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For Iowa Legislators

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the banking department in 1941.

During that period no new receiverships have been opened and 17 have been closed. Ellis expects all but two of the remaining receiverships to be closed during 1943. The 10 still open are three in Davenport, two in LeMars, and one each in Burlington, Adel, Creston, Dexter and Fairfield.

Those closed during the last year: three at Cedar Rapids, two at Williamsburg, and one each at Fort Dodge, Decorah, Pella, Burlington, Oskaloosa, Davenport, Russell, Lansing, Chariton, Ankeny, Clinton and Fairfield.

18-19 Year Olds

Such a wave of disapproval broke forth from many quarters during the time it first became known that 18 and 19 year old boys would be taken into the army, says Lt. Col. Robert S. Shane, medical advisor of Iowa selective service headquarters, that leading psychiatrists of the nation were consulted to get their view of the popular belief that the younger men's nervous systems would be exhausted so that they could no longer carry on their duties after the war, if they were to be taken.

"These men are all noted psychiatrists," says Colonel Shane, "and hold important positions at the top of their professions." He quoted their letter:

"Speaking as individuals," the psychiatrists wrote, "we wish to assure the public and parents of this age group that there are no grounds for apprehension as to the effect of military service on these younger men as distinguished from the older men.

"Such statistics as are available indicate that the incidence of mental breakdown is no greater in the 18 and 19 year age group than in the older group.

"If anything it is somewhat less. It would seem to us that the proposal passed by the American Congress does not unduly compromise the future mental integrity of this particular age group or of the nation.

"With the government realizing and properly assuming this increased responsibility, we endorse favorable action upon the proposal to include men of 18 and 19 years under the selective service act."

Colonel Shane then added: "We in selective service are very proud of the men in the armed forces, and it is stated around our headquarters that the young men are not the ones who are letting us down, but if anything, it is the men of mature age."

Bonuses

Iowa recognized its men who served in World War I by passing an act which gave each of them 50 cents for each day he was in service, up to a limit of \$350.

This cost the state about \$22,000,000 and the bonds which financed the bonus have been retired by a special .27 of a mill levy.

The World War I veterans also were given a \$500 exemption on the assessed valuation of their homes, which has meant no little down through the years, and they were given preference in certain positions.

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service, Rep. Arch W. McFarlane, Waterloo, has come forward with the idea that the legislature should begin with the next session to provide for the payment of a bonus to the Iowans in service in World War I and to include them in other exemptions given to World War I veterans.

McFarlane feels that Iowans will get a head start by passing the legislation now so that it could be submitted to the people at the next general election, and, if passed, be ready to go into immediate operation by the time the next legislature meets.

In other words, the state is now at the point where it can begin to think of paying cash rather than going into debt for the cash.

Collected

Kenneth Neu, Mason City, who was named as a special assistant attorney general in charge of claims by the last legislature, is going to turn in a report of his activities that will determine whether the job will be continued by the ensuing legislature.

He has charge of collecting or compromising claims the state has against others, and of investigating claims others have against the state.

In the first category, he inherited some 250 unsettled payments for audits of city, town and school districts over Iowa, amounting to about \$55,000. These districts were protesting the charges for state audits made between 1933 and 1938.

So far Neu has closed the books on about 175 of these and has collected about \$30,000. He figures another \$45,000 will be collected before he finishes.

On the other hand, he has investigated many claims made against the state. These normally are made direct to the legislature and often are paid without extensive investigation.

A study will show that his investigations undoubtedly will save the state money.

Twenty-five Years Ago

Items, Way Back in 1917. Taken From Dec. 27, Files of Enterprise

A deal was completed last week whereby the Sheehan implement business was sold to H. F. Sipton who will take possession January 1.



Greetings to you

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this transaction Mr. Sipton became the owner of the stock, the building and the lot of which it stands. Hillson Joe, expects to return from Montana and be associated with him in the business.

The Upper Iowa University cadets are to have guns with which to drill in the near future. Orders have already been sent in and the guns are expected this week. The guns are wooden ones and an exact model of the regular army rifle. A number of Iowa colleges are using the same style guns in connection with their military training schedule.

Mrs. Will Crowe and son Richard and his wife left Friday night for a visit with Everett Crowe, who is in the U. S. service and has been at Camp Mills, New York, for several weeks.

A letter received from Roy O'Brien, a former Clermont boy, states that he is now in the Engineers Corps and at Camp Devans, near Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Crowe of Wallace, Idaho, came last Thursday for a visit with Clermont friends and relatives.

