisoned or killed," he said.

Army Prevailed

By Sunday, Christmas Eve, the Romanian army prevailed and people began venturing out.

Hinshaw was scheduled to fly out of Bucharest Jan. 3. On Dec. 31, it was announced on television that Romanians no longer needed governmental approval to marry foreigners. Hinshaw's flight, like all others out of Bu-

was due back in the classroom Jan. 4.

On Jan. 3, he and Gheorghiu spent the day wading through red tape at the Bucharest marriage bureau. A carton of American cigarettes strategically given to "the marriage man" expedited the procedure. The wedding was scheduled for Jan. 5.

"We went to see the 'marriage man' at 9:30 a.m. Jan. 5. He showed up after 11. I had to leave for the airport at 3 p.m., and I also needed to go to the U.S. Embassy to sign a paper," Hinshaw said.

He arrived at the embassy to find all the American officials out of the building. Romanian staff members weren't authorized to witness his signature. Finally, an American vice-consul returned.

"He happened to be from Iowa, but I don't remember his name or the town he was from," Hinshaw said.

Then there was a wedding and brief reception before Hinshaw headed for the airport. He arrived in Waverly late Jan. 7.

His wife's arrival time remains unknown. Members of Iowa's congressional delegation are trying to get it speeded up.

Violence is way of life for troubled Belfast

By JACK HOVELSON



Frankly, I was a bit disappointed when the evening train from Dublin rolled all the way into Belfast's main railroad station. Often, recently, the trains from the Republic of Ireland in the south had been halted a few miles short of Belfast because agents of the provisional Irish Republican

Army had blown up the tracks. On this day, the last Sunday in July, the rail line had been cleared at mid-afternoon and I feared I was to be denied a taste of the troubles of Northern Ireland. Within the next 18 hours my whetted appetite was to be satiated.

I had looked forward to a trip to Belfast ever since my daughter and her husband, Dan Resler, had moved to Limerick, Ireland four years ago. Belfast, indeed, is a fascinating and troubled city; a town where Catholics and Protestants work, shop and go to school side-by-side, but live apart under a common pall of violence and disruption.

In the 1970s, Belfast, the capital of the British empire's toehold on the Emerald Isle, was a bloodbath week after week as Protestant and Catholic militants traded acts of violence. These days, Belfast, by comparison, is a more livable place, but hardly so by Iowa standards. British soldiers in camouflage clothing stalk the streets, automatic weapons cradled in their arms. They also ride armored cars through residential neighborhoods to accentuate their presence, and overhead their eyes scan the city from helicopters that emit a constant "thump-thump" reminder of their presence.

The British military presence is detested by the Catholic IRA, welcomed by the Protestants, the ruling majority in Northern Ireland. Shoving the English off the island is the IRA's goal. They're trying to do it guerrilla-warfare style with bombings that disrupt life but, by design, don't take it or maim it.

A friend of Dan's offered to give us an auto tour of the city. A Protestant in his mid-30s, he's a native of Belfast. We'll call him John Andrews. "There are some parts of Belfast where I wouldn't feel comfortable, so I don't think I'll drive in there," Andrews apologized.

We said we understood, knowing that a car breakdown for a Protestant in a Catholic neighborhood — or vice versa — can be a traumatic, even dangerous, experience.

Yet, as we passed a hospital ringed with coiled barbed wire and neared an intersection with Falls Road, Andrews impulsively turned left into Andersontown, a tough, brick row house Catholic neighborhood.

"I've lived all my life in Belfast and never been here before," Andrews blurted out. Was this cheeky act — a well-dressed Protestant driving a late-model auto into a working-class Catholic neighborhood — done to impress the visiting American newspaperman? I didn't ask.



Child plays in hulk of truck bombed during funeral of Belfast youth killed last week.

Dan did ask Andrews if he was nervous.

"Yes," he replied, his voice quick and his eyes darting from side to side as we approached the Catholic cemetery where a funeral last year for three IRA terrorist suspects killed by British troops in Gibraltar was interrupted by gunfire and grenades. Three mourners died in the attack by a man identified as "a freelance loyalist paramilitary."

Three days later two British soldiers were killed when they blundered into an IRA funeral procession, were dragged from their car and beaten to death by the crowd.

IRA slogans and political graffiti adorn brick walls along the streets in this area. In the next neighborhood, however, red, white and blue pennants and British flags dangle from ropes strung across the Protestant street. "No Pope Here" is scrawled in white paint on a building. Andrews relaxes in this setting, stopping the car for photo opportunities.

Suddenly, a plume of heavy black smoke rises over downtown Belfast a few blocks away. We head in that direction.

In the downtown — called "city centre" in Ireland — traffic was snarled and we were halted. I got out of the car and threaded my way through vehicles to a storefront where employees were sweeping broken window glass off the sidewalk.

Obviously, a bomb had gone off nearby.

The IRA had hijacked a laundry van, placed a 1,000-pound bomb inside and drove the van into what was believed to be one of the most secure areas in Belfast — the street in front of the High Courts building. Across from the courts building is the city's main fire station.

Thirty-five minutes before the bomb went off, the IRA telephoned a Belfast radio station with a warning of the impending explosion. Authorities were barely able to evacuate the area before the blast.

The IRA has been careful to avoid harming people for fear of losing sympathizers. To dis-

Tragic anniversary

THIS PAST week marked the 20th anniversary of British troop occupation of Northern Ireland. Already, a 15-year-old Catholic boy has been killed in Belfast by a rubber bullet fired by British army during what the Brits said was a "riot" in a Catholic neighborhood. Jack Hovelson of The Register's Waterloo bureau recently spent some time in the troubled city of Belfast.

tinguish its warnings from hoax calls the IRA uses special code words when contacting news organizations to warn of bombs.

No one was injured in the Belfast blast, one of the larger explosions the city has experienced recently, but three people were treated for shock. The blast ripped apart and burned 14 nearby cars and shattered windows for several blocks. The exterior of the courts building was blackened and damage was extensive.

Smoke was still wafting through the streets when I got as close as possible, a police line a block from the blast site. British army units, Northern Ireland security forces and police were on the scene.

I suspected I shouldn't do it but I snapped some pictures anyway. British troops don't like to be photographed because it might make them identifiable to the IRA.

My supposition was correct. As I turned to leave, a very large Belfast cop headed for me. He's going for my film, I feared, as I tried without success to outflank him. In seconds he was staring me in the face.

In polite but firm tones he told me I needed permission to take pictures in such a sensitive place, and I had neglected to do that. I apolo-

gized and said I wasn't aware of that.

I think it was my American accent and dumb tourist demeanor that saved my film. The officer let me and my camera go.

Back in the car with Dan and Andrews, we headed out of the city centre but soon were stopped as a walking patrol of British soldiers, their automatic weapons in a ready position, approached in a staggered formation. They walked slowly through each of the three lanes of traffic, peering into every auto and the eyes of those inside.

In newspaper interviews, IRA spokesmen have said their bombings of rail lines and government buildings have lured British troops from their heavily fortified bunkers and "brought home the existence of the war situation in the North of Ireland."

From last September through July, bombings of the Belfast-Dublin rail line caused 31 train stoppages and closed the line a total of 53 days. The IRA claims it could "blow the line to smithereens," blast bridges and block roads if necessary. Even more ominous was the report in Irish newspapers the day of the Belfast bombing that the IRA had tested hand-held surface-to-air (SAM) missiles in Northern Ireland. That could give the terrorist organization the capability of knocking British helicopters out of the sky over Belfast.

The Belfast bomb went off at mid-morning. By early afternoon the Belfast Telegraph newspaper was on the streets with a blaring headline, "Courts Blasted by IRA Van Bomb," a 20-inch story and a front-page photo of the scene. A pretty good piece of newspapering, I thought. Meanwhile, outside the cordoned-off area around the blast area, the Belfast city centre teemed with shoppers in a misty rain. To be sure, the bomb was the topic of conversation in nearly every shop, but it didn't seem to be a deterrent to the business of the day.

A new shopping center is under construction a stone's throw away from the bomb-blackened courts building. Before leaving us downtown, Andrews told us that foreign firms that had avoided Belfast for years because of the troubles now are flocking in, believing that the city has good business potential.

The costs of merchandise in Northern Ireland generally are significantly lower than in the Republic of Ireland. Dan purchased in downtown Belfast a tricycle for his 2-year-old at less than half the price being charged for the same item in Limerick.

With trike in hand, we bid goodbye to exciting downtown Belfast and headed for the main rail station and our 3 p.m. train to Dublin.

But, wait. Train riders were being ushered into buses. We had to ride one for 15 miles to a small town outside Belfast where we finally were put aboard a train.

The IRA had bombed the tracks during the night, three hours after we'd ridden over the spot on our trip from Dublin to Belfast.

New Hartford Blacksmith Plies Trade for 53 Years

1963
By JACK HOVELSON
Courier Staff Writer

NEW HARTFORD — No chestnut tree ever spread its limbs over Duffy Thompson's blacksmith shop here.

Even if it had, it probably could not have outlived the

shop, now in its 75th year of operation.

Marks 53rd Year

Thompson (his real first name

is Viggo but everyone prefers Duffy and so does he) is one of the remaining few of the fast-

vanishing stock of old-time blacksmiths.

Last Oct. 29, he marked his 53rd year in the same shop that was built 75 years ago by his father, Sever Thompson.

Although 73-years-old himself, Thompson has no intention of closing down the weather-beaten building where horses once lined up daily to get their new shoes.

"My wife has been after me to retire.

"I was off work for a time in April when I was sick for a spell. But the doctor told me I'd be better off if I went back to work," says Thompson.

Each day he fires up the same forge that his father installed when the shop building was constructed.

Still Keeps Busy

Although the methods have changed, there still is a lot of blacksmith work to be done, Thompson contends.

He occupies much of his time welding, mostly with electric and acetylene torches now, rather than the original method of welding in the forge.

Thompson still forge-welds plowshare points, however, claiming its a better method than welding them with electric torches, the most common method these days.

Three Shops Once

Thompson's father, a native of Denmark, died 39 years ago.

"When I started working for him here, there were three blacksmith shops and two wagon shops in New Hartford.

"We had enough work for four men at times in our shop. We put on as many as a hundred horseshoes in one day.

"I never got hurt once by a horse," Thompson claims.

Used Extra Help

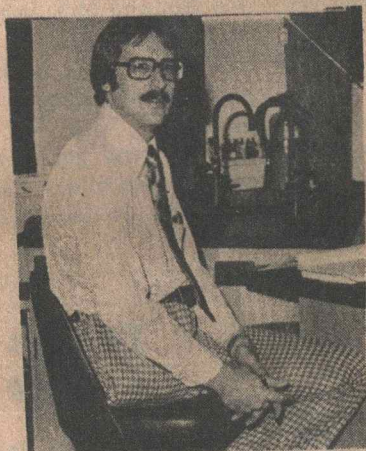
After his father died and Thompson took over the business, he would from time to time hire a man to help him in the shop.

It now has been many years since he has had extra help.

"No one is learning this trade anymore," says Thompson. "The blacksmith is on the way out."

1979 Parkersburg

THE HAWK REVIEW



On Sunday, October 28, Dave Goedken's battle with cancer ended. His funeral was held on Tuesday, October 30, in Lamont, Iowa.

Dave taught high school science in New Hartford for four years. During two of those years he underwent four surgeries and continuous chemotherapy treatments at Rochester. He became an inspiration to all those around him, as his spirit and enthusiasm were definitely contagious. He touched the lives of many in his 27 years of life, and we will remember him for years to come.

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David Goedken

CEDAR FALLS—Services for David Goedken, 27, of 700 W. Ridgeway Road, will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Lamont with burial in St. Albert's Cemetery in Lamont. A Scripture rosary will be 8 p.m. Monday at Fawcett Funeral Home in Lamont.

Mr. Goedken, a former Lamont resident, died Sunday morning at Grinnell Memorial Hospital in Grinnell of cancer.

He was born Jan. 21, 1952, at Oelwein, the son of Norbert and Julieta Lentz Goedken of Lamont. He married Jerilynn Clark on June 1, 1974, at Grinnell. He was



David Goedken

a substitute teacher in the Waterloo Community Schools and then taught high school science at New Hartford for four years.

His New Hartford students spearheaded a community-wide fundraiser, "A Day for Dave," last spring to offset his medical costs.

Survivors include his wife; his parents of Lamont; two brothers, Gary of Lamont and Charles of New Hampton; a sister, Cheryl, at home; his paternal grandmother, Caroline Goedken of Lamont; his maternal grandfather, Francis Lenz of Lamont; and his maternal great-grandmother, Catherine Steffen of Luxemburg.

Jack H.

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Estes helps his progeny

Cape Town, South Africa — As Simon Estes came flying in one day last week to this gorgeous city where he would star in three opera galas, he glanced down from the airplane "and I could barely believe my eyes," he said.

What shocked Estes were the shantytowns that in recent years have sprung up along both sides of the main highway to the airport. There are several other of these "squatters' camps" elsewhere around Capetown.

Officials here have said they are not sure how many people live in the ramshackle communities, perhaps a million or two. The population of Cape Town itself is 2.4 million.

Estes being Estes, when he had a Friday afternoon off from his concert schedule, he walked among those shacks, visited the terribly crowded schools nearby and said the living conditions were "the worst I've ever seen anywhere."

The primitive homes are made with everything from scrap lumber to cardboard to bamboo sticks tied together. They generally have no running water, no toilets and no electricity. Portable toilets have been set up on the periphery.

Like Concentration Camps

Stark, towering streetlights placed every quarter-mile or so make the places look almost like concentration camps at night. A government sign in front of one of the settlements says, "Estes at your service."

VIETNAMESE NEW YEAR

Tet a time to renew, rejoice and recall

The dragon dance portends growth and prosperity in the year of the boar.

By **FRANK BOWERS**

REGISTER STAFF WRITER

In Vietnamese tradition, the strength of the economy corresponds to the gyrations of the Tet dragon dance.

Call your broker.

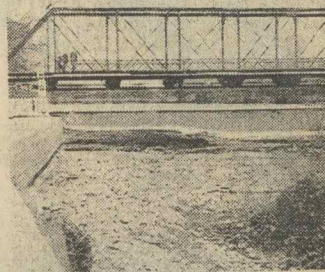
"The dragon symbolizes power in Vietnam," said Hoa Nguyen, a leader among Des Moines residents of Vietnamese descent. "If the dragon moves strongly, the nation's economy will be strong."

Three Vietnamese teen-agers Saturday propelled a plastic and fabric beast in a herky-jerky, twisting performance that guarantees solid growth and low unemployment in the year ahead. For Vietnamese, anyway.

The 10 minutes of controlled madness were the centerpiece of a celebration of Tet — the lunar New Year — at the streamer- and balloon-festooned Model City Community Center on Des Moines' north side. For the record: This is the year of the boar.

The observance combined joy and solemnity for about 1,000 Vietnamese residents of the area.

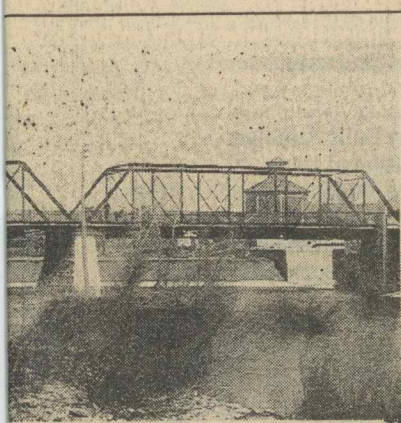
It opened with the American and Vietnamese national anthems and a candle-lighting remembrance ceremony. Also on the agenda were food, a fashion parade, speeches by politicians and community leaders, and songs — including a ditty called "Who Was Bombing Hanoi in 1967."



A copy of an old postcard showing where a lynch mob hanged

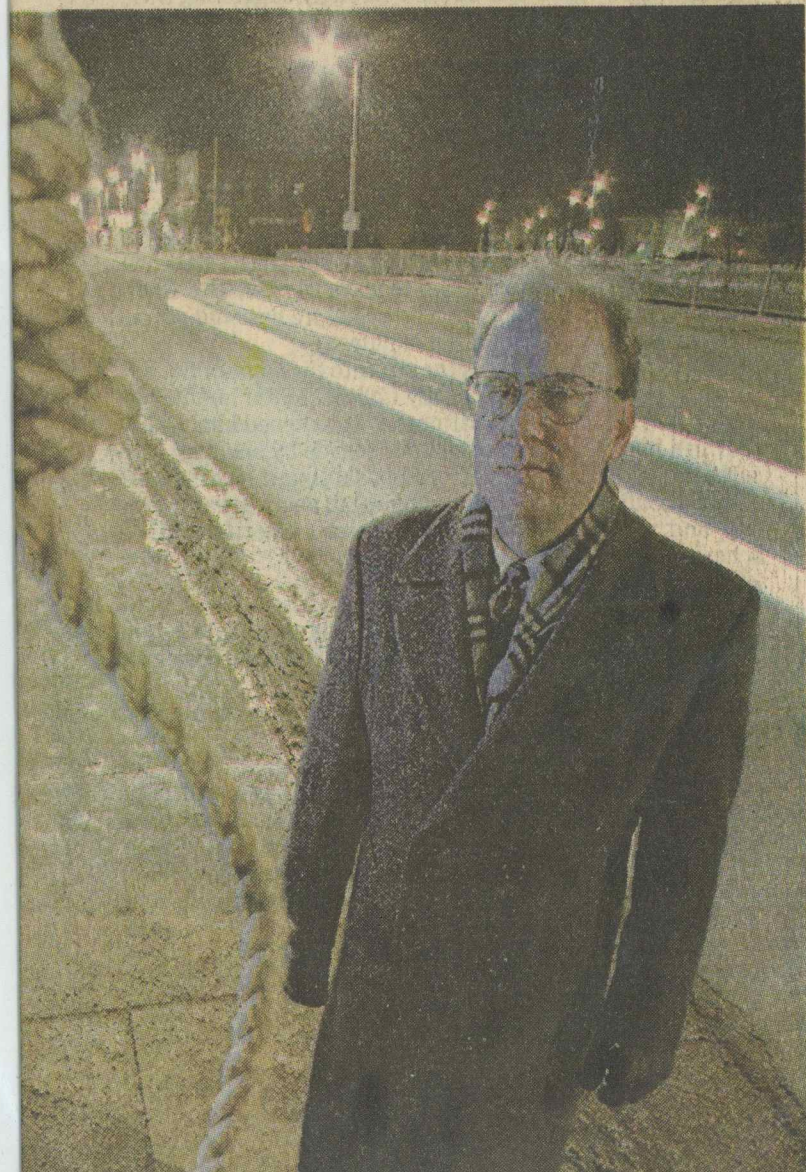


NEWS



SPECIAL TO THE REGISTER
shows the bridge in Charles City
and James Cullen in January 1907.

*Through the
bitterly cold
night the body
dangled from
the bridge
girder, twisting
in the wind.*



The pros and cons of death penalty

About 40 Iowans speak out
at a special hearing on a
proposal to reinstate
capital punishment.

By JONATHAN ROOS
REGISTER STAFF WRITER

Relatives of murder victims
shared their pain.

Members of the clergy quoted
Bible verses and gave their inter-
pretation of the commandment
"Thou shalt not kill."

Legal experts debated whether
the death sentence deters violent
crime.

About 40 Iowans got the chance
Saturday afternoon to share their
views on a proposed state law to
reinstate the death penalty, which
the Legislature repealed 30 years
ago.

A statewide audience, watching
either on cable television or from
19 sites connected to the state fi-
ber-optic network, witnessed the
historic public hearing.

Took Turns

Capital punishment supporters
and opponents took turns. They
had about three minutes each to
give their opinions as state law-
makers listened.

Daniel Daggett Sr. of Guthrie
Center said executing criminals
could spare other families the grief
and suffering that his family expe-
rienced after his granddaughter,
Nicole Daggett, was raped and
slain 2½ years ago.

"Instead of giving her a birthday
present and making her a birthday
cake like we had planned, we
buried her," the day after she

Grave digging:

Grass is "the beautiful uncut hair of graves."

— Walt Whitman

By JENNIFER JACOBS

Courier Staff Writer

CEDAR FALLS

Martha Melendy so loved her home that she requested that she be buried in the backyard under the ash tree.

When she died of chronic ailments in 1867, her husband, Peter, obeyed her wishes. Historical accounts say her walnut casket was lowered into the ground in the shade of the drooping ash near the grape arbor on the north side of their property at 1107 Washington St. in Cedar Falls.

When modern-day Cedar Falls resident Ruth Hovelson read about this in a 1943 biographical book about Peter Melendy by Luella Wright, it tweaked her interest.

"For sure she was buried there in her yard on Washington Street," Hovelson said. "But the question is, where is she now? Is she beside Peter or is she still in that yard?"

