

## MRS. A. T. REDDING ANSWERS SUMMONS

CIVIL WAR VETERAN DIES AT HOME OF HIS DAUGHTER IN CEDAR RAPIDS.

### DEATH OF LORETTA MAY FULLER

Mrs. Wilhelmina Schultz Dies at Home of Daughter, Mrs. R. A. Jacob, in this City.

Mrs. A. T. Redding, one of the early day settlers of Earlville, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Dudley, early last Friday morning, April 11th, 1919. Mrs. Redding had been seriously ill for about two weeks, but had regained sufficient strength to be able to be about the home on Thursday, and her family had every reason to believe that she had passed the critical point and was on the road to complete recovery. Early Friday morning the summons came almost without warning, and she passed peacefully away.

Funeral services were held at the Dudley home Sunday afternoon, at 2:30. Rev. W. J. Suckow preaching the funeral sermon. The remains were then placed in the receiving vault in Oakland cemetery, and will be later taken to Earlville, and laid to rest in the family lot beside the remains of the husband, who passed away in October 1905.

Mary E. Martz was born January 26th, 1841, in Wayne County Ohio, near Wooster. When she was a mere child her family moved to Indiana, and while living in Indiana she was united in marriage with Mr. A. T. Redding, on December 16th, 1859. In 1867 Mrs. Redding and her husband came to Dixon, Illinois, and in March, 1870, they came to Delaware County, and located in Earlville. Earlville was their home for a great many years, and it was there that she labored faithfully in church and social circles for many years. Following the death of her husband in 1905 Mrs. Redding came to Manchester and made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Dudley.

Mrs. Redding was a woman beloved by a large circle of friends. Her sunny disposition and gentle manner won for her the undying friendship of everyone she came in contact with. For many years she has been a member of the Congregational church of Earlville and later of Manchester, and also an honored member of the Eastern Star.

Mrs. Redding is survived by one son, L. C. Redding of Waterloo, and one daughter, Mrs. W. L. Dudley, of this city. She is also survived by three brothers, L. M. Martz of Bluffton, Indiana; Smith Martz of Council Grove, Kansas; E. H. Martz of Kansas City, Mo.; and one sister, Mrs. Ella Shawman of Hastings, Michigan.

Among the relatives and friends here from a distance to attend the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. John Healy of Mt. Auburn, Iowa; Newton Wilkin of La Porte City, Iowa; J. W. Healey of Mt. Auburn, Iowa; Ewton Wilkin, Harold Wilkin and Mrs. Arthur Young all of Monticello. Numerous old time neighbors and friends from Earlville were also here for the funeral. L. H. Martz, the brother living in Kansas City was at the funeral.

Sincere sympathy is felt for the daughter and son, in the great sorrow that has come to them because of the death of a kind and loving mother.

## CIVIL WAR VETERAN ANSWERS SUMMONS

William J. Millette, a veteran of the Civil War, and well known in Manchester, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Dora Wilson, in Cedar Rapids, April 13th, 1919, after a brief illness. Funeral services were held at the Wilson home Monday afternoon, the pastor of the United Brethren church having charge of the services. The remains were brought to Manchester on Tuesday morning, and interment made in Oakland cemetery. Rev. Mr. Beatty conducted the services at the grave.

William J. Millette was born in Adrian, Michigan, October 12th, 1834. In an early day he came to Delaware County and located on a farm near Forestville. Here he resided until 1882, when he came to Manchester. In 1899 he left Manchester and went to Cedar Rapids to make his home with his daughter, Mrs. Dora Wilson, at which home his death occurred last week.

In 1862 Mr. Millette enlisted in the army joining Company F, 25th Regiment Iowa Volunteers, and served his country faithfully until the close of the war.

He is survived by the following children: W. B. Millette and Hiram Millette of Long Beach, California; Mrs. Wilson of Cedar Rapids. He also leaves one brother, Rufus Millette of Lamont. E. D. Millette of Indianapolis and Mrs. Wilson and daughters, Misses Florence and Ruth, accompanied the remains to Manchester Tuesday morning. The sons from California, and the aged brother living at Lamont were unable to attend the funeral services. Besides the three sons and one daughter, Mr. Millette is also survived by ten grand children and four great grand children.