Commending officers at camps and cantonments have been instructed to discourage furloughs in large numbers for the Christmas holidays. Secretary Baker denies that Christmas furloughs had been forbidden entirely by the War Dept. but said they were discouraged both on account of transportation conditions and because training might be seriously affected if many men were absent.

Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Becker of Atlantic, came last Friday to spend the holidays at the Dr. F. Becker home.

The entire faculty of our school except Prof. Breckner, left Saturday for their respective homes to spend the two weeks holiday vacation.

Mrs. Jack Frisbie and Hazel, were guests of Clermont relatives a couple

Obituary of John Learn

Funeral services were held at the West Clermont Lutheran church Saturday afternoon, for John Learn, who passed away at the West Union hospital Wednesday, Dec. 23, following an operation on Monday. He had been ill only a few days. Rev. Baldwin, Methodist minister of West Union, officiated. Billy Johnson of West Union, was organist, and Mrs. Woods, West Union, was soloist.

Mr. Learn, son of John and Anne Learn, was born in Dover township, Oct. 13, 1878. Thus at the time of his death he had reached the age of sixty-four years, two months and nine days. He was a member of the Evangelical church.

He was engaged in farming all his life, and had lived on a farm between Clermont and West Union since he was four years old, and was a member of the school board of that district for seventeen years.

In March, 1908, he was united in marriage to Mertie Anderson. To this union three children, one son and two daughters, were born. The son preceded him in death as did also a brother, Dolph, a nephew and a sister-in-law. His widow and the two daughters, Evelyn and Doris, both at home, survive him in addition to other relatives and a wide circle of friends.

Interment was made in the Clermont cemetery.

Clermont Local News

Dinner guests in the Harry Gunderson home Christmas were, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Olson of Waterloo, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stolle and family of near West Union.

Mr. and Mrs. Orval Sullivan and Marilyn, of Elkader, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lubke of Postville, were supper guests Christmas of the ladies' mother, Mrs. Mary Gruver.

Luella Miller, who teaches at Ft. Madison, spent her Christmas vacation last week in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Miller.

Herman Buraas was brought home from the Postville hospital Monday where he had been confined with a fractured hip since Dec. 10. He is being cared for at the home of his son, Alfred Buraas.

Andine Vasby entertained at a dinner on Christmas day. Her guests were, Mrs. Arthur Blockhus and Joseph, of Reedsburg, Wis., Mr. and Mrs. Otto Vasby and Pvt. Ray Vasby.

Ralph Moen, Postville, and Pvt. Donald Granneman of Chicago, spent Christmas eve at the Martin Anderson home.

Emma Gunderson spent from Friday until Monday in the home of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Thore Thompson, at Wadena.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnell Anderson, Donald and Judy, Ralph Moen and Anna Anderson of Postville, and Eleanor Anderson of Cedar Rapids, were dinner guests Christmas at the Martin Anderson home.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Henderson took their daughter, Mrs. Fredrickson, to Rockwell, Iowa, for a visit. She returned to her home here after spending the week end at her home here.

Evelyn Thompson of Chicago, who is employed by the United Air Lines, came Christmas morning to spend her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thore Thompson at Wadena. She returned to her work Monday night.

Eleanor Anderson of Cedar Rapids, came Wednesday and visited until Friday in the parental, Martin Anderson home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thore Thompson of Wadena, had the following as their dinner guests Christmas: Emma Gunderson, Tillman Thompson, Mae Gulsvig, Mr. and Mrs. Orvin Thompson, Evelyn, Floyd and Earl Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Nelson went to Clintonville, Wis., Christmas eve to spend the week end with Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Schroeder and family. They returned home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Peterson and Gladys, Mr. and Mrs. Ole C. Peterson and Sadie, and Mrs. Helen Osmundson, LeAnna and Arlene, were dinner guests Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Olson and family of Decorah, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lundy and Dale, Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Olson and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Olson and daughters, two birthday anniversaries were observed at this gathering, the first birthday of Loren Olson and the fifth birthday of Mary Jeanette Olson.

Mrs. Eureka Burrow and August and Albert, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Griebengow and Danila, were guests at a luteal supper at the Wm. Burrow home Christmas eve.

Mrs. Helen Osmundson, LeAnna and Arlene, were dinner guests Saturday in the Lars Osmundson home near West Union.

Mrs. Bertina Buraas and Simon Nelson had as their guests at a Christmas dinner Sunday, Mrs. Carolyn Erickson and Selmer, Mr. and Mrs. Mellien Loftsgard and Tony, Lyle and Clarice Aanes and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Aanes and family. In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Buraas and family joined the group

on which they spent 48 hours. They were transferred to a French cruiser and taken to French Morocco for internment. They have been released by the U. S. forces taking part in the North African offensive.

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