Such was the mystery.

Hovelson kept digging — figuratively, not literally — until she found enough answers to satisfy her own curiosity.

When informed of the conundrum, Brian Collins, director of the Cedar Falls Historical Society, speculated, "(Martha) is probably still down there somewhere in the backyard. ... Or she may have been excavated accidentally and nobody noticed. Unless we find some sort of cemetery record, there's no way of knowing."

Many cemetery records from that era, however, are either vague or non-existent.

Playing sleuth

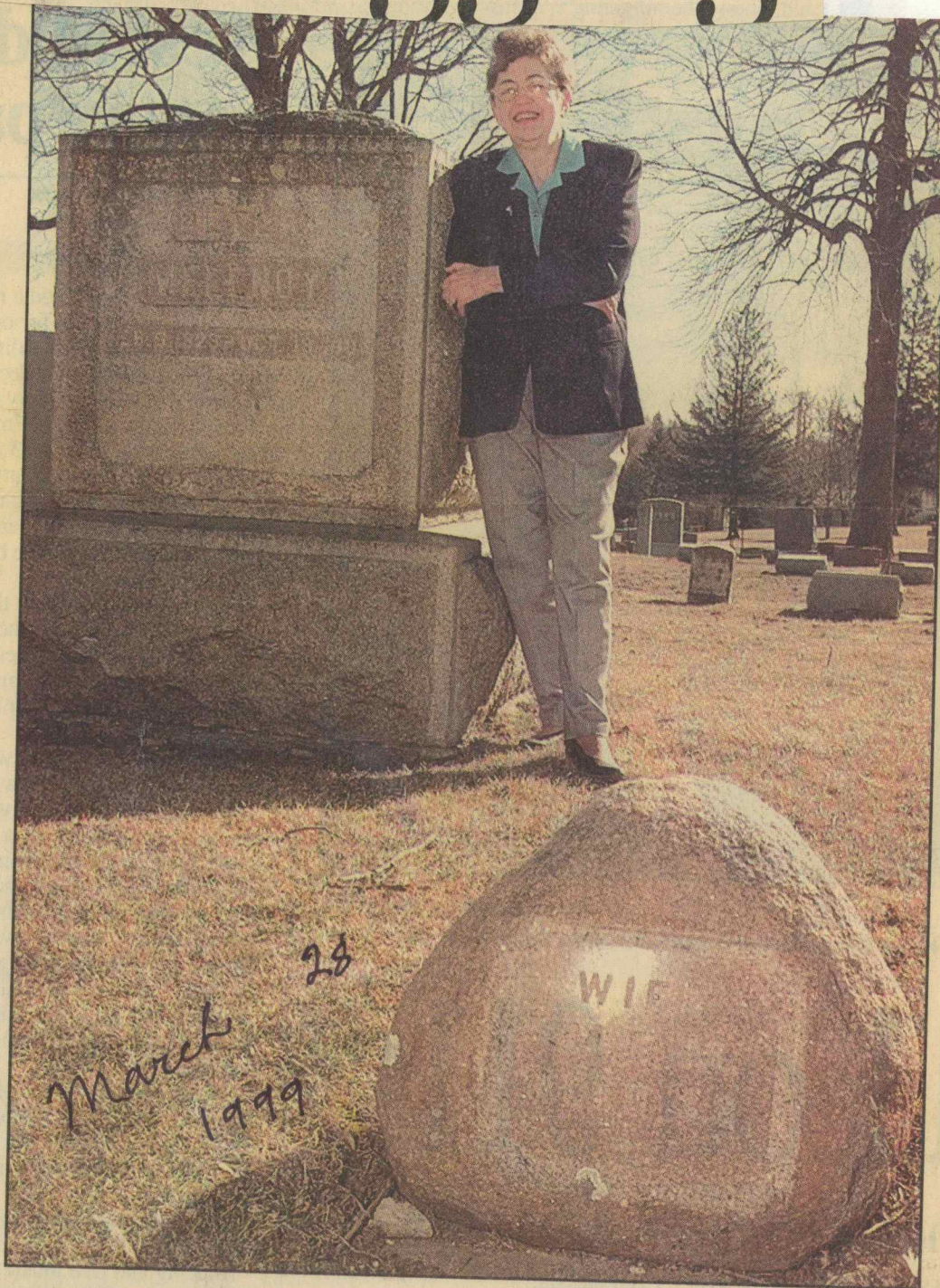
Hovelson was gathering facts for a presentation on memorable Cedar Falls houses for a local philanthropic organization when she crossed Martha Melendy's intriguing story. So she kept reading.

"I was playing reporter like my husband," joked Hovelson, in reference to retired Des Moines Register writer Jack Hovelson.

Peter Melendy was one of Cedar Falls' founding fathers. According to historian Herb Hake, he earned money selling farm implements, but devoted most of his time to community and state improvements.

Melendy played a role in engineering Cedar Falls as a "lawn city," in securing a newspaper by persuading some Wisconsin printers to found the Gazette, organizing a public library, and leading railroad lines through town.

He was a pillar in the Presbyterian church and a strong influence at the Orphan's Home. He also helped obtain land for Iowa State University



GREG BROWN / Courier Staff Photographer

Amateur sleuth Ruth Hovelson stumbled onto a mystery involving a Victorian-era woman buried in the backyard of a historic Cedar Falls house. Here, she leans against the tombstone of Peter Melendy. But just who is buried beneath the small stone in the foreground?

ty in Ames.

He married Martha Coddington in 1846. The Coddingtons were a distinguished Cincinnati family who traced their ancestry to the Puritans. Martha's grandfather was a judge in Staten Island, N.Y., and her great-grandfather immigrated to the U.S. from England in 1628.

Martha was frail and sickly for years, according to Wright. One of her illnesses was "a seri-

ous disease of the heart." One summer, she told her daughter, Etta, about her desire to be buried near the family.

"The sacred place to her, on earth, was her home," preached the Rev. D. Russell at Martha's funeral. "There were her heart's treasures — there the confidence, the affection, the esteem, the loving endearments, which in her estimation made her home on Earth."

Wright's book details how Martha and her father planted Martha's favorite rosebushes at the head and foot of her grave. And one account said Peter Melendy was the first person in town to buy a lawn mower to trim his section of the Lawn City.

Sifting through clues

Some puzzling information came forth during Hovelson's research.

For one thing, Peter Melendy's house at 1107 Washington, she learned, was built in 1876. But Martha had died nine years earlier in 1867. Was the backyard burial a false report?

More digging revealed that Peter had built a smaller story-and-a-half house at the same site in 1859. The family lived there for 17 years before it was moved to the corner of 20th and Franklin streets. That house is possibly the one at the address of 404 W. 20th.

Martha had been buried at 1107 Washington, but she never lived in the existing house. Hovelson scanned the backyard there, but didn't see a grave marker. She did note that the house has an addition off the back and a newer garage.

"I thought, 'If she's still there, she got covered over.'"

The owners of the 1876 house on that property, Carol and Albert Gilgen, have found depressed areas in the grass, but no solid evidence of a grave. Grape vines still grow near the stone wall, but there is no longer an ash tree on the property.

If Martha Melendy was still entombed in the yard, the Gilgens wouldn't mind her as a neighbor. "It's really not unusual," Carol said. "In England, Princess Diana is buried on her estate."

Historical references state that after Martha's death, Peter in 1868 married Mary Woolson McFarland, daughter of Sen. Theron Woolson of Mount Pleasant. Mary had been married before and widowed when Col. Samuel McFarland died in 1862.

Peter and Mary lived together in the house at 1107 Washington, as well as another down the street later in life. Melendy died at age 78 in 1901 and is buried at Fairview Cemetery.

Hovelson trekked off to Fairview to check out Peter's grave, marked with a giant, rough-hewn stone. But alas, only one wife is there. It's cryptically marked "Wife - M.F.M. - Aged 38."

"These ladies in the mid-1800s didn't even get a first name," Hovelson lamented. "And Martha and Mary have the same first initial."

So could this grave be the final resting place for Peter's second wife, Mary? If so, did that mean his first wife, Martha, is to this day six feet under in a yard on Washington Street?

Martha's birthdate is not clear. Some refer-

West Middle School honors past with party

By STACY HICK
COURT REPORTER

Start from
the Past

The future of West Middle may be cloudy this spring, but for one last weekend in April the building that has nurtured students for decades of education will have a joyous day.

West Middle's "Start from the Past" celebration is April 25 and 26. Former students and teachers who attended at the building are invited to come back for a building reunion.

"For a former graduate this is a great opportunity to see other classmates and share memories," said Bonnie Smith-Davis, publicity chairwoman and a teacher at West Middle, 1115 W. Fifth St.

For some the celebration will even be a family affair, Smith-Davis said.

"We have some students with parents and grandparents who went to

A number of schools are open for the building celebration of the building at 1115 W. Fifth St. It has been West High, West Junior High, West Intermediate and West Middle School for 77 years.

Students of the 1940s and 1950s are invited to come back for a building reunion. The building was built during the World War for West Middle School with connection to the celebration some middle of

Watsonville and San Jose. Questions can be directed through email at the address given. Tickets can be obtained by calling West Middle School at 761-1222 or at Greenwood Mall on April 9-10 and 11, 1992.

GRAVE

Middle name provides
clue to mystery

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ences Hovelson found say she was 34 when she died, others say 39. And city cemetery records don't confirm who is buried at the Melendy plot.

But back at the Historical Society, Collins tripped upon a clue. Actually, it was one key word: Fleming.

Martha's middle name was Fleming. Martha Fleming Coddington Melendy is presumably the M.F.M.

buried at Fairview Cemetery next to Peter. Mary A. Melendy died at over 90 years of age in 1929, outliving Peter by 28 years.

Finally the mystery was solved. (The Gilgens, incidentally, had long ago sniffed out much of the same evidence Hovelson unearthed.)

Papers in Etta Melendy's scrapbook indicate that Martha's remains were transferred to Fairview when Peter's beloved uncle, John, died in 1968. John Melendy had lived out the last years of his life in Martha and Peter's home, and is buried next to Peter.

"But," Hovelson said with a laugh, "where's Mary? We still have a missing body."

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Loan to National Cattle Congress could be extended

By TIM JARVIS
COURT REPORTER

tion was undergoing a bankruptcy reorganization at the time and needed money to pay its utility bills, insurance premiums and other costs required to remain in business.

Hovelson-Richards

CEDAR FALLS — Lisa Hovelson and Randy Richards exchanged wedding vows Feb. 27 in Phoenix.

Parents of the couple are Jack and Ruth Hovelson of Cedar Falls, and Don and Marge Richards of Sun City West, Ariz., formerly of Waterloo.

The 5 p.m. outdoor ceremony was performed at Stonecreek Golf Club.

Maid of honor for her sister was Holly Resler of Richmond, Va. Junior bridesmaids were Meghan Resler of Richmond, niece of the bride; and Lindsey Fratzke of Glendale, Ariz., niece of the groom.

Best man was Steve Miles of Waterloo. Groomsman was Mike Greene of Phoenix. Junior groomsman was Sean Fratzke of Glendale, nephew of the groom.

Flower girl was Kalene Resler of Richmond, niece of the bride. Ring bearer was Derek Peterson of Des Moines, nephew of the groom.

Seating guests were Matt Long and Ted Groom, both of Phoenix.



Lisa and Randy Richards

The bride is a legal consultant and attorney, and her husband is a personnel specialist for Loudoun County Public Schools.

The couple reside in Sterling, Va.



**Mr. and Mrs. Hovelson
1956**



**Mr. and Mrs. Hovelson
2006**

Hovelson/50

CEDAR FALLS — Jack and Ruth Hovelson will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary July 30 with an open house from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Georgian Lounge in the Commons at the University of Northern Iowa.

Jack Hovelson and Ruth Vial were married July 29, 1956, at the Methodist Church in Laurens.

Mr. Hovelson retired from the Des Moines Register, where he was a news reporter for 28 years. He previously was a reporter and edi-

tor at the Waterloo Courier and Fort Dodge Messenger. Mrs. Hovelson was an elementary school teacher at Alta and Orange Township. Both are UNI (Iowa State Teachers College) graduates.

Hosting the event will be their daughters, Holly and Don Smith of Richmond, Va., and Lisa and Randy Richards of Surprise, Ariz. They have three granddaughters, Meghan and Kalene Resler of Richmond, and Lexi of Surprise.

Cards may be sent to 824 Hudson Road, Cedar Falls 50613. The couple request no gifts.



Dinsdale school hack

School bus added to Historical Society collection

CEDAR FALLS — The Cedar Falls Historical Society has added a Dinsdale horse-drawn school hack (bus) to the collection at the Ice House Museum.

Found in 1960 by Cleo Howard on the Vern DauSchmidt farm, it was stored by Howard until 1987 when he and Dora Howard donated it to the

Society. It has been under extensive restoration at Jerald Sulky Co., by Kim Syhlman, an employee of the Society. Employees of the Sulky Company have done painting and upholstery.

Wheels were rebuilt at Stutzman Buggy Shop in Hazleton, and the hand-lettered sign was made by Dan-

ny Dean.

Bill Card, owner of Jerald Sulky, provided much of the material.

Those familiar with this form of transportation may share that information with the Society, to be included in a book.

The Ice House is open Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday from 2 to 4:30 p.m. through October.

Near shady wall a rose once grew,
 Budded and blossomed
 in God's free light,
 Watered and fed by morning dew,
 Shedding its sweetness day and night.

As it grew and blossomed fair and tall,
 Slowly rising to loftier height,
 It came to a crevice in the wall
 Through which there shone
 a beam of light.

Onward it crept with added strength
 With never a thought of fear or pride,
 It followed the light
 through the crevice's length
 And unfolded itself on the other side.

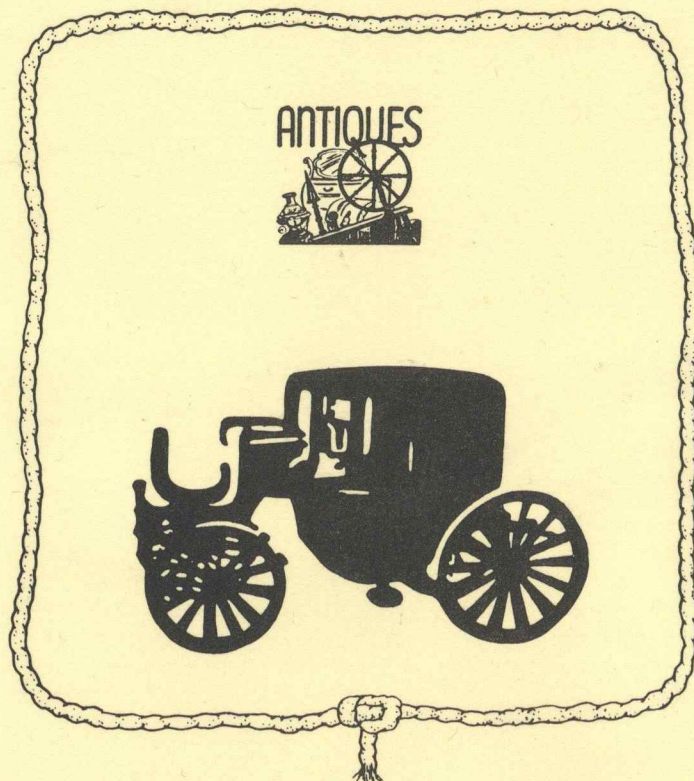
The light, the dew, the broadening view
 Were found the same as they were before,
 And it lost itself in beauties new,
 Breathing its fragrance more and more.

Shall claim of death cause us to grieve
 And make our courage faint and fall?
 Nay! Let us faith and hope receive —
 The rose still grows beyond the wall,

Scattering fragrance far and wide
 Just as it did in days of yore,
 Just as it did on the other side,
 Just as it will forevermore.

*From the Writings of
 A.L. Frink*

In Memory



L. Cleo Howard

Lewis Cleo Howard was born September 23, 1905, on the family farm in Ringgold County, Iowa, the son of Hattie and Ora (Palmer) Howard. He married Dora Randolph January 18, 1931, in Baldwin Park, California. Cleo attended the University of Northern Iowa for four years. He participated in the first Northeast Iowa Track and Field Meet which has subsequently become the Dickenson Relays. Cleo was Past Master of Beaver Lodge #472 A.F. & A.M. New Hartford; a member for 56 years of First United Methodist Church, Cedar Falls; a Charter member of Antique Acres Board of Directors; a member of both the Cedar Falls and the Iowa State Historical Societies; and was instrumental in helping with and donating to many of the exhibits at the Ice House Museum. Cleo is survived by his wife of Cedar Falls, Iowa; a son, Allen P. Howard of Lorimor, Iowa; two daughters, Virginia J. Raybould of Santee, California; Linda M. Bohr of Cedar Falls; 8 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. Cleo entered into rest on Saturday, March 31, 1990, at the farm in rural Dike, Iowa. He was preceded in death by a sister Daisy Gashel.

SERVICES

Wednesday, April 4, 1990
 1:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
 Cedar Falls, Iowa

OFFICIATING

Rev. Keith L. Scott

ORGANIST

Mrs. Nancy Hogancamp

SOLOIST

Mr. Jeff Brich

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Lester Artherholt	George Brown
Marvin Calvert	Russell Congdon
Vernon Mottinger	Gordon Porter

Albert Stephenson

CASKET BEARERS

R.W. Smith	Dan Steele
Richard Congdon	Bruce Howard
Don Methfessel	Herluf Prostine

INTERMENT

Fairview Cemetery
 Cedar Falls, Iowa

Friends are invited to return to the church following the service at the grave for refreshment.

Richardson service
 Cedar Falls, Iowa

DIKE — **Allen P. Howard**, 60, of Lorimor, formerly of Dike, died Wednesday, May 21, at home of cancer; **survivors** include his wife, Karen; a son, Bruce of Lorimor; a daughter, Cindy Smith of Adel; a grandchild; his mother, Dora Howard of Cedar Falls; and two sisters, Virginia Raybould of San Diego and Linda Bohr of Cedar Falls; he was **preceded in death** by his father, Cleo Howard; and a granddaughter; **services** were Friday at Powers Funeral Home, Afton, with burial in Winterset Cemetery, Winterset; **memorials** may be directed to Union County 4-H Foundation; Mr. Howard was a farmer.

formerly of rural Dike, died Saturday, March 31, at his farm of a heart attack.

He was born Sept. 23, 1905, in Ringgold County, son of Hattie and Ora Palmer Howard. He married Dora Randolph on Jan. 18, 1931, in Baldwin Park, Calif.

He attended the University of Northern Iowa for four years. Until retiring in 1966, he farmed for 34 years in the Dike and Cedar Falls area. He was past master of Beaver Lodge 472, Masonic Lodge.

He was one of the people instrumental in setting up the Cedar Falls Historical Society Ice House Museum and had donated numerous historical items to the museum.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Allen P. of Lorimor; two daughters, Virginia J. Raybould of Santee, Calif., and Linda M. Bohr of Cedar Falls; and eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; he was preceded in death by a sister, Daisy Gashel.

Services will be 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at First United Methodist Church, with burial in Fairview Cemetery.

Friends may call from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday and 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday at Richardson Funeral Home, where the family will receive friends from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesday. Visitation at the church will be an hour before services.

Memorials may be made to the church or Ice House Museum.



L. Cleo Howard

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1991

Auction-lover's treasures to go on auction block

By **ELIZABETH BLOOM**
Courier Staff Writer

STOUT — Linda Bohr thinks one of her father's friends put it best.

"He said, 'This,'" she said, surveying the long rows of rusted farm machinery, "'is another man's field of dreams.'"

Dike-area farmer Cleo Howard was not so much a collector as a hunter. He loved searching auctions for bargains, putting in the final bid on odds and ends that others overlooked, Bohr said.

A serious antique dealer would have turned that talent into big profit. But Howard could barely bear to give up anything he had amassed in 40 years of gathering. A doll buggy Bohr asked him to dispose of is still in one of the barns.