When sixteen years of age Mr. Millette united with the Methodist Episcopal church and remained a faithful and devout adherent of that faith. During the later years of his life he affiliated with the United Brethren church in Cedar Rapids, it being loca-

ed to his home and making it possible for him to attend services more regularly. He also took a keen interest in Sunshine mission of Cedar Rapids.

## LORETTA MAY FULLER

Loretta May, oldest child of Mr. and C. A. Fuller, of Coffins Grove township, died at the home of her parents, on April 10th, 1919, after an illness of only four days. The young woman was stricken with paralysis, and previous to that time had been in the best of health. Funeral services were held at the family home on Saturday, April 12th, 1919 in Coffins Grove, and interment was made in the cemetery at Masonville. Rev. Mr. Whorton, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church of Masonville, had charge of the services. Miss Fuller was born in Richland County, near Richland Center, Wisconsin, July 12th, 1887. She came with the parents to Coffins Grove township, in December, 1893. She has spent all of her life on the home farm. She was devoted to her parents and the younger children of the family, and was ambitious and assisted with the work in the home, as only a devoted daughter can.

She leaves to mourn her untimely passing the parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Fuller, six brothers, William, of Gillman, Wisconsin; Francis, who is with the expeditionary forces in France; Roy, Bentley, Oliver, Marion, and one sister, Velma, all at home. The brother living at Gillman came home for the funeral. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Masonville, and was a regular attendant upon all of the services. In her untimely death the family suffers a great loss, and in the sorrow that has come to the home the sympathy of the entire community goes out to those who were attached to the young woman by tender family ties.

## WILHELMINA SCHULTZ

Mrs. Wilhelmina Schultz, mother of Mrs. R. A. Jacob, passed away at the Jacobs home in this city on April 8th, 1919, after a lingering illness. Funeral services were held from the home, Rev. Eugene Melchert, pastor of the Lutheran churches of Ryan and Manchester, preached the funeral sermon. Interment was made in Oakland cemetery.

Mrs. Schultz was born in Mechenburg, Germany, and came to America with the parents when a baby. Her parents located at Milwaukee, Wis., and from there they went to Ohio. In 1882 the family located in Honey Creek township until 1910, when they came to Manchester.

Mrs. Schultz is survived by three children, T. J. and F. H. Schultz of Edgewood, and Mrs. R. A. Jacob of Manchester. She also leaves to mourn her death her aged father, Carl Peters, and one sister, Mrs. L. A. Sackett of Arlington. Eight grand children and one step-grand son survive her.

Mrs. Schultz was a devout member of the Lutheran church, and was a faithful attendant at the services until prevented by ill health. She was a kind and loving wife and mother, and her passing brings a great sorrow to those who loved her.

## JUNIOR CLASS PLAY

The Junior Class of the Manchester High School will give their annual play "The Rose of Plymouth Town," on the evenings of April 22 and 23. Tickets are now on sale at Philip's drug store. Admission 25c and 4c war tax. Seats in the balcony can be procured at the ticket office for 25c with 3c war tax.

The following is the cast of characters: Miles Standish -----Merle Carner  
Garret Foster -----Joe Nieman  
John Margeson -----Raymond Hare  
Philip de la Noye -----Glenn Houston  
Resolute Story -----Sarah McRoberts  
Miram Chillingley -----Floy Hockaday  
Barbara Standish -----Helen Porteous  
Rose de la Noye -----Agnes Bradley

## \$2,000.00 REWARD

On Wednesday Morning, April 9th, 1919, at about one o'clock a. m., someone called James S. Wait, of Edgewood, Iowa, to the door of his home and shot him, mortally wounding him, with a 38 calibre revolver. Two Thousand Dollars reward is offered for the apprehension and conviction of the guilty party. The money is now in our hands for that purpose. Get busy.

## GEORGE LOSCH, Sheriff

Elkader, Iowa

## CIRCUS HERE ON TUESDAY APRIL 29th.

Say boys, the circus is coming to town on Tuesday, April 29th. On that date Yankee Robinson's big wild animal show will exhibit on the Fair Grounds. On another page of this issue you will find a detailed announcement of the show and what you will see.

## MINSTREL SHOW IS BIG SUCCESS.

The Minstrel performances given at the City Opera House last Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings attracted crowded houses each evening, and gave general satisfaction as the entertainments that the K. P. Boys put on always do.