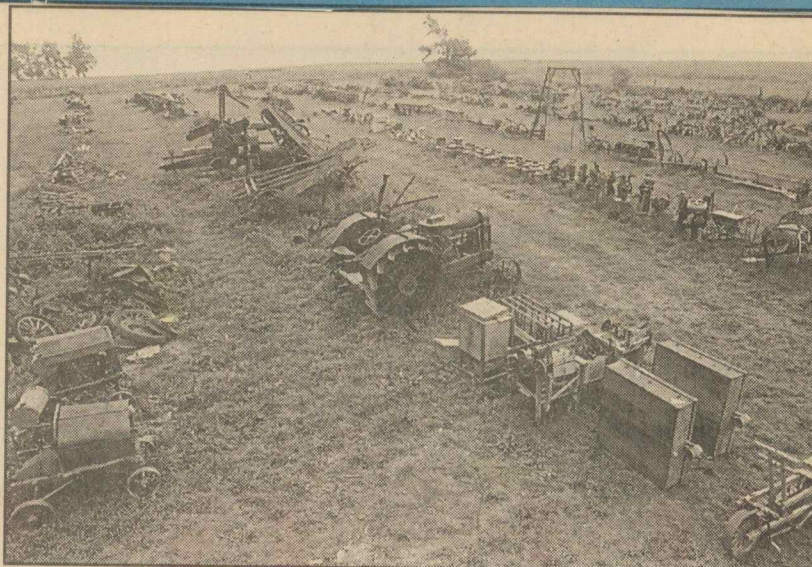
"Daddy could never focus — he loved everything," Bohr said. "That was one of his problems — he didn't focus and collect one thing ... the adventure was the auctions."

Ultimately, only his death in March 1990 at age 84 forced Howard to part with his collection. He may not even have known how much he left behind.

But his family now does — a mind-boggling mixture of decades-old butter churns and cider presses, wooden plows and mowers, tractors and horse hitches, rows of children's runner sleds.

"He loved Iowa farming, the history of it, the changes in it," Bohr said.

In all, two acres of the Howard farm is covered with hundreds of antique farm implements and assort-



GREG BROWN/Courier staff photographer

Long rows of antique farm equipment wait to be auctioned off at the Cleo Howard farm north of Dike Saturday. Howard, who died in March 1990, was an avid collector for about 40 years.

ed bits from the past. All will be auctioned off Saturday at the Howards' former home on County Road D-17 and T-55 four miles north of Dike.

Not all of it is farm-related. Some of the more unusual items include two sandstone sculptures, thought to be from a cemetery; a fold-out embalmer's table and a leather bag full of mortician's tools for home preparation of the dead; and three red velvet seats thought to be from the Regency Theater in Cedar Falls.

No one is quite sure what amount of money the auction will generate for Howard's widow, Dora, and the family. A hearse they sold at last year's Waverly Horse sale went for \$10,000, but it had been stored indoors.

"A lot of it of it was not inside, and it's deteriorating," Bohr said. "It needs to be sold to someone who can

clean up those items."

One thing is certain — word of the collection is getting around. A man from New York called just long enough to ask what the nearest airport was to Dike. A Canadian antique collector is expected. Thursday, a man was scoping out what kind of buggy seats the collection had.

The auction will begin at 9 a.m. and is expected to conclude by 7 p.m. One auctioneer will sell off the larger machines, while another will work with the smaller items.

Though she pressed him to sell off the collection when he was alive, Bohr does have some reluctance about the auction now that her father is gone.

"It isn't that I don't feel there's a part of Dad (in the collection)," she said, "but it has to be done."

LARGE ANTIQUE AUCTION

To settle the estate, we will sell the following at public auction on the farm located from DIKE, 4 miles north on Blacktop T55 and ¼ mile west on Blacktop D17, or from NEW HARTFORD, 4 miles south on Blacktop T55 and ¼ mile west on Blacktop D17, on

SATURDAY, SEPT. 14

Starting time: 9 a.m. — Lunch on grounds

1926 Hart-Parr Model 1630 tractor, on steel, Serial No. 25379 (engine is loose) — square cement mixer.

HORSE DRAWN EQUIPMENT AND RELATED ITEMS

IH stationary hay baler; IH corn sheller on gas engine trucks; corn chopper on gas engine trucks; corn shredder; horse ambulance wagon, needs restored; horse drawn manure spreader; 2 high wheel broadcast seeders; 6 broadcast seeders; 10 corn planters; 11 sulky plows; 2-way plow; gang plow; 3 bottom 14" plow with clutch lift; 3—2-bottom tractor plows; 2—1-row stalk cutters; 2-row stalk cutter; 11 disks; 5 hay rakes; corn picker; 32—1-row cultivators (at last count); 3 disk cultivators; 2 row cultivator; 2 row surface cultivator; 3 harrow carts; 2 slip scrapers; homemade horse drawn sprayer; 6 mowers; 2 hay tedders; 2 JD and Dane hay loaders; 2 dump rakes; 2 corn binders; 3 grain binders; 2 wood corn shredders; 2 corn shellers; 2 tower pulverizers; 3 potato planters; 2 horse powers; 3 manure spreaders; 2 potato diggers; saw mandrel; cable stump puller; speed jacks; many walking plows and walking cultivators; wood hand corn shellers; ear corn choppers; hand grinders; belt-driven feed grinders; separator drive belt guide; large belt drive stone grinder; large bobsled; several endgate seeders; numerous hay forks of all kinds; many haymow hay carriers; many steel wheels of all kinds; Simplicity gas garden tractor (new in the late '40s) with sickle mower; cultivator and disk attachments; belt-driven log saw; several piles of iron; pile of copper; lots of copper ground wire for lighting rods; pile of brass; large pile of wire; large pile of tin; cement posts and cement post forms; lots of old reel-type push lawnmowers.

CAR PARTS AND RAILROAD CAR — 2 Model T engine power units; many old car lights, horns, steering wheels, radiators, wheels, fenders, wheel covers, other parts; Model T windshields; many license plates starting at 1914; several auto toolboxes; gas engine parts; large gas engine trucks; 2-wheel railroad hand car.

HOME SAWED LUMBER — Big pile of walnut; pile of oak; pile of cedar.

CAST-IRON ITEMS — Approx. 12 cast-iron seats, Morgan, Canton, Bonanza, Union; 40 to 50 cast-iron toolboxes, Defiance, Plano, Malta, Acme, Kingman, Deere, McCormick, Canton, Stiers, some with lids, and all shapes and sizes; approx. 6 cast-iron planter boxes; 2 Rock Island; 2 Deere and Mansur, Champion, Farmers Friend; 2 pair of wood planter lids, one pair are Hayes; several cast-iron planter markers; several cast-iron grain drill ends; 3 cast-iron kettles; several cast-iron heating stoves.

MANY MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS — 2 hand carved sandstone figures; many old pictures and frames, one of Litchfield manure spreader, one Birdsell farm wagon, one New Continental No. 6 mower, and many others; old magazines, many Carriage Journals, many Shetland Pony Journals, many Draft Horse Journals, many Palimpsest, and other old books; old school desks; many bells of all kinds; many barn lanterns and railroad lanterns; some crock jars and jugs; several brass fire hose nozzles; embalming table and kit; several butter churns and churn parts; many milk and cream cans; several cream separators and old dairy equip.; several wood and metal washing machines; several old telephones and telephone parts; several old metal spoked coaster wagon wheels; many ear corn dryers; many country store items; wood tools and carpenter tools; Blacksmith tools; tire shrinkers; sickle grinder; numerous homemade custom tools; many lightning rods and balls; many carriage and buggy lamps, steps, and parts; buggy and cutter cushions; many different kinds of saws and saw blades; many cobbler tools and equip.; all kinds of sleds and ice skates; many water pumps, cast-iron and wood, and wood casings; many more items not listed.

TERMS: Cash or good check. Nothing to be removed until settled for. Not responsible for accidents or theft. Bid using the number system and have proper ID.

NOTE: This is a very large sale and we will be selling from 2 rings all day. So, come prepared to spend the day. There are a lot of old and unusual items on this sale, something for everyone. Anyone interested, don't miss this sale.

Owners: L. C. Howard Estate

Phone: 319-266-8189—Joe Bohr, or 515-763-2580—Allen Howard

Auctioneers: Bill Dean, Dave White, Ron Dean, Waverly Clerk: Waverly Sales Co.

WATERLOO CEDAR FALLS COURIER TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1999

CEDAR FALLS — Dora Howard, 90, of Cedar Falls, died at the Western Home Sunday, Nov. 21, of natural causes.

She was born Jan. 14, 1909, in Billings, Mont., daughter of George and Hattie McDougal Randolph. She married Cleo Howard on Jan. 18, 1931, in Baldwin Park, Calif. He died March 31, 1990.

Mrs. Howard and her husband farmed in rural Dike. She was past president of United Methodist Women, the Farm Bureau Women and the Cedar Falls Women's Club.

Survived by: two daughters, Virginia J. Raybould of Santee, Calif., and Linda M. Bohr of Cedar Falls; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Preceded in death by: a son, Allen P.; and a great-granddaughter.

Services: 4 p.m. Wednesday at First United Methodist Church, with burial in Fairview Cemetery. Friends may call from 1 to 7 p.m. today at Richardson Funeral Home, with family present from 3 to 5 p.m. Visitation also from 2 p.m. until services Wednesday at the church.

Memorials: may be directed to the church, the Western Home or Cedar Falls Women's Club.



Dora Howard



GOLDEN MEMORIES



The following story is an excerpt from "Down The Country Roads", written by Edna Fleming for the Cedar Falls Historical Society after they acquired the No. 2 School Hack from Cleo and Dora Howard. The Hack was originally a part of the fleet of hacks from Dinsdale Consolidated School. Dinsdale is located in northern Tama County. For the complete book "Down The Country Roads" call the Cedar Falls Historical Society at (319) 277-8817.

Following several decades of elementary education in one-room rural schools, there came a period of consolidating rural districts into one central K-12 unit. This happened to the Dinsdale village school and surrounding school districts, 1921. The school population came from five districts of Grant Township and most of three districts in western Buckingham Township. The total area population was said to be about 300.

Geographically, the district encompasses 29 sections of rich, fertile land. Near the center of the consolidated district was/is the unincorporated village of

the Orange Consolidated School which they used as a model.

Cleo Howard was a student in a class taught by Macy Campbell. Professor Campbell, a strong advocate for consolidation of rural schools, used his book, "Rural Life At The Crossroads", for the course. Cleo recalls that Professor Campbell strongly believed that consolidated schools would improve rural life as well as give students a better education. And he also believed that it was essential to the consolidated school to have public transportation to carry students the longer distances from their homes. Most of the one-room school houses had been considered walking distance for their students.

The building site selected was on the east side of Dinsdale at a cost of \$500. A three-story brick structure was completed in 1921 at a cost of \$125,000. Years later, remodeling and a gymnasium were added to the original 1921 building.

graduates continually increased, even into the 1960's when Dinsdale felt forced to merge with the North Tama Community School District.

School enrollment, K-12, perhaps never exceeded 150, and one year the total number of pupils in high school was only 30. Despite its small size, Dinsdale Consolidated School always seemed energized with pride and vigor. That dates to the very earliest years, even though transportation to the centralized unit at that time was difficult and time-consuming.

TRANSPORTATION

The mode of travel to school in the 1920's was primarily by horse-drawn hack. Dinsdale's small fleet of hacks, six or seven

In early autumn, the hacks were described as unbearably hot and dusty. During mild seasons ventilation came through the driver's open private door at the front left, and through the open back door. Some buses had ventilation holes over the frame of the back door with a panel for closing.

The bus windows on each side, four, five or six in number, depending on bus size, were often grimy with dust, or spattered with spin-off mud from the wheels. If in front, the mud on the windows was kicked up from the horses' hoofs.

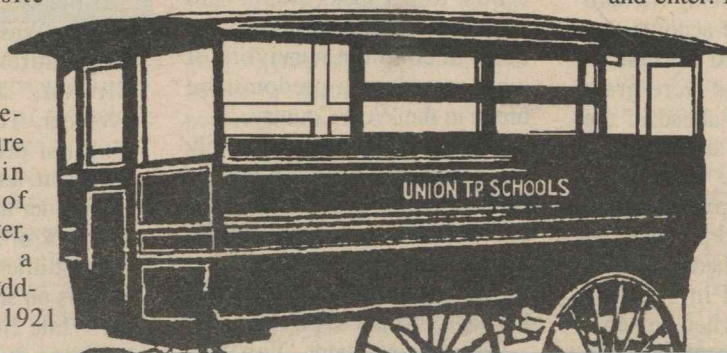
Entering the bus was a simple procedure. (No red lights then or extending bus arm to stop traffic.) Simply elevate one's self to the one-step platform, then lift and enter. If tall, stoop. Pupils

were expected to move toward the front of the bus in the order that they entered. Problem children were usually separated from each other, often by putting them between older boys — or seating

the memories. Laughter, tears, arguments, mending friendships, storytelling, and the gamut in conversation found expression there. It provided a "forum" of sorts.

Most importantly, however, was the vital link and role that these hacks provided and played in helping to advance the flow of the district's education. The hacks made possible a consolidated school in that which was almost a totally rural area. Many students then and later received an education that led them to higher callings.

Memories of this writer for first-day activities at the new Dinsdale Consolidated School are vivid even though they occurred 68 years ago. There were a few spectators who watched the first arrival of the horse-drawn hacks. Drivers backed their vehicles to the landing at the front of the school, pupils unloaded and then walked two stretches of sidewalk and climbed two flights of steps, before entering the building. The situation was so new, so untried in the village that no child chose to race that first morning and be first to enter the "brand new brick schoolhouse"



Dinsdale which gave the school district its name. The village population was perhaps never larger than 100 from the time of its platting in 1891 by James Dinsdale, founder.

The first talk of consolidation came in 1915. It was the inspiration and dream of the village banker, Carl Blockwitz. Due to opposition by a number of the larger landowners, the initial vote for consolidation in 1915 failed. Two years later, a second vote failed, but by less margin. A majority approved the third vote, 1919.

A board of directors was then elected and organized. Those first directors were: James T. Fleming from the village; William Philp from the east; Abe Reid from the southwest; Henry Dau-Schmidt from the north; and Hugh Turner, also from the southwest. Carl Blockwitz was secretary-treasurer.

The directors went to Macy Campbell, head of the Department of Rural Education at Iowa State Teachers College, for advice. They also consulted with the board of

In addition to the brick structure, two other buildings stood on school ground. One was the much-used 1894 Grant No. 6 school, of frame construction, converted into a house for the custodian. The second building on the premise was a barn which came to have varied uses, including that of garage.

Dinsdale Consolidated School graduated its first class in 1924, those students beginning as sophomores and attending three years only. The first four-year high school class graduated in 1925. Previous to these early graduations, the area's secondary students graduated at Reinbeck, Traer, or some other secondary school where they had been tuitioned.

Three hundred eighty-five graduates received diplomas from Dinsdale Consolidated School during its existence, 1921-1963. The average size of graduating class was 9.6, except for the year 1946 when there were no graduates.

By decades, the number of



A standard school wagon, 1920's

in number, were black in color with red running gears. The name DINSDALE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL was plainly printed on each side of the bus in what was then described as an old-gold color. Bus numbers were placed on the door at the rear of each bus. Inside the bus were two long, padded bench seats, black in color, with pupils sitting so as to face each other. Six or eight pupils could sit comfortably on one side, with assorted lunch pails stowed under their seats.

Riders in those hacks remember them to be drafty and cold in winter. It is said that the windows never were intended to close tightly at the top in order to provide ventilation.

The Orange Consolidated School had a cast-iron stove below the floor of the bus with a register. The vent pipe went up the outside of the bus.

Boys of seating them near the driver. Girls seldom sat at the back of the bus where the elements of weather would soil their clothes.

The back wheels of the bus had small knobs on their metal rims to help prevent sliding when traveling on ice. The front wheels, somewhat smaller, had no knobs. In the freezing days of winter, ice was always a threat, and deep, rutty roads had to be endured but were abhorred.

During the rainy and thawing season of spring, bus drivers drove over planks, rip-rapped, in the slough area south of Dinsdale. Some pupils remember when even the best of horses, sometimes four, were not equal to pulling a full hack load under difficult conditions, thusly students walked a "stretch".

When snow was deep on roads which had not yet been cleared, drivers would occasionally take their vehicles through open fields. Quite frequently drivers substituted sleds for hacks and drove right over fences. Long gone are those horse-drawn hack days – but not

After school, several more spectators arrived to see the hacks neatly parked at the landing, and in the numerical order of their routes. Some drivers arrived early and there was a bit of good-natured bantering about varied subjects. Then the dismissal bell sounded and students marched out to victrola music, descending the steps and down the stretches of sidewalk. Sighting their buses, the pupils scrambled here and there, right and left, shouting exclamations of – whatever. When all were loaded, drivers slapped the reins with a cry of "gitty-up" and all pulled away. Two hacks went north – the others went south, and then eventually east or west.

Classes were over – but not yet the school day, for now the drivers took over. Important as the drivers were, we now reflect on them as being unsung heroes of their kind. Their major concern had to be safety, and we don't recall that there was ever a newsmaking accident that occurred because of Dinsdale hacks or buses. □

Iowa's Golden Age wants to hear about your Golden Memories and will use them in future issues of Iowa's Golden Age. To submit your story, please send it to Golden Memories, Iowa's Golden Age, P.O. Box 155, Grundy Center, IA 50638-0155.

MELVIN H. HOWARD

Melvin Howard of 31775 Terrace Ave., New Hartford, was born the son of James and Ethel Evenson Howard in Cedar Falls, Iowa on September 19, 1920. Melvin was raised in Cedar Falls and received his education from Finchford High School where he graduated in 1939. He was a veteran of W.W. II. Melvin saw action in Europe and Africa in the U.S. Army Air Corps as Tail Gunner with the 446th Bomb group and survived after being shot down twice.

On March 19, 1953 Melvin was united in marriage with Jeanette Heise in Waverly, Iowa. Melvin and Jeanette's first home was in Cedar Falls for seven years. Then they moved to their present home of 37 years in New Hartford, Iowa. Melvin was a machinist at Viking Pump in Cedar Falls, Iowa, until 1982, retiring after 37 1/2 years. Melvin also worked part-time at Roy Weikert's DX gas station in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Melvin was a member of the Society of Bombardiers.

On December 9, 1996, around 6:00 p.m., Melvin died at his home of congestive heart failure. He had reached the age of 76 years, 2 months and 20 days. Melvin was preceded in death by his parents; and one brother James Howard, Jr.

Melvin is survived by his wife, Jeanette Howard of New Hartford, IA; two sons Kenneth E. Howard of Monroe, MI and Melvin Ray Howard, of Cedar Falls, IA; two step-sons Herman M. Reininga of Cedar Rapids, IA, and Jack Reininga

of New Hartford, IA; two step-grandsons, who Melvin raised as sons, Robert and Jeffrey Smith; one daughter Melody Ann Kirk of Iowa Falls, IA; one step-daughter, Virginia Beach of Parkersburg, IA; two sisters Eileen Simpson of Omaha, NE. and "Tootie" Webrand of Cedar Falls, IA; one brother Lester Howard; 13 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, December 12, 1996 in the Schwartz Funeral Home in Parkersburg, Iowa, with Charles Layton of the First United Methodist Church of New Hartford officiating. The hymns were "What A Friend We Have In Jesus" and "Amazing Grace". The honorary casketbearer was Ronald D. Smith. Casketbearers were Kenneth Howard, Melvin Ray Howard, Jack Reininga, Jeffrey B. Smith, Robert J. Smith, and Raymond Kirk. Interment was in the Beaver Grove Cemetery of New Hartford, Iowa.

Schwartz Funeral Home in Parkersburg, Iowa was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Huberg/25

NEW HARTFORD — Gary and Janice Huberg will observe their 25th wedding anniversary Monday. They celebrated with a trip to California in June.

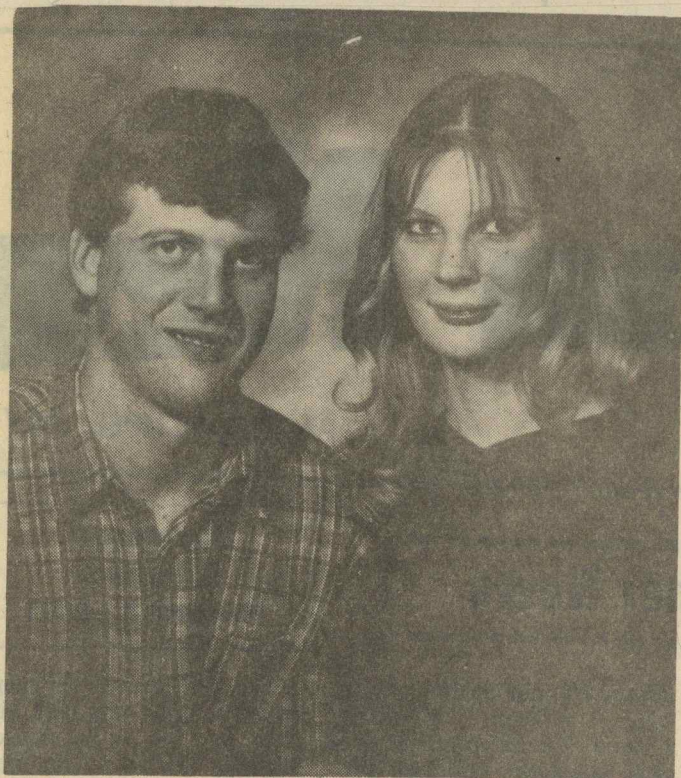
Mr. Huberg and Janice Dewey were married July 6, 1973, in Cedar Falls.

Mr. Huberg is a machinist with John Deere, Waterloo, and Mrs. Huberg is a secretary at Iowa Hoist & Crane Inc.

Their family includes Trina Huberg of Berkeley, Calif., and Jay Huberg and his fiancée, Crystal Brocka. There is one grandchild.



Mr. and Mrs. Huberg



BROCKA-HUBERG ENGAGEMENT

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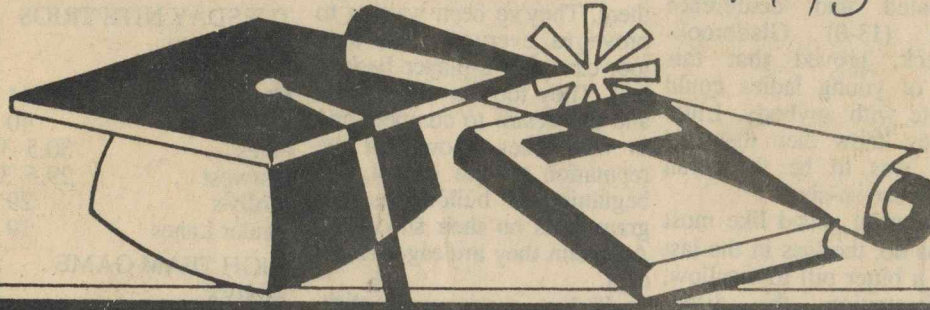
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The bride-elect is employed at McDonald's in Waverly, and her fiancé is employed at Unverferth Mfg.

Vows are planned for 5 p.m. September 12 at Bristow Church of Christ.

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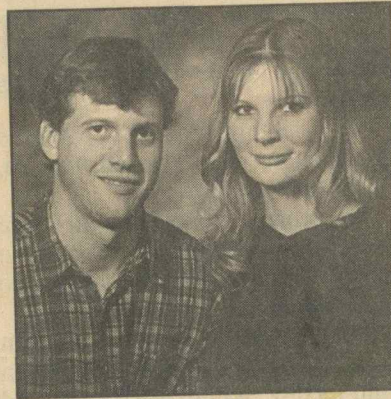
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The bride-elect is employed by McDonalds in Waverly, and her fiancé is employed by Unverferth Manufacturing in Shell Rock.

Vows are planned for 5 p.m. Sept. 12 at Bristol Church of Christ.



Jay Huberg
Crystal Brocka



This Week At The Center



Lorraine Huberg, the Easter Bunny, gave Easter candy to the residents of the Grundy Care Center as part of the Silver Beavers Easter Program.

AT CEDAR FALLS

Fred Hugh, sr, 76 died at 9 a. m. Sunday at his farm home six miles west of Cedar Falls of a heart attack, after a period of failing health.

He was born in Germany, July 30, 1866, and came to the United States when he was 15. Mr. Hugh farmed several years in Kossuth county, Ia., and later moved to his present farm home in West First street where he had lived the last 46 years.

On March 22, 1893, Mr. Hugh married Emma Mark of Finchford and she preceded him July 23, 1934.

Surviving are two sons, Fred near New Hartford, and Carl, Cedar Falls; three daughters, Mrs. Ethel Strein, Waterloo, Mrs. Bessie Elderkin on the home place and Mrs. Julia Sells, Cedar Heights; a half brother, Emil, in Oregon; 20 grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Four brothers and one sister preceded him.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Dahl funeral home in Cedar Falls and at 2 in the Methodist church at New Hartford. Rev. J. E. Pritchard officiating. Burial was made in Oak Hill cemetery at New Hartford.

Hugh Funeral to Be Held Wednesday 1934 at New Hartford

(Courier Special Service)

Cedar Falls, Ia.—The funeral services for Mrs. Fred Hugh, 62, who died at Sartori Memorial hospital Monday, following an extended illness of diabetes, will be Wednesday. Services will be at 1:30 p. m. at the New Hartford Methodist church, conducted by Rev. J. E. Pritchard, pastor, following rites at Dahl funeral home at 1:30. Interment will be in Oak Hill cemetery at New Hartford. Mrs. Hugh had been brought from her home, six miles west of this city, to the hospital Sunday morning.

Emma Mark was born April 22, 1872, on a farm near Finchford, and had lived practically all her life in this vicinity. She was married to Fred Hugh, May 16, 1893, following which they moved to a farm in Kossuth county. They came to their present farm home in 1896.

Surviving besides the husband are two sons, Fred, living near New Hartford and Carl, of Waterloo, and three daughters, Mrs. Ethel Strein, Cedar Falls, Mrs. Julia Sells, Waterloo, and Bessie at home.

There are also three sisters and two brothers; Mrs. Ida Unland, living in California; Mrs. Carrie Booheister, Cedar Falls; Mrs. M. E. Hartong, Cedar Falls; Will Mark, Pasadena, Calif., and Fred Mark, living near Finchford. There are also sixteen grandchildren.

Fred L. Hugh, 80, of rural Cedar Falls, passed away Sunday evening, Dec. 3, at the Allen Memorial Hospital Extended Care Unit in Waterloo.

Fred was born on June 28, 1892, in Algona, Iowa, the son of Fred and Emma (Mark) Hugh. Fred attended school in Algona and later in Cedar Falls where he moved with his family at the age of 13 years. He then worked on the farm and served in the Army during World War I. On September 8, 1920 he was married in Waterloo to Alice Sells. They farmed north of New Hartford from 1920 to 1940 when they moved to their present farm where they farmed until retirement in 1969. Fred was a member of the Geyer-Bickner American Legion Post No. 660 in New Hartford.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister. He is survived by his wife, Alice, two sons, Louie Hugh of Nashua, and Donald Hugh of Ackley, and by seven daughters, Mrs. John (Julia) Weers of Cedar Falls, Mrs. John (Ida) Folken of New Hartford, Mrs. Ervin (Betty) Richter of Mora, Minnesota, Mrs. Carl (Lois) Bertram of Parkersburg, Mrs. William (Fay) Bass of Homassasa, Florida, Mrs. Andrew (Frances) Haan of Beaman and Mrs. Larry (Joann) Mayfield of Cedar Falls. Also by a brother, Carl Hugh of Bakersfield, California, and two sisters, Mrs. Julia Sells of Brainard, Minnesota and Mrs. Ethel Strein of Waterloo, and by 25 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

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Alice Hugh

CEDAR FALLS — Services for Alice Hugh, 86, of 1119 Western Ave., will be 10:30 a.m. Friday at Dahl-Van Hove-Schoof Funeral Home with burial in Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford.

She died of natural causes Tuesday (Dec 6) at the home of her daughter, Joanne Mayfield of 1119 Western Ave.

She was born March 11, 1902, in Butler County, daughter of Sherman and Emma Ackerson Sells. She married Fred L. Hugh on Sept. 8, 1920, in Waterloo. He died Dec. 3, 1972.

The couple farmed in the Cedar Falls-New Hartford area for 65 years.

Survivors include two sons, Louie Hugh of Ionia and Donald of Ackley; six daughters, Mrs. Ida Folken of New Hartford, Mrs. Betty Richter of Waite Park, Minn., Mrs. Lois Bertram of Parkersburg, Mrs. Faye Bass of Homassassa, Fla., Mrs. Frances Haan of Beaman and Mrs. Joanne Mayfield; 30 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren; two brothers, Lee Sells of Nisswa, Minn., and William of Clarksville; and a sister, Mrs. Mary Ann Wiebrand of LeRoy, Minn.; she was preceded in death by a daughter, five brothers and five sisters.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday and from 9 a.m. to services Friday.

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CARL BERTRAM

Carl Bertram of R. R. 1, Parkersburg, Iowa, was born the son of Fred and Nattie Schatzburg Bertram on October 20, 1919 in Butler County near Parkersburg. He received his education in a rural Butler County school.

On August 19, 1960, Carl was united in marriage to Lois Hugh at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. Carl started farming in 1948 and continued until his health forced him to retire in 1962.

On April 25, 1993 at the Cedar Falls Lutheran Home, Carl died reaching the age of 73 years, 6 months and 5 days. He was preceded in death by: his parents, 5 brothers, John, August, Henry, Fred and Chris; 3 infant sisters.

Carl is survived by: his wife, Lois and 2 sisters, Ella Immings of Austinville, Iowa and Minnie Rieman of Clarksville, Iowa.

Funeral Services were held on Wednesday, April 28, 1993 at 10:30 a.m. in the Schwartz Funeral Home, Parkersburg, Iowa, with the Rev. Rod Wetzig officiating. Special taped music of "How Great Thou Art" was played. Those acting as casketbearers were Larry Mayfield, Patric Gardner, Andrew Geisler, Paul Card, Andrew Haan, and Dale Haan. Interment was held in the Oak Hill Cemetery in New Hartford, Iowa following the services.

Schwartz Funeral Home of Parkersburg, Iowa was in charge of the arrangements.

Lois Bertram

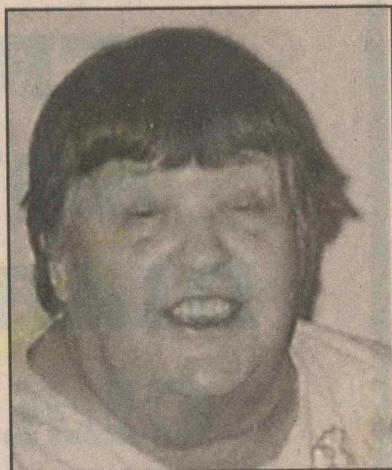
Lois Jean Bertram, age 78, of Parkersburg, Iowa, was born February, 12, 1930, in Cedar Falls, Iowa, the daughter of Fred and Alice (Sells) Hugh. She attended country school through the 8th grade near Parkersburg, Iowa.

On August 19, 1960, she was united in marriage with Carl Bertram at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, Iowa. The couple lived their entire married life on the family farm in rural Parkersburg.

In her free time, Lois enjoyed gardening, tending to her flowers and taking care of her three parakeets along with many stray cats she loved to feed. She also enjoyed watching the news, weather and soap operas. Lois always had a positive outlook on life and was very self-sufficient. Some words of wisdom that Lois lived by and would like to share with others were "Whatever will be, will be. There is nothing we can do about it... whatever will be, will be."

Lois died on Friday, December 19, 2008, at the Covenant Medical Center in Waterloo, Iowa, from natural causes. She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Carl; one brother, Donald Hugh; and three sisters, Julia Weers, Betty Richter and Frances Haan.

Lois is survived by one brother, Louie (Linda) Hugh of Ionia, Iowa; three sisters, Ida Folken of Parkersburg, Iowa, Faye Bass of Homosassa, Florida and Joanne Mayfield of Cedar Falls, Iowa; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.



Funeral Services were held 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 23, 2008, at the Redman-Schwartz Funeral Home, Parkersburg, Iowa, with Pastor Betsy Piette officiating. Burial was in Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford with Mark Mayfield, Pat Gardner, Dale Haan, Marvin Feckers, William Gardner and Roger Feckers serving as casketbearers. Mark & Cindy Mayfield along with Richard Smiley sang "Amazing Grace" and "I'll Fly Away." Special music included "How Great Thou Art" and "On Eagle's Wings."

Memorials may be directed to the family of Lois. Online condolences may be left at www.redman-schwartz.com

FRANCES HUGH

Frances M. (Haan) Hugh, 63, of Parkersburg, Iowa, and formerly of New Hartford, Aplington and Beaman, died unexpectedly at her home on Saturday, June 16, 2001, cause of death is pending an autopsy.

Frances was born on March 12, 1938 in rural New Hartford, the daughter of Fred L. and Alice (Sells) Hugh. She attended country school #3 in rural Cedar Falls, and following her schooling babysat for area neighbor families. On June 1, 1954, she was united in marriage to Andrew P. Haan at the Little Brown Church in Nashua. The couple made their home north of Aplington and in 1968, the couple moved to Conrad, Iowa. On October of 1971, they moved to Beaman, Iowa. From 1967 until 1977, Frances enjoyed babysitting in her home from area families. In 1996, the couple made their home at Prairie Village Apartments in Parkersburg. The couple were divorced in 1997.

Frances is survived by one son, Dale A. Haan, of Shell Rock IA; one daughter and her husband, Kathy and David Colin of Conrad, IA; two grandchildren, Nichole and Robert Colin; two brothers, Donald Hugh of Ackley, IA, Louie L. Hugh of Ionia, IA; and five sisters Ida Folken of Parkersburg, IA, Betty Richter of St. Cloud, MN, Lois Bertram of rural Parkersburg, IA., Faye Bass of Bell, FL, and Joanne Mayfield of Cedar Falls, IA. She was preceded in death by her parents; and one sister Julie Weers.

Funeral services will be held 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 20, 2001 at the Christian Reformed Church in Parkersburg with Pastor Frank Pott officiating. Burial will be in the Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford.

Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in Shell Rock was in charge of arrangements.

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TENA HUISMAN

Tena Huisman of 710 2nd Street, Parkersburg, Iowa, was born the daughter of Helmut and Kate Brugman Getting in Grundy County, near Holland, Iowa. She attended Herbert Quick School in Grundy County.

On June 7, 1922, Tena was united in marriage to William T. Huisman in the parsonage of the Baptist Church in Grundy Center, Iowa, by Rev. Alexander. They farmed for two years, Northeast of Sinclair, in Butler County, before moving to Parkersburg, Iowa. Tena enjoyed raising her family and making her garden grow. She helped entertain all their friends that attended the Huisman Music Shop every week for 23 years.

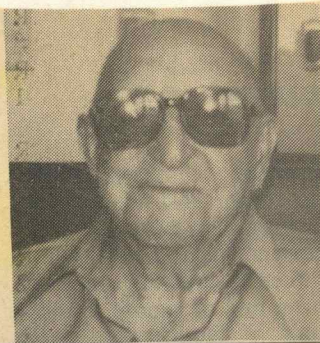
She was a very active member of the Calvary Baptist Church, having taught Sunday School for many years. Her Bible Study made her a knowledgeable christian witness and an effective spokesman for the Word of the Lord.

At 2 p.m. Thursday, February 1, 1990, Tena Huisman died at Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo, Iowa, where she had been a patient for ten days, after suffering a stroke. She reached the age of 88 years, 8 months, and 28 days. She was preceded in death by her infant daughter, Marjorie who died on May 26, 1930; 2 grandchildren, Linda Everts, and Floyd Huisman; her parents, and 1 brother, Fritz Getting.

Tena is survived by her: husband, William T. Huisman, Parkersburg; 3 sons, Alvin and his wife Vivian Huisman, Goldfield, Iowa, Donald and Corrine Huisman, and Delbert D. and Inez Huisman both of Parkersburg; 1 daughter, LaVerne, Mrs. Fred E. Everts, Parkersburg, and 14 grandchildren, and 28 Great grandchildren.

Funeral Services were held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday, February 3, 1990, in the Calvary Baptist Church with Rev. Dennis Kee officiating. Robert Barz was the organist and Roma Ries sang "The Peace That Jesus Gives", accompanied by Lois Hartman. Congregational Hymns were: "Wonderful Peace" and "Oh That Will Be The Glory". Casketbearers were: William R. Huisman, Rodrick Huisman, Rick Huisman, John Huisman, Glen Everts, and Todd Wildeboer. Interment followed in Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg, Iowa.

Schwartz-Engelkes Funeral Home in Parkersburg, Iowa, was in charge of arrangements.



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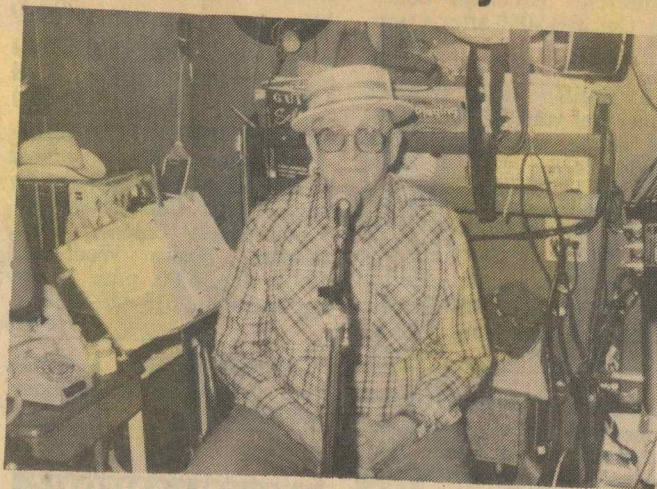
William Thiel Huisman has been chosen as our November Very Important Person. Bill was born to Tile and Harmke Huisman on April 12, 1902, on a farm southeast of Parkersburg. He was the youngest of six children, one brother and four sisters. The family moved near Holland where Bill attended school.

In 1922 Bill and Tena Getting were married and to this union five children were added. The children are: LaVerne Everts, Don and Delbert all of Parkersburg, Alvin of Centerville, Iowa, and Marjorie, deceased. There are sixteen grandchildren and twenty-eight great grandchildren. Bill and Tena began farming near Sinclair and in 1925 they moved to Parkersburg where Bill worked for Butler County and the Ford Garage as well as giving guitar lessons in the evenings. He started a 4-piece band called the Iowa Plowboys and they played live every Friday evening over KXEL radio in Marshalltown.

In 1936 Bill and Tena moved to Tena's parents farm and set up a music shop in a former chicken coop. He began his career as an auctioneer at this time and worked at sale barns in Aplington, Ackley, Iowa Falls, Waverly and Sumner in addition to working farm and household sales.

In 1970 he sold the farm except for an acreage where they built a new home and music shop. Bill also retired from auctioneering at sale barns at this time and in 1985 he called his last sale.

Celebrates Birthday



William T. Huisman, celebrated his 87th birthday at the "Huisman Music Shop in Parkersburg on Wednesday, April 12, 1989. The Wednesday Neters played lots of old favorites and the Gospeliers sang several selections and a special Happy Birthday in honor of Bill's birthday.

The Music Shop could not hold all the people. Approximately 80 relatives and friends were present.

Towns represented: Alden, Aplington, Allison, Ackley, Bradford, Clarksville, Charles City, Conrad, Grundy Center, Holland, Plainfield, Kensett, Hazelton, Waterloo, Geneva, Sumner, Dunkerton, Emmons, MN., Iowa Falls, Marshalltown and many from Parkersburg.

Gary Sarnoff, Channel 7, Waterloo, was present to tape a monologue of the "Wednesday Neters" to honor Bill on his 87th birthday.

A TRIBUTE TO WILLIAM THIEL HUISMAN

WHEREAS, little William Thiel Huisman was born the youngest of the 9 children of Thiel and Harmke Huisman on April 12, 1902 on the Charlie Wolf farm in Butler County; and,

WHEREAS, Bill took to wife one Tena Getting on June 7, 1922, honeymooned in Watertown, S.D., and gave issue to LaVerne, Alvin, Marjorie, Donald and Delbert; and,

WHEREAS, The Rev. G.E. Ehrhorn, baptized Bill, the believer, in December, 1925, when he joined the Calvary Baptist Church; and,

WHEREAS, Ben Peters got Col W.T. Huisman into the auctioneering game, crying country-wide sales of farms, cows, horses, pigs, and vacuum cleaners; and,

WHEREAS, this man of many trades is known far and wide as:
a collector of violins, clocks, and guns, a builder of dulcimers, a trader of coon dogs, a hunter of coons, a breeder of Appaloosas, a farmer, a trainer of trick horses, a seller of insurance, a repairer of banjos and mandolins, a writer of poetry and songs, a friend of God; and,

WHEREAS, a man from Missouri taught Bill to play "Cotton-eyed Joe" on the 5 string banjo, and Sherm Palmer taught him to chord on the guitar; and,

WHEREAS, Bill organized the "Wednesday-Neters"

THEREFORE, the Wednesday-Neters" and all your other friends on the occasion of your 87th birthday wish to acclaim "Happy Birthday and God Bless You Richly." We love you, Bill!

DONALD "RED" HULSING

Donald "Red" Hulsing, 67, of Rt. 1, New Hartford, Iowa, died Friday, November 3, 1989 of an apparent heart attack.

He was born on November 21, 1921, in Osage, Iowa, the son of Ben and Grace Bruns Hulsing. He attended the Finchford School System. On April 4, 1942, he was untied in marriage to Sylvia Smith in Lancaster, Missouri. On September 7, 1945 he entered the U.S. Army-Air Corps during World War II. Following his discharge on January 5, 1946, he returned to the area and started working for Rath Packing in Waterloo. Red later went to work for Viking Pump in Cedar Falls as well as the John Deere Company. In the late 1940's, Red went to work for Butler County as a Road Patrol Operator. During this time, the couple lived in the communities of Aplington and Parkersburg before returning to New Hartford. Red retired from the county in 1984 after 35 years of service.