## EASTER WEEK SPECIALS.

D. J. Meggenburg gives a long list of specials for Easter in his space on another page of this issue. Our readers should read his advertisement, and note the prices quoted.

## EDGEWOOD MAN SHOT BY UNKNOWN MAN

JAMES S. WAIT VICTIM OF ASSASSIN'S BULLET WHEN HE OPENS DOOR.

### IS STILL IN CRITICAL CONDITION

No Clue to Assassinn. \$2,000 Reward is Offered For Arrest of Guilty Party.

James S. Wait, one of the well known citizens of our neighboring city of Edgewood, has been in a critical condition as a result of a wound inflicted by a 38-calibre bullet, fired into Mr. Wait's neck by some unknown party, at an early hour on the morning of April 9th. For a time it was feared that the injury would prove fatal. At this time members of the family have hopes of Mr. Wait's recovery. Officers from Clayton county have been working diligently on the case, but at this time no clue as to the guilty party has been established.

A reward of \$2,000 has been offered by the family for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the guilty party. The Edgewood Journal of last week gave the following account of the affair: "For a law-abiding citizen to answer a rap on his door at one o'clock in the morning and be shot down in cold blood without a word or moment's warning by the assassin seems to be an event of the dark ages, and yet that is what happened to James S. Wait at his home here in Edgewood yesterday morning, April 9th.

"About one o'clock in the morning, Mr. and Mrs. Wait were awakened by a knock at their front door, and Jim tot up to answer it. He turned on the light and as he approached the door he asked what was wanted, but received no reply. Going to the inside door, he opened it and with his foot pushed the storm door open when he saw a man, rather stout and smooth shaven, reach out from behind the storm door and fire a revolver directly at him. The bullet struck Mr. Wait near the shoulder on his right side, causing him to fall but fortunately not killing him. Mrs. Wait rushed to his side, turned off the light and quickly called for assistance on the telephone. Neighbors responded at once and assisted in getting the wounded man onto a bed and summoned Drs. Gray and Hanson.

As soon as they saw that Mr. Wait was not mortally wounded, search was made to see what clue could be found of the man who did the shooting, and although it was raining at the time, they found fresh heel prints leading north, past J. M. Robinson's home. Sheriff Lush of Elkader was immediately notified and he and Deputy Sheriff Porter arrived about ten o'clock. In the meantime F. M. Shores at Waterloo was notified to send his bloodhounds and Perry Fry, the trainer, arrived on the nine o'clock train with two of them.

As soon as the sheriff came the dogs were taken to the Wait home, started on the scent from one of the heel prints (which had been covered with a tin can) and took up the trail. They went north past the Robinson house a short distance and then turned into the field. To all appearances the man walked around in the field there waiting for the opportune time to do his dastardly crime, as from there the hounds tracked him in a southerly direction right to the Wait home and around the northwest side of the house to the southwest door where the shooting was done. The dogs were so persistent in their work and gave such clear evidence, it was determined that there must have been a horse waiting for the assassin north of Robinson's, as it was impossible for the dogs to trail the scent further.

"Although the bullet was fired from a 38 calibre revolver at close range yet Mr. Wait did not lose consciousness and was able to converse with his family and friends all day and up to a late hour last night. Dr. Gray located the bullet and succeeded in extracting it during the forenoon, and it is now in the hands of the proper officials. Mr. Wait was badly wounded and in a serious condition, but as he is a strong man physically, he still has a fighting chance for his life."

## NOTICE CATTLE FEEDERS' DAY

To be held at the Iowa Experiment Station at Ames, Iowa, April 29, 1919. Seven groups of two year old steers which have been on feed for four months will be judged. Discussions will be given relative to the various ways in which they have been managed and the feeds fed. Expert cattle men, buyers and sellers from the stock yards will place actual valuation on these cattle, give talks and answer feeders' questions.

It is a good time to pick up some ideas regarding feeding cattle.

## HOME BAKING SALE.

Bread, cakes, pies, baked beans, and all good eats at Schachner's & Kramer's grocery Saturday, April 19th, from 10 A. M. until all are sold. Don't take at home this Saturday; patronize us. — W. C. T. U.

## TEN DAYS OF FOUL WEATHER.

During the past ten days it has rained and rained and today a light snow is falling. Farm work has been greatly retarded by this spell of bad weather not alone in this section but all over the country.