Red liked to hunt, fish and spend time at auctions and farm sales but especially enjoyed his trips to the couples trailer home in Lynxville, Wisconsin.

Red is survived by his wife, Sylvia of New Hartford; his children Donald A. Hulsing of Denver, Iowa, Donna M. Provin of Waterloo, IA., Darlene K. Hulsing of Janesville, IA.; 8 grandchildren; 5 Great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; One daughter, Edna Mae in 1947; three brothers, Kampe Hulsing, Benny Hulsing, Louie Hulsing and by one sister, Gesina Burchard.

Funeral services were held Monday, November 6, 1989, at 1:30 p.m. at the New Hartford United Methodist Church with Pastor Milo E. Morris officiating. Burial with military rites by the Geyer-Bickner American Legion Post #660 in the Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford. Kaiser-Corson Funeral Chapel in New Hartford, was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

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NEW HARTFORD — Donald 'Red' Hulsing, 67, of New Hartford, died Friday, Nov. 3, of an apparent heart attack; he is survived by his wife, Sylvia; a son, Donald A. of Denver; two daughters, Donna M. Provin of Waterloo and Darlene K. Hulsing of Janesville; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; he was preceded in death by a daughter, Edna May; three brothers, Kampe, Benny, and Louie; and a sister, Gesina; he retired in 1984 after 35 years as a road patrol operator for Butler County; he also served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II; services are 1:30 p.m. at United Methodist Church in New Hartford; burial in Oak Hill Cemetery; friends may call from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Monday at Kaiser-Corson Chapel in New Hartford, and for an hour before services; memorials may be directed to the family.



Donald Hulsing

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NE IOWA DEATHS

NEW HARTFORD — Sylvia Allene Hulsing, 65, of New Hartford, died Wednesday, Jan. 16, at Allen Memorial Hospital, Waterloo, of natural causes; survivors include a son, Donald A. of Denver; two daughters, Donna M. Provin of Waterloo and Darlene K. Hulsing of New Hartford; eight grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; four sisters, Lorreta Olsson of Waterloo, Esther Coates of Shell Rock, Evelyn Hulsing of New Hartford and Beverly Swartz of Tucson, Ariz.; and two brothers, A. Bud Smith of New Hartford and Dick Smith of Dike; she was preceded in death by her husband, Donald in 1989; and a daughter, Edna Mae in 1947; services will be 1 p.m. Friday at New Hartford United Methodist Church, with burial in Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford; friends may call until 9 p.m. today and 9 to 11 a.m. Friday at Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home, Shell Rock, also for an hour before services at the church; memorials may be directed to the family; Mrs. Hulsing worked at Hinson Manufacturing Co., Waterloo, for 20 years, retiring in 1980.

New Hartford, Ia. — (Special)

—Funeral services for Edna May Hulsing, year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hulsing, will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday in Methodist church; she died Sunday at Mercy hospital in Waverly, and had been frail since birth; she leaves her parents, one brother, one sister, and her maternal grandmother, Mrs. Muriel Smith.

Died May 15 1947



Darlene Thompson

Darlene Kay (Hulsing) Thompson, 55, of Janesville, Iowa, died on Friday, April 28, 2006 at Allen Memorial Hospital, Waterloo of cancer.

Darlene was born on October 15, 1950 in Waterloo, Iowa, the daughter of Donald and Sylvia (Smith) Hulsing. She attended school in Parkersburg and New Hartford. She was united in marriage to George Thompson at the Little Brown Church in Nashua on September 28, 1991. She had worked at Bender's Foods in Denver. She enjoyed her dog, Tanner, camping, fishing, and especially her grandkids.

She is survived by her husband, George, her children, Gina Destival and her husband, Bryan of Janesville, Iowa; Josh Thompson and his wife, Jamie of Parkersburg, Iowa; Jeremy Lashbrook and his wife, Katie of Frederika, Iowa; and Alexis Thompson and her friend Brad Clinton of Waterloo, Iowa; six grandchildren; one great grandson; one brother, Don Hulsing and his wife, Donna of Janesville, Iowa; and one sister, Donna Barber of Waterloo, Iowa.

Darlene was preceded in death by her parents, a sister, Edna Mae Hulsing, her father in law, Alvin Thompson and a brother in law, Bobby Wright.

Memorial services were held on Wednesday, May 3, 2006 at 10:30 am at the Janesville Methodist Church, Janesville. Burial of cremains will be in Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford, Iowa. Memorials may be directed to the family and they will be established at a later date.

NEW HARTFORD — Mrs. Minnie Huisman, 84, Saturday at Sartori Memorial hospital in Cedar Falls of complications of age; leaves five sons, Edward, Clarksville; Richard, Hampton; Jerry, New Hartford; George, Nashua; Dick, Shell Rock; five daughters, Mrs. Mattie Roemling and Mrs. John Hersey, New Hartford; Mrs. Andrew Ahrenholz and Mrs. Donald Miller, Shell Rock; Mrs. Joe DeGroote, Parkersburg; funeral, 10 a. m. Tuesday at the Engelkes funeral home at Parkersburg and at 10:30 at the Stout Reformed church; burial at Titonka; friends may call at the funeral home after noon today.

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JERRY W. HUISMAN

Jerry W. Huisman, 81, Rt. 1, New Hartford, Iowa, died early Tuesday morning August 15, 1989 at the Clarksville Community Nursing Home from complications of a stroke.

He was born on August 15, 1908 in Amsterdam, Missouri, the son of W.W. and Minnie Saathoff Huisman. He attended school in Oklahoma and Iowa. Following his schooling Jerry went to work for several farmers in the Franklin County area. In 1958, Jerry moved to New Hartford and farmed there for the next 30 years. On December 24, 1987, Jerry suffered a stroke and was admitted to Allen Memorial Hospital. On January 29, 1988, he became a resident of the Cedar Falls Health Care

Center and on March 1, 1988, he became a resident of the Clarksville Community Nursing Home. Jerry was saved in 1962.

One of his greatest pasttimes was fishing, especially with his brother Ed.

He is survived by two brothers, Ed Huisman of Clarksville, George Huisman of Holiday, Missouri; four sisters Tillie Hersey of Waterloo, Minnie Ahrenholz of New Hartford, Grace DeGroote of Parkersburg and Mrs. Don (Wilma) Miller of Waverly; two sister-in-laws, Minnie Huisman of Dougherty and Ruby Huisman of Clarksville; several nieces and nephews; great nieces and nephews and great-great nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by three brothers Willie, Richard, and

Dick; and two sisters Mattie Romeling and Helen Huisman.

Funeral services were held Friday, Aug. 18, 1989 at 1:00 p.m. at the Stout Gospel Hall with Mr. Paul Elliott and Mr. Gary DeGroote speaking. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery, Parkersburg.

Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in New Hartford was in charge of the arrangements.

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Evelyn Hulsing of New Hartford visits with family practitioner Dr. Philip Rohrbaugh before her free medical examination Saturday at Sartori Memorial Hospital in Cedar Falls.

Courier photo by
GREG BROWN

Mission Day just what doctor ordered

By **TIM JAMISON**
Courier Staff Writer

What do you call it when four area hospitals and more than 400 physicians, dentists, nurses and other medical personnel band together to provide free health care to those who might otherwise be unable to afford it?

Those providing the care Saturday to about 400 needy patients from all over Northeast Iowa call it Medical Mission Day.

Sixty-one-year-old Evelyn Hulsing of New Hartford calls it a godsend.

"Praise the Lord, praise the Lord," said Hulsing as she waited for her chance to see a physician at Sartori Memorial Hospital in Cedar Falls. "This is absolutely wonderful, it really is."

Years ago, Hulsing and her husband were able to afford having their five children delivered at Sartori, including twins on her birthday. But the former cook, whose income now comes from disability and her late husband's Social Security, said there was no way she could afford the mammogram and Pap test she was receiving on Saturday.

"You can't live on disability alone," she said, adding that medical insurance was too expensive.

Exactly, said the staff at Sartori, Covenant Medical Center, Allen Memorial Hospital, Waverly Municipal Hospital and the numerous area clinics that were open for business on Saturday.

"This is a real specific project to pull together all of the people that provide health care in the area and give some help to those people who are having a difficult time getting

their needs met," said Sartori President Verna Klinkenborg, a member of the steering committee that spent more than a year planning for the event.

"We felt it was a great opportunity to fulfill our mission in the community," she said. "It was also a great chance for everyone to work together and cooperate."

Klinkenborg said Medical Mission Day was the largest service of its kind that she knew of in the state.

The whole idea behind the project actually began in 1911 with Dr. W.A. Rohlf of Waverly, who celebrated his birthday by inviting colleagues to Waverly to provide free care for those who needed it. The Birthday Clinics continued each year until Rohlf retired in 1931.

But Waverly Municipal Hospital began having the free-treatment days again in 1987 and 1989, said Arnold Flessner, hospital administrator and co-chairman of the steering committee. "Toward the tail end of 1986 things were pretty dismal for a lot of people," he said. "So we brought back the Rohlf Birthday Clinic."

Encouraged by the success of the program, the Waverly hospital sought the help of the other three hospitals and area physicians to expand the program. More than one year and scores of planning meetings later, the idea became a reality.

Appointments were scheduled about two weeks ago, and patients who were unable to come in on Saturday were able to set up times earlier this week, said steering committee member Sally Young, vice president of marketing at Sartori.

To be eligible for free treatment, applicants had to earn below 150 percent of the government-established poverty level. Patients also had to lack medical insurance coverage for the procedures, Young said.

Those procedures included everything from routine physicals to surgeries and costly diagnostic work, she said. About 60 percent of the program participants needed some sort of dental care.

"This is a celebration of our ability to provide health care," said Dr. Cam Bolick, one of four dentists offering free care out of his office at 307 E. Donald St. Bolick expected about 50 patients to visit the clinic Saturday and he said he was glad to offer the work free of political overtones often associated with health care for the needy.

Bolick said the condition of a person's teeth is often related to the time between dental visits, noting that those below the poverty level obviously can't afford routine check ups. "We're finding the whole gamut — from teeth that are in real good shape to some that are in devastating shape," he said.

Officials said the total cost of the services rendered will not be determined for some time. The program will be evaluated to see if more Medical Mission Days will be offered in the future.

Judging from the reaction of physicians and patients alike, that may not be a difficult decision.

"When you come in on a Saturday morning and you're not getting paid for it, there's a different feeling to it," said Young. "We had more volunteers than we could use today."

Five deaths shake

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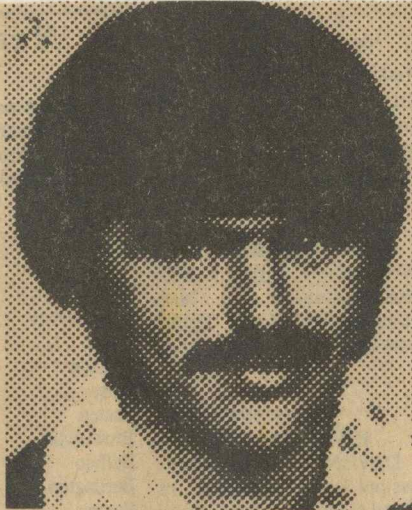
By LAWN GRIFFITHS
Courier State Editor

APLINGTON—Friends of Ethel Mae Franken said the mother of three had seemed much improved early this week after completing five weeks of psychiatric therapy for a nervous breakdown at a Waterloo hospital.

"Oh, man. I talked to her Monday night, and she sounded real good and looked forward to being home. She put a roast in the oven and met with her Christian Womens group, and she seemed to be enjoying herself again," remarked Mrs. Virginia Dean.

Mrs. Dean had regularly watched Mrs. Franken's three children while she was gone for treatment at Allen Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Dean Tuesday climbed a step-ladder and crawled through the narrow kitchen window of the Franken home here where all five members of well-liked family were found shot to death in



Darrell Franken

three rooms of the house.

AUTHORITIES Wednesday were continuing to investigate what they said



Mrs. Franken

appeared to be a murder-suicide.

The Iowa Division of Criminal Investigation was quickly called in by Aplington police and the Butler County



Dustin



Valerie



Troy

Sheriff's Department after the bodies were found during the noon hour when friends got concerned.

Found dead of gunshot wounds were Mrs. Franken, 33; her husband, Darrell J., 37; a son, Troy, 13; a daughter, Valerie, 11; and a son, Dustin, 6.

Butler County Medical Examiner Dr. Garry Teigland of Parkersburg said it appeared Mrs. Franken shot her husband and children with a .22 caliber

revolver, then turned it on herself.

A suicide note reportedly was found, but authorities refused to divulge the contents.

He said all members of the family were in their bedclothes, and he estimated that the shooting took place between 4 a.m. and 4:30 a.m. Tuesday.

Darrell Franken, who had worked for

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about 18 years at the John Deere Waterloo Tractor Works, was the superintendent of the Sunday school program at Bethel Lutheran Church in Parkersburg. They had lived at least 12 years in Aplington, previously in a mobile home.

Franken had conducted a meeting Monday night with members of his nine-teacher Sunday school staff in nearby Parkersburg.

The Franken home is an attractive reddish-brown, ranch-style home at 216 10th St., located across the street from the Aplington school.

Plastic is over some windows to keep out winter air. A picket fence runs across the front yard to keep snow from drifting across the driveway.

Concern was raised Tuesday morning when no activity could be found at the home.

Mrs. Franken was scheduled to be in Waterloo for an 11:15 a.m. psychiatric appointment.

Merle Uhlenhopp, bus mechanic for the school district, whose bus barn is less than a half block south of the Franken home, explained how the bodies were found.

HE SAID Dalene Tjabring had volunteered to drive Mrs. Franken to Waterloo for another doctor's appointment to check on her progress. However, Mrs. Tjabring's husband had their car, so she called Uhlenhopp's wife for a ride to the Franken house. They reached the house at 9:45 a.m.

"They beat on the door and got no response," he said. They also noticed both of the Frankens' vehicles were still in the garage.

They then went to one of the women's homes and called the Frankens. "They let it ring 20 times and no answer," Uhlenhopp said.

Next they called the school to find out

if the children were in school and were told none had arrived.

The women asked school janitor Kenny Mehmen to assist. Uhlenhopp joined in and they peered through some of the windows where the shades were not drawn, but could see nothing unusual.

They returned to the school and called the John Deere plant in Waterloo to inquire whether Franken had reported to work and were told he had taken the day off as a "casual day."

They returned to the house and through one window could see that one of the children's jackets was hanging in the entry way. "I said, 'I'm sure they're in there,' but we couldn't rouse anyone," Uhlenhopp recounted.

"We decided to call the cop, and he came down," Uhlenhopp said. Police Chief Tom Lines came "but he did not want to bust the door in," Uhlenhopp said.

NEXT THEY called Mrs. Franken's doctor to see if there had been appointment changes. That produced no new information.

"And there was also a rumor that the boy said they were looking at houses and the Realtor might have picked them up."

Uhlenhopp said Lines suggested they wait until late afternoon when Valerie would be required to be home to deliver newspapers on her Waterloo Courier paper route.

Uhlenhopp said he went "home to dinner" but had a gnawing feeling that something was wrong.

He called Mrs. Dean since she had been a babysitter for the Frankens and had had a key to the house, but Mrs. Dean said she had returned it when Mrs. Franken ended her hospital stay.

He flagged down Chief Lines on patrol and said, "Tom, we're definitely going

in one way or another. Virginia wants to go in."

So they returned to the house with a stepladder and put it beside the kitchen window. Uhlenhopp climbed it and used a screwdriver to remove the screen, then lifted the window.

MRS. DEAN crawled through the window, then opened the side door to let in the others. "Tom sort of slipped in back of us, went in, then pushed Virginia out the door. He said, 'Don't go in there. It's bad,'" Uhlenhopp said.

Dr. Teigland said he was called about 12:30 p.m.

He said Mrs. Franken was lying on her back on a bed in the master bedroom, a shot in her chest. He said the gun was beside her.

Her husband was about eight feet away from the bed on the floor. Troy was dead at his father's side. Valerie's body was in her room lying against a dresser bureau. The youngest son, Dustin, was found in his bed, the medical examiner said.

Dr. Teigland said it appeared all except Mrs. Franken appeared to be shot twice each. He estimated the family members had been dead six to eight hours.

An alarm clock's cord was unplugged at 4 o'clock, he said, but he could see no evidence of struggle in the house.

The bodies were removed from the house at about 8:30 p.m. Tuesday after the DCI crime lab arrived and completed its initial work.

Autopsies on the bodies got under way at 6:30 a.m. Wednesday at Allen Hospital under the direction of head pathologist Dr. James D. Collins.

"SHOCK" was the repeated word of townfolks Tuesday.

Mrs. Dean said Franken was "a workaholic almost...Ethyl was more a home

person. They all liked to hunt and fish and both were in a campers clubs in the summer."

Mrs. Dean said Mrs. Franken had suffered from depression and "she didn't think she was a good enough mother."

Aplington School Superintendent Clifford McKee, who lives next door to the slain family, said, "It's just awful."

He said Mrs. Franken seemed to be "real sour on some things." He said she told friends she "didn't want to live in Aplington, that she hated the town."

McKee, who is also elementary principal, said the Franken children were not outstanding students but did acceptable work, but that may have disturbed Mrs. Franken.

McKee described Mrs. Franken as "kind of a perfectionist, and I didn't know if she would have been bothered by the fact that her kids weren't" outstanding.

"She wanted a better life for her kids. She wanted them to have better things than she did."

Friends said Mrs. Franken was afraid of how her psychiatric problems would affect her children. They said she twice in December tried to take her life with pills, once while in the hospital.

A friend described her as being "unbelievably depressed" in past months.

They said she underwent shock treatment before being released from the hospital last week.

A neighbor, Phil Rowan said, "Darrell was a helluva hard worker. He worked all the time...She was a beautiful person." He said Franken and his son Troy plowed gardens for neighbors.

Franken was active in the Jaycees and was president of the AMVETS. He also had worked on the successful effort for a golf-tennis sports complex in Aplington.

MURDER -

SUICIDE STUNS APLINGTON

Ethel Franken, 33, apparently shot her three children and husband with a 22 caliber revolver, then shot herself once in the heart in a murder-suicide last week in Aplington.

Found dead of gunshot wounds to the chest area were Mrs. Franken, her husband, Darrell, 37; a son Troy, 13; a daughter, Valerie, 11 and a son Dustin 6.

According to sources Mrs. Franken had been released the previous Friday following five weeks of psychiatric care. Friends had commented that she had suffered a difficult childhood and continued to have family problems. Sources went on to say she swore that her children would have a better life and she was upset that they were doing only average work in school.

According to the County Attorneys office the deaths occurred sometime between midnight and 6 a.m. Tuesday. Concern was raised Tuesday morning when no activity could be found at the home. Mrs. Franken was scheduled to be in Waterloo for an 11:15 a.m. psychiatric appointment.

Dalene Tjabring had volunteered to drive Mrs. Franken to Waterloo for

another doctors appointment to check on her progress. However, Mrs. Tjabring's husband had their car so she asked Merle Uhlenhopp's wife for a ride to the Franken house. They reached the house shortly after 9:30 a.m. They noticed that both cars were still in the garage and when they went back home and called several times and there was no answer they became suspicious. Next they called the school and found out the children were not present. Following a call to John Deeres, where Darrell worked, and finding out he had not shown up they decided to call the town policeman, Tom

Lines. They still waited till after lunch before they made the decision to break into the house.

So they returned to the house with a stepladder and put it beside the kitchen window. Merle Uhlenhopp then used a screwdriver to remove the screen, then lifted the window.

Mrs. Dean crawled through the window, then opened the side door to let others in. Officer Tom Lines then went in, pushed Mrs. Dean out the door and said, "Don't go in there, it's bad."

A suicide note was found in the Franken home and although the contents weren't

released, it supposedly coincided with reports that Mrs. Franken was suffering from severe depression, especially in regards to the future of her children.

The Franken home is located East of the Aplington High School.

The body of one of the children, Dustin, was found in his bed. Valerie was found in her room, lying against the dresser. The older son, Troy, was found in the parents' room next to his father.

Darrell Franken was found on the floor of the master bedroom. It appeared, according to sources, that the deaths were fairly instant-

aneous.

The Franken family were active in church and local activities. Darrell was active in JayCees, Ducks Unlimited and was President of the Amvets. He also had worked on the successful effort for the golf-tennis sports complex in Aplington.

Services for all five members of the family, were held at 1:30 p.m. Friday, January 21 at the Bethel Lutheran Church in Parkersburg.

A fund has been set up for a scholarship to be given at Aplington School in memory of the Franken family. Donations are being accepted at the State Savings Bank in Aplington.



Darrell Franken



Dustin



Valerie



Troy



Ethel Franken

1 OBITUARY 1

DARRELL, ETHEL, TROY, VALERIE & DUSTIN FRANKEN

Darrell John Franken was born the son of Donald and Ella May Kramer Franken on November 20, 1945, at Waverly, Iowa.

He was baptized as an infant in St. Paul Lutheran Church in Waverly, Iowa, and later confirmed in St. James Lutheran Church in Allison, Iowa. After graduating from the Allison High School in 1963, Darrell served in the U.S. Army till April of 1965.

Ethel Mae Franken was born the daughter of Bennie and Evelyn Smith Hulsing on June 30, 1950, in Cedar Falls, Iowa. She graduated from the New Hartford High School in New Hartford, Iowa, in 1967.

After being baptized and receiving adult confirmation, Ethel was united in marriage with Darrell in the St. James Lutheran Church in Allison, Iowa, on July 19, 1967.

Since their marriage, they have lived in Aplington, Iowa.

Darrell has worked at the Waterloo John Deere Tractor Works for the past 18 years.

He was an active member of the Bethel Lutheran Church in Parkersburg, Iowa, had served as a member of the church council, Sunday School teacher and was presently the Sunday School Superintendent.

As an avid sportsman, Darrell enjoyed fishing, hunting, camping, bowling and golfing.

In 1975, he was post Commander of the Aplington Amvets, Post #102. He also served the following two years as the Third District Commander.

Darrell was a past President of the Aplington Jaycees. He also had served on the organizational board of the Aplington Recreation Complex.

Following their marriage, Ethel attended the Pitze's Waterloo School of Beauty, and worked one year as a beautician in Ackley, Iowa. She had also worked at Plastronics, Inc., in Grundy Center, Iowa.

Ethel was an active member of Bethel Lutheran Church where she has taught Sunday School and Bible School. She was also an active member in the Aplington Amvet and Auxiliary and was a Girlscout leader.

Darrell and Ethel were blessed with three children.

Troy Vance Franken was born on May 2, 1969. He was presently an 8th grade student at the Aplington Consolidated School, where he was active in sports and a member of the Junior High Band. He was also a member of the 8th grade Confirmation Class and Sunday School class at Bethel Lutheran Church, where he was baptized as an infant.

Valerie May Franken was
● born January 27, 1971. She
● was presently a 6th grade

student at the Aplington Consolidated School, and was active in the gradeschool band. Valerie was also a 6th grade student in the Sunday School at Bethel Lutheran Church where she had been baptized as an infant. She has been active in the Clever Cloverettes 4-H Club, and had been a newspaper carrier in Aplington.

Dustin Jon Franken was born on May 28, 1976. He was a first grade student at the Aplington Consolidated School. He was also a 1st grade student in the Sunday School at Bethel Lutheran Church where he had been baptized as an infant. Dustin was active in the Aplington Cubscout Troup.

Darrell and Ethel Franken and their three children died on Tuesday, Jan 18th, 1983, at their home in Aplington.

Darrell is survived by: his father and step-mother, Donald and Kay Franken of Rt. 1, Clarksville, Iowa; his sister Susan Franken of New Hartford, Iowa; two brothers, Jan Franken of Allison, Ia., and Larry Franken of New Hartford, Ia.; one half-sister, Stacey Franken of Clarksville, Ia.; four step-brothers, Rod and Roger and Russell of Clarksville, Ia.; Ronald Russell of Allison, Iowa; and Randall Russell of Waverly, Iowa; and step-grandmother, Mabel Cagley of Clarksville, Iowa.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ella May, on March 10, 1965, and one nephew.

Ethel is survived by: her mother, Mrs. Evelyn Hulsing of New Hartford, Ia.; one sister, Paula Hotz of Oklahoma City, Okla.; and three brothers Larry Hulsing of Farmersburg, Ia., Paul Hulsing of Oklahoma City, Okla., and John Hulsing of California.

She was preceded in death by her father, Bennie Hulsing, August 23, 1970.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p.m., Friday, January 21, 1983, at the Bethel Lutheran Church in Parkersburg, Iowa, with Rev. Ernest Philippi and Rev. Charles Orr officiating. The organist was Mrs. JoAnn Meints. Interment followed at the Pleasant View Cemetery, Aplington, Iowa. Full military rites were conducted at the graveside by Aplington Amvet Post #102. The casketbearers were: Ed Quail, Joel Schwarz, Tom Poppens, Mike Nevenhoven, Dan Orr, Jim DeBoer, Dan Brandt, Brian Hovenga, Paul Riggs, Roger Walther, Gerald Graves, Bob Boster, Marty Dickey, Lyle Hansen, Douglas Abbas, Richard Tjabring, Donald Noble, Irwin Schipper, Gerald Meyer, Ronald Druvenga, Neil Goldhorn, Jim Lupkes, Jim Schwarz, Merle Schrage, Roy Schmidt, Bill Senne, Bob Everts, Jim Graves, Gaylen Wiegmann, Dale Stearns, Gary Johnson, and Dave Wiegmann.

Schwartz-Engelkes Funeral Chapel in Aplington, Iowa, in charge of Arrangements.

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Mother's suicide note said 'short'

By Staff Writers

APLINGTON—A "very short and very brief" suicide note, written by Ethel Mae Franken, expressing her concern for her children's future, was found in the Franken home Tuesday afternoon when the five family members were found shot to death, Habbo Fokkena, assistant Butler County attorney, said Thursday.

The deaths were an apparent murder-suicide.

Fokkena said the suicide note, which was not addressed to anyone in particular, has not yet been shown to the family because it is being analyzed at the Division of Criminal Investigation's crime lab in Des Moines. He said its contents would not be made public.

But Fokkena said the reason *why* the mother of three took the lives of her three school-age children and her husband before killing herself will probably never be known. "No one can figure out why such a tragedy can occur," he said.

Mrs. Dina Ibeling of Aplington, whose husband Scott worked at Waterloo John Deere Tractor Works with Darrell Franken, said Thursday she drove to the Franken's home at 5:45 a.m. Tuesday

with her husband to give Franken a ride to Parkersburg to join a car pool en route to Waterloo.

"I TALKED to Darrell Monday night at 5:30 p.m.," she said, "and told him Scott would pick him up for work the next morning."

Reportedly Franken had called Deere to take a casual day Tuesday, but if he did, Mrs. Ibeling said, he must have not known he wasn't going to work at 5:30 p.m. Monday when she talked to him.

Mrs. Ibeling said she went to the Franken home with her husband that morning because she needed the car and planned to drop the two men off in Parkersburg where they would catch a ride with other Deere workers.

"It was dark when we went to the door and we knocked and no one answered," she said. "We waited a few minutes and then had to leave because otherwise we would have been late."

Mrs. Ibeling said she had an eerie feeling that something might be wrong, and said she has questioned herself since then if she should have contacted someone.

The bodies were found about noon by

family acquaintances who were concerned about the lack of activity at home.

Butler County Medical Examiner Garry Teigland of Parkersburg revealed preliminary results of autopsies of the five bodies, conducted Wednesday morning at Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo.

"In all cases a bullet went through the heart," he said.

Teigland said Franken and the children each suffered two wounds to the chest, and in each case one of the two bullets went through the heart. The autopsy of Mrs. Franken revealed that she was shot through the sternum of the chest, and the bullet from the .22-caliber revolver, owned by the family, pierced her heart.

Dr. Teigland said urinalysis and tests for substances, such as drugs, on their bodies had not been completed because he would not be receiving those results.

Teigland termed "incorrect" a report by a Des Moines newspaper that the members of the family had also been shot in the head. He said there were no head wounds.

Aplington Jaycees set up scholarship for Frankens

APLINGTON—Aplington Jaycees have established a scholarship fund as a memorial to the Darrell Franken family.

The family—Darrell, his wife, Ethel, and their three children, Troy, Valerie and Dustin—were found dead at their Aplington home Tuesday. Authorities are investigating the deaths as four murders and a suicide.

According to Ron Druvenga, vice president of the Aplington Jaycees, the organization's members decided

Wednesday to establish the scholarship.

Darrell Franken was a former president of the group and was "a very active member."

Druvenga said money contributed will be placed in a trust fund, with the interest to be awarded as a scholarship, making the award "a lasting memorial to the Franken family."

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The scholarship will be awarded to an Aplington High School senior on the basis of financial need as well as academic ability, he said. The first scholarship will be awarded this spring.

Contributions may be sent to Franken Memorial Scholarship Fund, State Savings Bank, Aplington, Iowa, 50604.

NE Iowa deaths

Darrell John Franken
Ethel Mae Franken
Troy Vance Franken
Valerie May Franken
Dustin Jon Franken

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APLINGTON—Services for Darrell John Franken, 37, his wife, Ethel Mae, 33, and their three children, Troy Vance, 13, Valerie May, 11 and Dustin Jon, 6, will be 1:30 p.m. Friday at Bethel Lutheran Church in Parkersburg; burial at Pleasant View Cemetery, Aplington; law enforcement authorities are investigating the deaths as four murders and a suicide; survivors of Mr. Franken include his father and stepmother, Donald and Kay Franken of Clarksville; a sister, Susan Franken of New Hartford; two brothers, Jan of Allison and Larry of New Hartford; a half sister, Stacey Franken of Clarksville; four stepbrothers, Rod and Roger Russell, both of Clarksville, Ronald Russell of Allison and Randall Russell of Waverly; and a step-grandmother, Mrs. Mabel Cagley of Clarksville; Mrs. Franken's survivors include her mother, Mrs. Evelyn Hulsing of New Hartford; a sister, Paula Hotz of Oklahoma City, Okla.; and three brothers, Larry Hulsing of Farmersburg, Paul Hulsing of Oklahoma City, Okla., and John Hulsing of California; friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday and 9 to 11 a.m. Friday at Schwartz-Engelkes Funeral Chapel in Aplington.

APLINGTON—The enormity of the tragedy could be counted in the 32 pallbearers and five hearses that bore their bodies to final resting places at Pleasant View Cemetery.

It took a double canopy to accommodate the row of five caskets that lined up at the gravesites.

On a bright, but chilly day, an Aplington family of five was buried side by side Friday afternoon in the southeast corner of a cemetery overlooking the town that had been their home for 15½ years.

The five members of the Darrell and Ethel Franken family had identical gray, metal caskets. Young male classmates and friends were pallbearers for the children.

Those who squeezed collars to their necks against a raw, mid-January breeze at the cemetery realized it isn't often, in small towns of Iowa at least, that an entire family is so quickly swept away by violence.

THEY HAD died moments apart from a sequence of gunfire at their home early Tuesday, victims of four murders and a suicide.

State and local authorities have not closed the case, pending receipt of final crime laboratory test results. Yet, they continue to believe Mrs. Franken used a family-owned .22-caliber handgun to shoot each of her family members twice in the chest, then turned the gun on herself in the early morning hours Tuesday. All were found dead at their home mid-day Tuesday.

Mrs. Franken had undergone five weeks of psychiatric care at a Waterloo hospital for severe depression and had been released less than a week before the shootings. She was to have gone Tuesday morning to Waterloo for another doctor's examination to determine progress in her bout with mental illness.

Authorities said a suicide note was found at the scene.

Friends said Mrs. Franken had been critical of herself as a mother and was "obsessed" with trying to make life better for her children.

ABOUT 675 people found seats inside Bethel Lutheran Church in Parkersburg Friday afternoon for the 45-minute funeral for the Franken family and their two sons and a daughter.

The overflow crowd filled the sanctuary, its balcony and the basement, with chairs set up in the two outside aisles in the sanctuary and another row down much of the center aisle to accommodate the mourners.

Many arrived more than an hour before the funeral's start. Before taking seats in the long, high-arched church, they filed past the five open caskets.

In the narthex were those of Ethel and Darrel. In an overflow area behind the sanctuary were the three children, Troy, 13, an eighth-grader; Valerie, who would have been 12 next Thursday, a sixth grader; and Dustin, 6, a first grader.

Rev. Charles Orr, an Aplington Presbyterian pastor, invited to take part in the service, told mourners, "There are many questions, many thoughts that you have had and we have had together: Why? why? My God, why? It's impossible. A bad dream. If I hold on for a little while, I can wake up and it'll be over. That isn't true."

ORR SAID, "The angel of death has touched the lives of Darrell, Ethel..."

He said the pain and hurt mourners were feeling was good. "Only when we feel hurt and pain do we realize that we have loved...and that is good."

Bethel Church's pastor, Rev. Ernest Philippi, told those on hand that in his 38 years as a clergyman, he could not recall "such an outpouring of response, caring, love and support" from so many people during "this time of unbelievable loss."

Most, he said, came from Aplington, Parkersburg, New Hartford, Allison and Clarksville (where family members had lived or had relatives and friends), but as word spread of the tragedy, sharing and support came from as far away as Des Moines and Minneapolis.

He cautioned mourners not to blame God "for all that human beings do." He said people make choices, but "God is not powerless in a moment like this."

He called on those present to "grow from the experience."

He focused for a moment on Mrs. Franken. "I would hope beyond hope that all of you who knew her would continue to think of all the lovingness of her life. Remember all the gifts that her life meant to many of us."

Philippi called on people not to harshly judge her, but to place her in the "mercy of God."



Pallbearers carry the flag-draped casket across the southeast corner of Pleasant View Cemetery in Aplington where the family of five will be buried. In the foreground are members of the AMVETS, who will give a rifle salute for Franken, who had been a member.

THE PASTOR further beckoned young people to "please continue to share your feelings and questions with us. Let us as sharing people share our grief with the young people. We need to know about your grief."

Darrell Franken, who worked 18 years for John Deere Waterloo Tractor Works, had been Sunday school superintendent at the church since last fall.

Mrs. Franken had formerly been a teacher at the church. Franken had also been on the church's governing board.

After the funeral, the pastor led each casket from the church to one of the five waiting hearses, three of them loaned to Schwartz-Engelkes Funeral Home by area morticians.

At the cemetery, caskets were carried one by one, in ascending age of the decedent, to the gravesite, as mourners, especially young people, openly wept.

Members of AMVETS Post 102, which had counted Franken as a past commander, fired their weapons in salute and taps were played. Afterwards, the flag that draped Franken's casket was folded and presented to his father, Donald Franken, of Clarksville.

Later, the AMVETS hosted a lunch at their hall in Aplington.

Northeast Iowa

From school to Main Street, Aplington coping with deaths

By MARK MITTELSTADT
Associated Press Writer

APLINGTON (AP) — Townspeople here shivered in 5-degree weather Wednesday, but it was the grisly slayings which took place in the Darrell Franken home that numbed their souls.

The deaths and word that Ethel Mae Franken apparently murdered her husband and three children before killing herself shocked many of the town's more than 1,000 residents.

In halls and classrooms of the Aplington School, students and teachers both quietly discussed the killings. Some wept.

It replaced idle chatter about the weather in the checkout line at the Diekman Bros. Grocery store and it was discussed over cups of coffee at the Shamrock restaurant.

"I THINK everybody is in absolute shock," said Gary A. Larson, president of the State Savings Bank in Aplington. "This is a very conservative and a close-knit town, and the home is right across from the school, so it will serve as quite a reminder."

While adults were stunned by the killings of Darrell Franken, 37, and his 33-year-old wife, Ethel, it was the town's young people who especially felt the sting of the deaths. The couple's three slain children—Troy, 13, Valerie, 11, and Dustin, 6—were their classmates.

"The kids today in the classroom have been very quiet, very upset," said Ruth Bohemann, a sixth grade teacher.

"They're a little red-eyed. Their teacher is, too," she said, brushing back a tear.

Larson said word of the slayings had upset his four children the night before.

"None of them ate very well at supper, and my 10-year-old boy decided he couldn't sleep alone."

HENRY JUNGLEING Jr. said his 8-year-old daughter also didn't sleep well. "It was hard on the children. I think it really scares them," he said.

Located across the street from the school, the Franken house was evidence of a tragedy that just wouldn't go away. First-graders eating lunch whispered and pointed at the modest, single-story home while others occasionally glanced in that direction.

Phyllis Grobe, a language arts teacher, gathered the 34 members of Troy Franken's eighth grade class the first thing Wednesday morning.

"They were very subdued. Some of them were sitting there in tears," she said. "They wanted to know what we were going to do as a group for Troy."

Cliff McKee, the superintendent and elementary principal in the kindergarten through 12th grade school, said classes probably would be dismissed to allow students to attend the family's funeral service Friday.

THE EIGHTH graders decided to order a floral tribute in Troy's favorite colors — purple and gold — and reading "Class of 1987."

The two older Franken children were active in extracurricular activities, and were especially good in athletics, teachers said.

Troy participated in junior high football, basketball and track, and played trumpet in the school band. Valerie

played basketball at noon, was in the band, and delivered the afternoon Waterloo Courier.

"They were just great kids," said McKee, who lives next door to the Franken residence. "They were nice, healthy, fun kids."

Like the youngsters, adults mourned the loss of an active couple and wondered aloud how the entire family could have been wiped out.

"Were they drugged?" asked Virginia Dean, a friend of the Frankens. "It just seems that somebody — maybe Troy or Valerie — should have been able to get out when the shooting started."

AUTHORITIES said Wednesday autopsies revealed no traces of drugs or alcohol in the victims.

Acquaintances repeatedly described the couple as hard-working.

He was superintendent of their Sunday school and Ethel taught a Sunday school class at Bethel Lutheran Church in Parkersburg five miles to the east. The couple attended church regularly, including last Sunday.

An employee at Deere and Co. in Waterloo, Darrell was past commander of Amvets Post No. 102. He was an officer in the Jaycees and helped the group obtain a \$500,000 recreation complex west of town.

"He was a good Christian kid," said Dalene Tjabring, another friend. "He was always so understanding. He always saw the good side of things."

The deaths hit squarely at the relationship between parent and child.

"We had a long talk about this," one mother said, "then we had five people in one bed for the night."



Mr & Mrs Hummel - Fall
Katherine

Hummel
and parents

He was Barber in New
York - Lived with his
Cousin Geyer
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BENNIE HULSING

NEW HARTFORD — Services for Bennie Hulsing, 54, who died Sunday p.m. at the University Hospital, Iowa City, will be 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at the New Hartford Baptist Church; survivors include his wife, Evelyn; three sons, Larry, Paul and John all at home; two daughters, Mrs. Darrell Franken of Aplington and Paula at home; three brothers, Kampe of Minneapolis, Minn., Louie of Vallejo, Calif., and Donald of New Hartford; Engelkes Funeral Home in charge.

**SERVICES FOR
BENNIE HULSING**

Born

May 21, 1916

Date of Death

August 23, 1970

Services at

Baptist Church
New Hartford, Iowa
August 26, 1970

Clergyman

Rev. Donald Hager

Organist: Mrs. Donald Hager

Vocalist: Robert Geist

"Rock of Ages"

"Beyond the Sunset"

Interment

Oak Hill Cemetery
New Hartford, Iowa

Military Honors

Cedar Falls Amvets

Casket Bearers

Clyde Bravard	John Brocks
Daniel Payne	Merle Grandon
Arnold Johnson	James Miller

Engelkes Funeral Home

EVELYN M. HULSING

Evelyn Mae Hulsing, 67, of 303 Oneida, New Hartford, IA, died early Friday morning October 11, 1996 at Allen Memorial Hospital in Waterloo from complications of pneumonia.

Evelyn was born July 5, 1929 in New Hartford, IA the daughter of George and Muriel (Grandon) Smith. Evelyn attended the New Hartford Consolidated School system, and graduated from the New Hartford High School in 1947. She was united in marriage to Bennie Hulsing and the couple made their home in Parkersburg, Iowa, before moving to New Hartford. Bennie died in the early 1970's, and Evelyn continued to live in New Hartford, where she worked for the "Home Cafe" and later went to work as a cook for the Beaver Hills Country Club in Cedar Falls.

Evelyn was a member of the United Methodist Church in New Hartford, and sang in the choir with the Council on Aging.

Evelyn is survived by her four children and their spouses: Larry & Linda Hulsing of Monona, Iowa, Paul & Jennifer Hulsing of Spokane, WA, Paula & Tony Rodriguez of Oklahoma City, OK. and John Hulsing of California; seven grandchildren; three great grandchildren; two brothers, Bud Smith of New Hartford, IA, Dick Smith of Dike, IA, and two sisters, Loretta Olsson of Waterloo, IA and Beverly Swartz of Arizona. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Ethel Franken; three grandchildren; and two sisters, Sylvia Hulsing and Esther Coates.

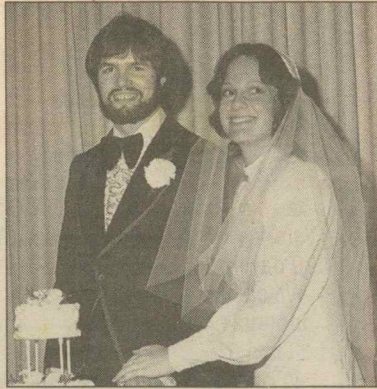
Funeral services were held Tuesday, October 15, 1996 at 1:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church in New Hartford with burial in the Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford. Barr Funeral Home in Cedar Falls, formerly the Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home was in charge of the funeral arrangements.

William Hummel

Fri., Apr. 2, 1976

NEW HARTFORD—Services for William Hummel, 77, of New Hartford, who died Thursday morning in Aitkin, Minn., will be 2 p.m. Sunday at Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in New Hartford; burial in Beaver Grove Cemetery; survived by two sisters, Mrs. Lucy Gutknecht, of 1802 Waterloo Rd., Cedar Falls, and Mrs. Kathryn Biehl of Ana Core Anacortes, Wash. Friends may call after 7 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

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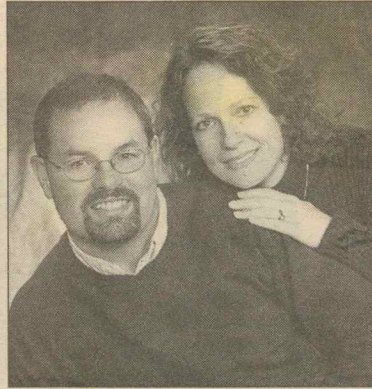
**Mr. and Mrs. Hunemuller
1974**

Hunemuller/30

NEW HARTFORD — Todd and Lisa Hunemuller observed their 30th wedding anniversary Oct. 26.

Todd Hunemuller and Lisa Park were married Oct. 26, 1974.

Mr. Hunemuller is a contractor



**Mr. and Mrs. Hunemuller
2004**

with Storybook Cottageworks, and Mrs. Hunemuller is a French teacher at Cedar Falls High School.

Their family includes Megan Hunemuller Steffen of Cedar Falls, and Jason Hunemuller and Gretchen Hunemuller, both of New Hartford, and one grandchild.

Parkersburg Family Feature



Miles & Kate Humphrey Family

They met when she was a student pilot and he was a flight instructor at the Parkersburg airport (what is now Dorothy Street) in 1947. Katherine (Kate), daughter of Harm and Grace (Ibeling) Knepe, and Miles Humphrey Jr., son of Miles Sr. and Ruth (Oulman) Humphrey were married July 26th, 1948. Kate had two sisters, Angeline Wallersten, (dec.), and Madeline Geiken, and two brothers, Aldrick and Harvey, (dec.). Miles had one brother, George (dec.). They started farming, corn, beans, hay, cows and pigs, on almost all of what is now the Big Marsh, and raised 9 children, 4 of whom were born at home over the strong objections of Dr. Floyd Rolfs who refused to attend – but Ol' Dad was there. But when twins came along, the hospital was the safest option, and Dr. Floyd was now back on duty.

After high school, Kate attended Gates College in Waterloo, then worked for D.U. Harken, the John Deere and Hudson dealer in Aplington and Miles went to Iowa State in the fall of 1942, then enlisted on his 18th birthday in March of 1943 as a Naval Aviation Cadet and spent the next 32 months on active duty in WW II, becoming a carrier qualified fighter pilot in the Marine Corp. After being called back in for an 18 month tour of active duty in Korea, and tired of being land rich and cash poor, they quit general farming, built a new home just east of the new golf course now under construction and started one of the early cage laying operations (12,500 hens – and one rooster!). This eventually became 83,500 by the time the business was sold and they retired in 1992.

In chronological order, from age 56 down to 42, the children are: **Kristin** (Greg) Goodell, teacher in Shenandoah, Iowa; **Dr. Steven** (Cheryl), doctor in Clive, Iowa; **Miles** (Judi), nurse at Floyd County Memorial Hospital, Charles City, Iowa; **Richard** (Rhonda), engineering technician at John Deere, Parkersburg, Iowa; **Marjorie** (Don) Reif, Physician Assistant and teacher at RCC, Rochester, MN; **Melanie** (Len) Butterbaugh, Assoc. Prof. At IWCC, Council Bluffs, Iowa; **Penelope** (Karl) Soucie, CPA at Genesis Health, Davenport, Iowa; **Dr. Leslie** (John) McClafin, dentist, Weatherby Lake, Missouri; **Bradley** (Julie) Nuclear Radiologist at Fairview Hospital, Maple Grove, MN; and 13 grandchildren, and 4 step great-grandchildren.

It has been great to have been a lifelong part of the school, the Methodist Church family, and the City of Parkersburg!

Picture taken January of 2004. Front row: Penny, Miles Jr., Kate, and Melanie. Back row: Marjorie, Bradley, Kristin, Miles III, Lesley, Steven, and Richard.



Golden Anniversary

Dec 1987

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hundley of Rt. 3, Cedar Falls will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Sunday, Dec. 27th with a family dinner followed by an open house from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Country Kitchen in Waverly.

Frances Corwin and Leo Hundley were married January 20, 1938 in Cedar Falls and have farmed in the Waverly and Cedar Falls areas.

Hosts for the event will be their children and families: Kenny and Edna Mae (who

will be present) from Sumter, South Carolina; Dennis and Ellen, Jim and Candy, Larry and Carolyn Donlon all of Janesville; Judy Hostetter of Cedar Falls; and their niece and her husband, Dorothy and John Holcomb of Ackley. There are eleven grandchildren and one great grandchild.

No invitations are being sent, all friends and relatives are invited to attend the open house. The couple requests no gifts, just the honor of your presence.

He is survived by his wife, Frances of R.R. 3, Cedar Falls; his five children and their spouses: Kenny & Edna Hundley of Sumter, South Carolina, Dennis & Ellen Hundley of Janesville, Judy and Tim Knudsen of Cedar Falls, Carolyn & Larry Donlon of Cedar Falls, and Jim & Candy Hundley of Waverly; 11 grandchildren: Penny, Dennis, Pam and Paula Hundley, Terri Woods and Lana Kroemer, Kadene, Kory, and Kari Donlon, and Angie & Randy Timmer; 3 great grandchildren; a special niece and her husband Dorothy & John Holcomb of Ackley; 2 sisters: Mrs. Dorothy Stafford of Shell Rock, Mrs. Clara Stafford of Waverly; and 2 brothers: Floyd Hundley and Carl Hundley both of Cedar Falls.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and seven brothers and sisters: Otto Hundley, James Hundley, Mary Stafford, Roger Hundley, Marquarite Hundley, Bertha Ridder and Delwin Hundley.

Funeral services were held Saturday, August 7, 1993 at 10:00 a.m. at the Finchford Community Bible Church, rural Janesville with Pastor Carl Lundgren officiating. Burial was in the Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Cedar Falls.

Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in Waverly was in charge of the arrangements.

AUGUST 11, 1993

LEO G. HUNDLEY

Leo G. Hundley, 82, of R.R. 3, Cedar Falls, Iowa, died early Wednesday morning, August 4, 1993 at Sartori Memorial Hospital in Cedar Falls following a massive heart attack at his home.

Leo was born on April 20, 1911, in Butler County, Iowa, near New Hartford, the son of John and Ida (Giesler) Hundley. Leo attended country school north of New Hartford, and then attended the Finchford School system. Following his schooling Leo helped his parents on the farm and also worked as a hired hand for several farmers in the Finchford and New Hartford areas.

On January 20, 1938, he was united in marriage to Frances Corwin in Cedar Falls. The couple then farmed on various farms south of Finchford, west of Cedar Falls, north of New Hartford, north of Shell Rock and north of Waverly, before settling on their present farm in 1960. Leo retired from farming in 1973 and the couple

remained living on their farm south of Finchford until his death.

Leo enjoyed his grandchildren and great grandchildren, plus his International Harvester Tractor that he started farming with in the 1940's.

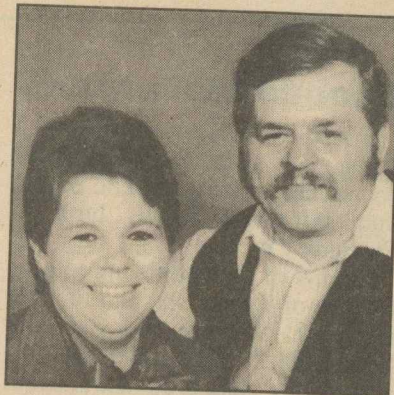
Donlon/25

CEDAR FALLS — Mr. and Mrs. Larry Donlon will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary with a family dinner at the Brown Bottle Restaurant.

Mr. Donlon and Carolyn Hundley were married Nov. 6, 1970, at Finchford Community Bible Church.

Mr. Donlon is employed by Heartland Paper Co., and Mrs. Donlon is an employee of the University of Northern Iowa.

Their children are Kadene Donlon, Kory Donlon and Kari Donlon.



Mr. and Mrs. Donlon

Frances Hundley

CEDAR FALLS — Frances Hundley will celebrate her 88th birthday with a surprise birthday open house from 1 to 3 p.m. today at Trinity Bible Church at Orchard Drive and South Main streets, Cedar Falls.

She was born Sept. 10, 1919, in rural New Hartford to Elmer and Muriel Jaquis Corwin. She married Leo Hundley Jan. 20, 1938.

Mrs. Hundley is a homemaker.

Hosting the event will be her chil-

dren and spouses, Ken and Edna Mae Hundley, Dennis and Ellen Hundley, Judy and Tim Knudsen, Carolyn and Larry Donlon and Jim and Candy Hundley. She has 11 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

No invitations are being sent, and no gifts are requested.



Frances Hundley

CEDAR FALLS — Frances Hund-

ley will celebrate her 80th birthday with a card shower and a family gathering.

She was born Sept. 10, 1919, near New Hartford, to Elmer and Muriel Corwin. She married Leo

Hundley Jan. 20, 1938, in Cedar Falls; he died Aug. 4, 1993. They farmed in the Cedar Falls and Waverly areas for 50 years.

Her family includes Ken and Edna Mae Hundley of Sumter, S.C., Dennis and Ellen Hundley of rural Cedar Falls, Jim and Candy Hundley of rural Waverly, and Carolyn and Larry Donlon and Judy and Tim Knudson, all of Cedar Falls.

There are 11 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Cards may be sent to her at 1116 W. Second St., Cedar Falls 50613.



Frances Hundley

Tuesday, Jan. 25.

Marguerite, the ten year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hundley, died Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the home of her parents northeast of New Hartford. She had been in poor health for some years and fell an easy prey to whooping cough from which she had been suffering for several weeks. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the home and at 2 o'clock from the church at Finchford. Mr. and Mrs. Hundley have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

CEDAR FALLS DEATHS

MRS. BERTHA RIDDER.

Mrs. Bertha Ridder, 36, 2216 Central Ave., North Cedar, was found dead on the basement floor of her home Tuesday at 3:30 p. m.

Death was apparently due to a heart attack, according to coroner Sidney Smith.

She was born Bertha Hundley on Dec. 27, 1921, at New Hartford; she was married to Joseph Ridder on Sept. 29, 1937.

She is survived by her mother and four children, Annalisa, Joan and Joe, at home, and Mrs. Dorothy Holcomb, Ackley.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2:30 p. m. at the Finchford Community Church, Finchford. The Rev. George Griebel now will officiate, and burial will be in Finchford cemetery.

Dahl funeral home is in charge of arrangements.

DELWIN HUNDLEY

1989
Delwin Hundley, 74, of 7909 Finchford Road, Janesville, Iowa, died Monday afternoon, July 10, 1989, at Sartori Memorial Hospital in Cedar Falls where he had been a patient since June 28.

He was born on October 5, 1914 on a farm several miles west of Finchford, the son of John and Ida Giesler Hundley. He attended the Finchford School, and then worked for the Chicago & Great Western Railroad. On January 19, 1938, he was united in marriage to Ruth Avery in the First Baptist Church Parsonage in Waverly. The couple lived in Waverly while Delwin worked for the railroad, and then moved north of Waverly Junction. Delwin went to work for the Yokom Quarry, worked for the Janesville Mill, and also owned and operated a salvage yard.

He also worked part time for the Black Hawk County Land Fill. In 1961, he and Ruth moved to their present home in Finchford and Delwin then worked for Weissman Scrap Iron & Metal Co. in Cedar Falls until retiring in 1978. He became ill in late March, 1989, and had been hospitalized several times before his death.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth, his son and daughter-in-law, Richard and Billie Hundley of Cedar Falls, his seven grandchildren, Robert Loomis, Rick Loomis, Rodney Loomis, Renae Loomis, Roger Loomis, Matthew Hundley, Jason Hundley, his 10 great-grandchildren, and his five brothers and sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Stafford of Shell Rock, Mrs. Clara Stafford of Waverly, Leo Hundley of Cedar Falls, Floyd Hundley of Cedar Falls, and Carl Hundley of Cedar Falls.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his daughter, Shirley Ann Loomis on June 29, 1984, and six brothers and sisters, Otto Hundley, James Hundley, Mary Stafford, Roger Hundley, Marguarite Hundley, and Bertha Ridder.

Funeral services will be Thursday, July 13, 2 p.m. at the Kaiser-Corson Chapel in Waverly with Pastor Brian S. Wechsler of the Finchford Community Bible Church officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Cedar Falls. Friends may call at 9 a.m. Wednesday at the Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in Waverly.

PAGE B4. WATERLOO-CEDAR FALLS COURIER SUNDAY

CEDAR FALLS — **Floyd C. Hundley**, 87, of Thly of 118 Walnut St., died at the home Thursday, July 6, of

He was born July 26, 1912, in New Hartford, son of John and Ida Giesler Hundley. He married Louise Truog on April 18, 1936, in Waverly. She died Sept. 28, 1984.

Mr. Hundley retired in 1972 from John Deere Tractor Works after 29 years.

Survived by: two sons, Floyd Jr. of Janesville and Craig A. of Waterloo; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; a brother, Carl of Cedar Falls; and a sister, Clara Stafford of Waverly.

Preceded in death by: five brothers, Jim, Roger, Otto, Delwin and Leo; and four sisters, Marguerite Hundley, Bertha Ritter, Clara Stafford and Mary Stafford.

Committal services: were 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Greenwood Cemetery. Richardson Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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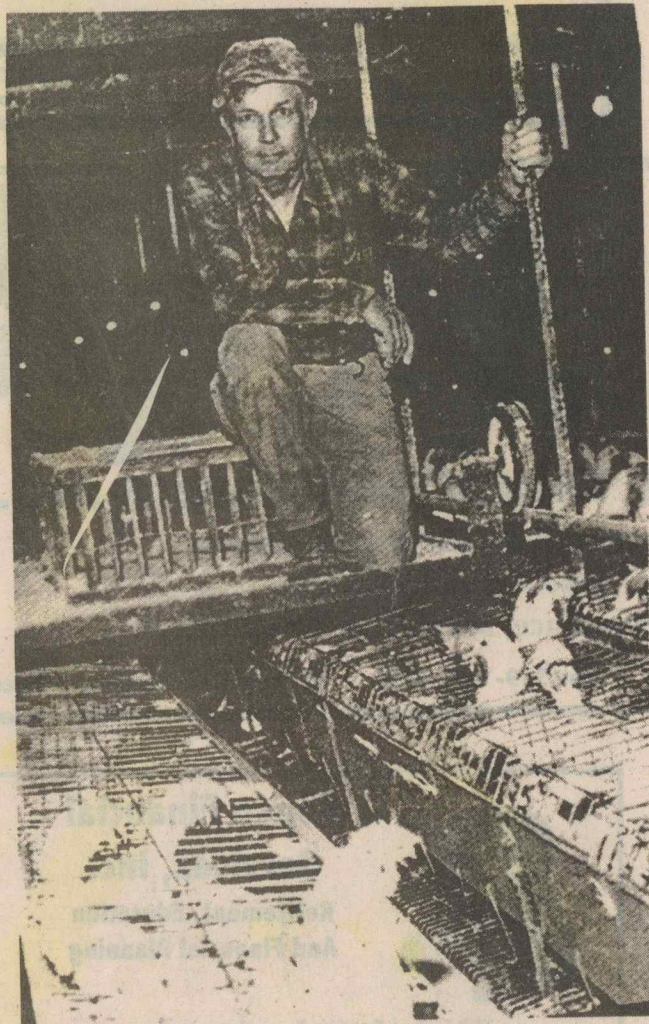
FINCHFORD — **Ruth M. Hundley**, 72, of 7909 Finchford Road, died Tuesday, April 9, at Sartori Memorial Hospital, Cedar Falls, of natural causes.

She was born Oct. 19, 1918, in Rutland, Ill., daughter of George and Louisa Stevens Avery. She married Delwin Hundley on Jan. 19, 1938, in Waverly. He died July 10, 1989.

Survivors include a son, Richard E. of Cedar Falls; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and two brothers, Vern Avery of Little Rock, Ark., and Bruce Avery of Dows. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Shirley Ann Loomis; a brother, David Avery; and two sisters, Ida Nelson and Viola Avery.

Services will be 1:30 p.m. Friday at Finchford Community Bible Church, with burial in Cedar Valley Memorial Gardens, Cedar Falls. Friends may call after 3 p.m. today at Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home, Waverly.

**Parkersburg
Business Feature**



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I. BANQUET

CALVIN S. HUNTLEY. Among the men who are actively advancing the agricultural interests of Iowa stands our subject, who occupies a leading position among the farmers of Beaver Township, Grundy County. He was born December 13, 1840, and is a son of Selden and Lovisa (Peck) Huntley, natives of Connecticut, where they were farmers by occupation. The great-grandfather of our subject, H. S. Huntley,

was also a native of the Nutmeg State, and lived to be ninety-nine years old. The maternal grandfather of our subject was Griffith Peck, likewise a native of Connecticut, where he was a well-to-do farmer.

The father of our subject was reared to man's estate in his native place, and when emigrating to Ohio, located on a farm of two hundred acres in Ashtabula County. He worked very hard in cultivating his land, and succeeded in securing a goodly amount of money, which he was so unfortunate as to lose, however, by going security for other people. He was a Whig in politics, and died when sixty-four years of age. Mrs. Lovisa Huntley received her education in the town of Old Lyme, and survived her husband many years, dying in 1868. She was a member of the Methodist Church, and reared a family of six children, of whom Calvin S., of this sketch, was the youngest. The remaining five bore the respective names of Phoebe, Parne, Mehitabel, Zipporah and Ann.

Our subject received a good education in the schools near his home in Ashtabula County, and upon completing his studies taught school for twenty-two consecutive terms. On attaining his majority he was united in marriage with Miss Lemira Fobes, likewise a native of Ashtabula County, where she was given a good education. Her parents, Levi and Vashti (Stockwell) Fobes, were natives of Connecticut, and after their removal to the above county in Ohio spent the rest of their days on the farm.

Seven children have been born to Mr. and Mrs. Huntley, viz.: Fred L., Sheridan S., Libby A., Etta B., Frank J., Jay O. and Iva M. They have all been given the best possible advantages for an education, and Miss Libby, who is teaching school at the present time, holds a state certificate. Prior

to coming to this state, Mr. Huntley owned a farm in Ohio, which he disposed of in 1859, and after his arrival here taught a term of school in New Hartford. In the fall of that year he returned to Ohio, where he was married. There he remained until 1865, when he went to Butler County and rented a farm, which he worked for two years. At the expiration of that time he made his advent into Beaver Township, this county, where he purchased eighty acres near his present home. After locating here he worked on his farm in the summer and taught school during the winter months until he could see his way clear to give his entire time and attention to his farm pursuits. This he was soon enabled to do, and he has added to his estate until he now owns one hundred and eighty acres of valuable land.

In 1862 Mr. Huntley offered his services to the Union army, enlisting as a member of Company E, One Hundred and Fifth Ohio Regiment, and went to Cleveland, Ohio, but was never mustered into service, on account of physical disability. Mr. Huntley affiliates with the Republican party, and has filled the offices of Township Assessor, Township Clerk, and was Justice of the Peace for a number of years. He has also been a member of the Board of Supervisors, and is consulted upon many affairs of public importance. Religiously he is an earnest member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which body he has been Steward and Trustee.

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If yes, will you help?

Obituary Of Mrs. Dwight L. Hutchinson

(From Lake View Resort)

Marie Frances Hutchinson was one of five children born to Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Jacobsen. She was born at Des Moines on Jan. 16, 1882. When she was seven years old, she moved with her parents to Lake View, Iowa. Here she grew to womanhood. On June 18, 1913, she was married to D. M. Hutchinson. Since then they have lived at Rapid City, S. Dak., Durango and Colorado Springs, Colo., and Manilla and New Hartford in Iowa. The family home has been at the latter place for the past ten years where Mr. Hutchinson is engaged in the mercantile business. One child, Robert Dale, has graced the home by his presence. She is survived by her husband and son, her mother Mrs. Sophia Jacobsen of Lake View, two brothers, Dr. R. A. Jacobsen of Exira, Ia., and Thos. Jacobsen of Bingham Lake, Minn. and one sister, Mrs. Carrie Armstrong of Seattle, Wash., besides more distant relatives and friends. Her father died fourteen years ago.

During her residence here as a girl and young woman she was a regular attendant of the Methodist church and during the pastorate of Rev. J. R. Tumbleson, she bowed at the altar, dedicating her life to God and his kingdom. She joined the Methodist church at New Hartford last year.

She joined the local Order of the Eastern Star and always retained her membership here. She was an enthusiastic worker in this organization.

She passed away at her home at New Hartford on Sunday, Nov. 20 following an attack of flu.

Huntleys celebrate 75 years

By CAROLYN COLE
Assistant Features Editor

Claude and Ella Huntley have adored each other for more than three-quarters of a century.

The residents of Friendship Village will celebrate their diamond wedding anniversary — 75 years — Tuesday with an open house from 2:15 to 3:30 p.m. in the village solarium. They request no gifts.

He is 96, in "pretty good" health, and lives in an apartment at the retirement center. She is 95 and a resident of the Med Center.

THEY ARE the parents of two children, Opal Case of Waterloo and Marion Huntley of Manhattan Beach, Calif. There are two grandchildren.

"Oklahoma opened up in '89 and I was born there in '90," he recalls. "My folk went there in a red wagon."

The couple's courtship lasted several years. She taught for two years in country schools in Butler and Grundy counties. They met when "Her sister was teaching school and rooming at our place. I started dating her sister, went to pick her up one night and met Ella," Claude says, smiling. They were married Dec. 16, 1911, at her parents' farm in New Hartford.

AFTER THEIR marriage, they farmed near Stout, Dike and Charles City, before losing everything during the Great Depression. Claude remembers when they worked for \$15 a month on someone else's farm and had three sacks of coal to last through an Iowa winter. Corncobs were burned for heat.

The Huntleys farmed until 1945, when they moved to Cedar Rapids and got jobs. They came to Waterloo in 1950 and he worked at Deere and Allen Hospital before becoming a house painter. "I painted for a number of years," he says. "The year I was 79, I painted the most years."

The couple moved to Friendship Village April 10, 1983. Ella had a stroke and is confined to a wheelchair. When a photographer arrives to take their picture, Claude gently touches her shoulder so

she'll turn her head to the camera ... he is her ears to the world, too.

He comes to see her three times a day, staying " 'til they put her down at night," he explains. "They are good to us and Ella has to have help."

In the evenings, they sit in the

solarium and play dominoes. Asked how he spends his days, Claude says "sleep" and laughs. "If I sit down to read I fall asleep."

Over the years, it has been Ella who has the sense of humor, Claude maintains. "I was kind of

ornery," he says, smiling. "I always had the good sense humor."

Through the 75 years they have been husband and wife, "Our experience was we never had a fight. If we didn't agree, we didn't agree, but we never had arguments."



Courier photo by BRENDA HARTLEY

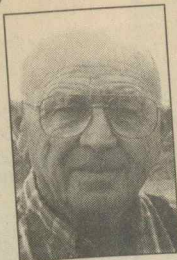
Claude and Ella Huntley

Charles W. Huntley (1916-2005)

STOUT — Charles William Huntley, 88, of Stout, died Friday, March 4, at the Grundy County Health Care System, Grundy Center.

He was born Aug. 10, 1916, son of Ray S. and Ada M. Sanselbach Huntley in Stout. He married Arlene Ehlers Aug. 10, 1937, in Hudson. She died Jan. 7, 1996. He married Barbara Steinmeyer Wical Feb. 4, 1997, in Mason City.

Mr. Huntley graduated from Nashua High School in 1935. He farmed in the New Hartford and Dike area.



**Charles
Huntley**

Survivors include: his wife; a son, Seldon (Sylvia) of Henderson, Nev.; three daughters, Charlene (Jerry) Jackson of Mason City, Janice (David) Hebrank of Hubbard and Nancy (Robert) DeVore of Bentonville, Ark.; 24 grandchildren; 45 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Lois (Marvin) Bertelsen of Sunnyville, Calif.

Preceded in death by: a son, Richard; a great-grandson; and a sister, Anita Cleveland.

Services: 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Stout Gospel Hall, Stout, with burial in Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford. Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. Monday at the church and from 9 a.m. until service time Tuesday. Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home, Waverly, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials: may be directed to Cedar Valley Hospice or to Grundy County Health Care System.

Sansenbach-Huntley

On Saturday, Dec. 16, at the home of Mrs. Anna Sansenbach, 4 miles north of New Hartford, occurred the marriage of her daughter, Ella E., to Claude J. Huntley of Grundy county. The bride was dressed in blue serge trimmed in white silk lace, and carried white roses. The groom wore a dark blue suit. Rev. W. N. Roush of Lisbon, an uncle of the bride, spoke the words that made the happy couple one. The wedding march was played by Mrs. Ray Huntley. After congratulations an excellent dinner was served to about thirty relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Huntley will make a wedding tour to Des Moines, after which they will make their home on a farm, five miles southwest of town. Mrs. Huntley is a well known young lady in this community, having taught several successful terms of school in both Grundy and Butler counties. Mr. Huntley is a very successful farmer. This young couple have the best wishes of many friends for a long and happy voyage through life. Those present from a distance:

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Huntley and Cora Vin of Waterloo; Mr. and Mrs. Will Singer and Miss Iva Huntley of Cedar Falls; Carl Geyer and Miss Kathryn K of Ft. Dodge.

Ella E. Huntley 1988

Services for Ella E. Huntley, 97, of Friendship Village, formerly of 3218 Tropic Lane, will be 1 p.m. Wednesday at Garden View Chapel with burial in Garden of Memories.

Mrs. Huntley died of natural causes Sunday (Dec. 4) at Friendship Village.

She was born May 18, 1891, in New Hartford, daughter of Henry and Annie Rauch Sansenbach. She married Claude J. Huntley on Dec. 16, 1911, in New Hartford.

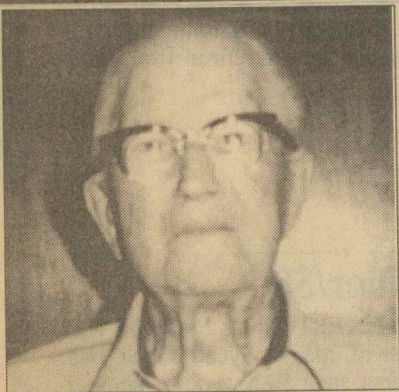
She taught school for two years.

Survivors include her husband of Friendship Village; a son, Marion of Manhattan Beach, Calif.; a daughter, Opal Case of Waterloo; a brother, William Sansenbach of Marshalltown; and four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; she was preceded in death by two brothers, three sisters and a grandson.

Friends may call from 5 to 9 p.m. today and 9 a.m. to services Wednesday at Garden View Chapel, where the family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. today.

Memorials may be made to Grace United Methodist Church.

Courier Sunday, November 25, 1990



Claude J. Huntley

Claude J. Huntley

Claude J. Huntley will celebrate his 100th birthday Dec. 4. A family get-together is planned for a later date.

Mr. Huntley lived and farmed in the Waterloo-New Hartford area all his life. He is the father of two children: Marion of California and Opal Case of Waterloo. There are four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mr. Huntley resides at Friendship Village, Room 144. Cards may be sent to him at that address.

Waterloo Courier Thursday, May 2, 1991



Claude Huntley

Huntley was born in Oklahoma Territory Dec. 4, 1890. "My folks went down to Oklahoma in a covered wagon in 1889 and took up a claim. My dad helped construct the first two buildings in Oklahoma City. They came back two years later because they had yellow fever," he recalled.

He has lived in Waterloo most of his life, working as a painter. "Never turned down a job. Not a one."

Huntley moved into Friendship Village in 1983, and admitted his key to a long life is very basic, "Believe in the Lord."

Claude J. Huntley, 104, of Friendship Village, died there Monday, Feb. 20, of natural causes.

He was born Dec. 4, 1890, in Oklahoma City, son of Sheridan S. and Minnie B. Cole Huntley. He married Ella E. Sansenbach on Dec. 16, 1911, in New Hartford. She died Dec. 4, 1988.

Mr. Huntley was a farmer for many years and later worked as a self-employed house painter.

Survived by: four granddaughters and three great-grandchildren.

Preceded in death by: a son, Marion; a daughter, Opal Case; a grandson; four brothers, Ray, Kennes, Wayne and Clifford; and two sisters, Ina Conken and Etta Haberling.

Services: 11 a.m. Wednesday at Garden View Chapel, with burial in Garden of Memories Cemetery. Friends may call from 9 a.m. until services Wednesday at the chapel.

Memorials: may be directed to Friendship Village.



**Claude
Huntley**

Sheridan Huntley Made His Will Ten Days Before Death

Sheridan S. Huntley, Cedar Falls, city clerk and justice of the peace, who was drowned in the river last

Friday night, made his will only 10 days before his tragic death. The instrument was filed for probate in district court this morning. It leaves all property to the widow, Minnie B. Huntley, to enjoy as she wishes, except that in case of her remarriage she is to get one-third, a daughter, Ina J. Konker, is to get \$25 and the balance of two-thirds of the estate is to be equally divided among other children as follows: Ray S., Claude J., Clifford C., Kenneth F., Wayne J. and Etta M. The widow is named executrix without bond.

Apparently Mr. Huntley had in

mind the double tragedy which took the lives of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Carpenter, who died at the same time in an automobile accident last winter, for he speaks of a common calamity and made provisional plans for his estate in the event

that he and his wife should die in a common calamity.

Andrew Jackson, seventh president of the United States, was robbed of mother, father and brother in the Revolutionary war.

ADA M. HUNTLEY
NEW HARTFORD — Ada M. Huntley, 95 of New Hartford, died Sunday afternoon, Sept. 2 at the Waverly hospital where she had been a patient for eight days.

Ada M. Sansenbach was born May 24, 1889 in Grundy county, the daughter of Henry and Anna Roush Sansenbach. She attended country school near New Hartford and then taught school in Grundy county. On Dec. 31, 1910 she was married to Ray S. Huntley near New Hartford. They spent their married life farming in Butler, Black Hawk, Floyd and Grundy counties before retiring in 1973 when they moved to New Hartford where Ada lived until her death.

She was a member of the New Hartford United Methodist church, and a member of the Robert Olmstead Women's Relief Corps No. 228 in New Hartford.

Survivors include one son, Charles Huntley of Stout; one daughter, Mrs. Marvin (Lois) Bertelson of Sunnyvale, Calif.; two sisters, Mary Van Hauen of Cedar Falls and Ella Huntley of Waterloo; one brother, Will Sansenbach of Marshalltown, 14 grandchildren, 46 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Ray on Feb. 22, 1980, one son, Harold Huntley, one daughter, Anita Cleveland, three grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 5 at the New Hartford United Methodist Church with Rev. Willis E. Grant and Paul Elliott officiating. Burial will be in the Oak Hill Cemetery in New Hartford. Friends may call at the Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in New Hartford.

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Ray S. Huntley, 91 of New Hartford, Iowa, died early Friday morning, February 22, at his home in New Hartford.

Ray was born on January 21, 1889, near Stout, Iowa, the son of Sheridan and Minnie (Cole) Huntley. When he was only about one year old, he went with his parents to homestead in Oklahoma during the Land Rush. About one year later they moved back to Iowa and Ray attended country schools in several locations in Iowa and later went to Iowa Normal School in Cedar Falls. He farmed with his parents and on December 31, 1910 he was married to Ada M. Sansenbach near New Hartford. They spent their married life farming in Butler, Black Hawk, Floyd, and Grundy Counties before retiring in 1973 when they moved to New Hartford. Ray was a member of the New Hartford United Methodist Church.

Ray was preceded in death by his parents, one son, Harold, two brothers, two sisters, two grandsons, and one great, great-granddaughter. He is survived by his wife, Ada, one son, Charles Huntley of Stout, two daughters, Mrs. Anita Cleveland of Ionia, Iowa, and Mrs. Marvin (Lois) Bertelson of Sunnyvale, California. Also by two brothers, Claude Huntley of Waterloo, and Kennes Huntley of Toeterville, Iowa, and by fourteen grandchildren, forty-six great-grandchildren, and six great, great-grandchildren.

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JANUARY 10, 1996

ARLENE M. HUNTLEY

Arlene M. Huntley, 78, of 210 South St., Stout, Iowa, died suddenly Sunday, January 7, 1996 at her home.

She was born on May 30, 1917 near Reinbeck, Iowa, the daughter of Emil and Irene (Strohbehn) Ehlers. After a short time in the Dinsdale area, the family moved to the Dysart area. They later moved to the Orange Township district, south of Waterloo, where Arlene graduated from Orange Township High School.

On August 10, 1937, she was united in marriage to Charles Huntley in rural Hudson. In 1939 the couple moved to a farm in New Hartford, where Charles farmed for many years, and Arlene was a homemaker. On February 6, 1944, she was saved during a gospel meeting in Stout Gospel Hall. Going out of the meeting that night, she told brother Oliver Smith that she had never understood that when the Lord Jesus cried from the cross, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do", that He had meant her. The next day Oliver told her husband that when she said that, she was on holy ground. Later that summer she was baptized and received into the Stout Assembly, where she remained until the day of her death.

Arlene is survived by her husband, Charles; her children, Sheldon and Sylvia Huntley of Las Vegas, Nevada, Charlene and Jerry Jackson of Mason City, Iowa, Janice and David Hebrank of Allerton, Iowa, and Nancy and Robert DeVore of Bentonville, Arkansas; 10 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, Richard; her parents; a brother, Harold; a sister Iva Vokoun; and one great-grandson Jake.

Services will be held Wednesday, January 10, 1996 at 1:30 p.m. at the Stout Gospel Hall in Stout, Iowa. Burial will be in the Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford, Iowa. Memorials may be directed to the family.

Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home in Cedar Falls is in charge of arrangements.

Charles W. Huntley (1916-2005)

STOUT — Charles William Huntley, 88, of Stout, died Friday, March 4, at the Grundy County Health Care System, Grundy Center.

He was born Aug. 10, 1916, son of Ray S. and Ada M. Sansenbach Huntley in Stout. He married Arlene Ehlers Aug. 10, 1937, in Hudson. She died Jan. 7, 1996. He married Barbara Steinmeyer Wical Feb. 1, 1993, in Mason City.

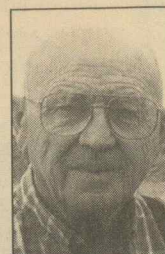
Mr. Huntley graduated from Nashua High School in 1935. He farmed in the New Hartford and Dike area.

Survivors include: his wife; a son, Seldon (Sylvia) of Henderson, Nev.; three daughters, Charlene (Jerry) Jackson of Mason City, Janice (David) Hebrank of Hubbard and Nancy (Robert) DeVore of Bentonville, Ark.; 24 grandchildren; 45 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; and a sister, Lois (Marvin) Bertelsen of Sunnyville, Calif.

Preceded in death by: a son, Richard; a great-grandson; and a sister, Anita Cleveland.

Services: 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Stout Gospel Hall, Stout, with burial in Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford. Friends may call from 2 to 8 p.m. Monday at the church and from 9 a.m. until service time Tuesday. Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home, Waverly, is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials: may be directed to Cedar Valley Hospice or to Grundy County Health Care System.



**Charles
Huntley**

Home Care Aide Recognition.....

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Clarence and Vera Hurst, New Hartford, have recently celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary. They are pictured with HCA Suzy Wubbena of Allison. 85 year old Clarence states this about Home Care Aides Thola Tjabring and Suzy Wubbena, "They are the best! They've done me so much good-I can't say enough good about them."
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Vera A. Hurst (1911-2006)

NEW HARTFORD — Vera A. Hurst, 94, of New Hartford, died Wednesday, May 10, at the Allison Health Care Center, Allison.

She was born June 16, 1911, near Mt. Ayr, daughter of Albert and Inez Marshall Casady. She married Clarence Hurst Aug. 9, 1933, in Park Rapids, Minn. He died Nov. 10, 1998.

She graduated from high school in Park Rapids and then went to work for the Tuberculosis Sanitarium, Walker, Minn. Mrs. Hurst and her husband ran a malt shoppe, bakery and later the Benson General Store.

Survived by: three daughters, Betty (Ray) Ackerson of New Hartford, Elaine Kelsey of Akeley, Minn., and Ardy (Dean) Avenson of Cedar Falls; two sons, Donald (Erika) of Cedar Falls and Harold (Irene); 10 grandchildren; 21 great-grandchildren; and 21 great-great-grandchildren; a brother, Allen Casady of Waverly; and a sister, Grace Messer of Henning, Minn.

Preceded in death by: a son-in-law, Franklin Kelsey; three granddaughters; and two sisters, Babe Thiel and Alta Messer.

Services: 1:30 p.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church, with burial in Oak Hill Cemetery, both in New Hartford. Public visitation from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday at Kaiser-Corson Funeral Home, Shell Rock, and for an hour before services Saturday at the church.

Memorials: may be directed to the church.

Condolences may be left at www.kaisercorson.com.



Vera Hurst

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTICE and Notice to Creditors

In the District Court of Iowa
in and for Butler County,
Probate No. 85PR018325
In the Estate of Robert Freese,
Deceased.

To All Persons Interested in
the Estate of Robert Freese,
Deceased, who died on or
about January 11, 2006:

You are hereby notified that
on the 24th day of April
2006, the Last Will and
Testament of Robert Freese
deceased, bearing date of the
19th day of October, 1994,
was admitted to probate in
the above named court and
that Delbert A. Miller was
appointed Executor of the
estate. Any action to set aside
the Will must be brought in
the District Court of said
county within the later to
occur of four months from
the date of the above
publication of this notice or
one month from the date of
reading of this notice to all
heirs of the decedent and
devisees under the Will
whose identities are
reasonably ascertainable, or
thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that
all persons indebted to the
estate are requested to make
immediate payment to the
undersigned, and creditors
having claims against the
estate shall file them with the
Clerk of the above named



Vera Hurst

Vera A. Hurst, of New Hartford, Iowa, died Wednesday morning, May 10, 2006, at the Allison Health Care Center, Allison, Iowa.

She was born on June 16, 1911 near Mt. Ayr, Iowa, the daughter of Albert and Inez (Marshall) Casady. She graduated from high school in Park Rapids, Minnesota, and then went to work for the Tuberculosis Sanitarium in Walker, Minnesota. It was while working at the sanitarium that she met her future husband, Clarence Hurst, and the couple was united in marriage on August 9, 1933, in Park Rapids. In 1937 they moved to Iowa and settled in Cedar Falls. In 1955 they moved to New Hartford and over the next years Vera and Clarence together ran a Malt Shoppe, bakery and later the Benson General Store. In 1995 the couple moved to the Allison Care Center where Clarence died on November 10, 1998.

Vera was a member of the First Baptist Church, New Hartford, where she had taught Sunday school and played the organ. She was a very talented musician, playing organ, piano and flute. She also enjoyed crocheting, embroidery and raising her garden. Vera was a great hostess and on the holidays she would hold the family dinners after which they would gather around the piano and sing for hours. She was a jack-of-all trades and could even shingle the roof.

She is survived by her three daughters, Betty (Ray) Ackerson of New Hartford, Elaine Kelsey of Akeley, Minnesota, Ardy (Dean) Avenson of Cedar Falls; two sons, Donald (Erika) Hurst of Cedar Falls and Harold (Irene) Hurst who are full-time RV'ers. She is also survived by 10 grandchildren; 21 great grandchildren; and 21 great-great grandchildren, one sister, Grace Messer of Henning, Minnesota, and one brother, Allen Casady of Waverly, Iowa. She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Clarence; one son-in-law, Franklin Kelsey; three granddaughters, and two

daughters, Babe Thiel and Alta Messer.

Funeral services were at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 13, 2006, at the First Baptist Church, New Hartford, with Pastor Ben Epley officiating. Burial was in the Oak Hill Cemetery, New Hartford. Memorials may be directed to the church and condolences may be left at www.kaisercorson.com.

Area friends who were invited to the funeral include: Amy Kuchner, Arden Kuchner, Pam Severino, Melissa Benke, Watson Steen, and the Stensens.

Several area schools were among those named friends in the statewide "Protect Iowa Youth: Prepare Because You Know" contest sponsored by the Iowa Department of Public Health.

The funeral was open to loved ones, seventh and eighth graders, and nearly 150 papers were submitted.

Area schools include New Hampton Middle School, New Hampton, and Charles City Middle School, Charles City.