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Lutheran. Regular preaching service next Sunday afternoon at two o'clock in the Presbyterian church.

St. Paul's. S. S. at 2:30 P. M. Preaching by Rev. McDonald.

Baptist. Sunday morning subject—"Resurrection." Evening—"Trust, or Only Believe." Extra music at morning services.

Congregational. Sunday school at 10 A. M. Preaching at 11 A. M. This will be an Easter service, with special music by choir and members of the Sunday school. The theme of the pastor's sermon will be "Immortality." Meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 P. M. Evening service at 7:30 P. M. At this service the pastor will deliver an illustrated lecture on Oliver Cromwell and his service to Democracy.

Presbyterian Church. Special Easter services next Sunday morning, with special music by the choir. The sermon subject will be "Jesus Lifted Up." This service will interest the boys and girls, and they are cordially invited to come. The evening services will also be appropriate to the Easter. The Christian Endeavor Society will hold a Sunrise Praise service, Sunday morning at 7 o'clock.

Methodist Church. Sunday services at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Morning topic: Easter Sermon. Sunday school at 12 M. Epworth and Senior Leagues at 6:30 P. M.

In the evening the following musical program will be given:

Prelude: (A) Revere Angelique - Rubinstein

(B) Spring Song, Mendelssohn

Mrs. Charlotte Davis

Easter Hymn, No. 156. -Congregation

Prayer. -Rev. S. R. Beatty

Solo "Easter Song" -Mrs. Beatty

Mrs. Mel Richardson

Duet "The Saviour Liveth Wilson

Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Amnden

Offertory "Easter Carol" -Grey

Mrs. Charlotte Davis

Solo "With Faith Triumphant" -Ashford

Mrs. Robert Harris

Address. -Rev. S. R. Beatty

Solo "The Women at the Tomb" -Warner

Mr. Cal Martin

Quartette "Consider the Lilies" -Excell

Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Amnden, Mr. Smith and Mr. Wilson

Postlude Scherzoso -Rogers

Mrs. Charlotte Davis

## VETERAN RAILROAD MAN VISITS MANCHESTER.

Mr. B. Gilles of Fort Dodge, is spending a few days visiting old-time friends in Manchester. Mr. Gilles is a retired official of the Illinois Central, having spent 42 years in the service of that company. He commenced as a section man and worked his way up to the position of Division Superintendent, and at one time had charge of the important construction work for the company on one of its southern divisions.

Mr. Gilles married Miss Margaret Reardon, who was born here in Manchester and both of his children were born in this city.

## BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES.

During the past few months members of the Breeders' Association have been importing pure bred livestock to quite an extent. We understand that the following have imported several animals that rank well up in their respective breeds.

Purchasers of Shorthorns: Martin Fitzpatrick, Bert Fitzpatrick, Mrs. E. W. Neiderfrank, Mr. Chas. Swindell, W. B. Robinson, T. S. McRoberts. Herefords: E. E. Boxwell, Brooks Bros.

Angus: J. W. Robinson & Sons, Farley Kennedy.

Hog Production: Howard Cook, Ed. Cook, George Banta, Frank Sly, J. B. Wilson, Albert Donahue, Orris Miller.

The livestock which has been purchased by these men has set a precedent in the annals of livestock production in Delaware County, over \$10,000 has been spent in purchasing of pure bred livestock. Other importations have been made by the dairy men, Elmer Lux of Hopkinton having purchased last fall a complete herd of Guernsey cattle in Wisconsin. Other purchases may have been made but we do not have a record at this office.

The slogan of the pure bred breeders has been "When you buy, buy something good!"

## AT THE PLAZA THEATRE.

Wednesday, "The Biggest Show on Earth," featuring End Bennett.

Thursday, "Hit the Trail Holiday," with Geo. M. Cobon.

Friday, May Allison in "The Testing of Mildred Vane."

Saturday, "Pathe News," and "Iron Test" part 7. A Sennett comedy, "A Rough House."

Sunday and Monday, Constance Talmadge in "Sauce for the Goose."

Tuesday, "Rosemary Clims The Heights," featuring Mary Miles Minter.

Wednesday, Jack Pickford in "Mile A Minute Kendall."

Coming soon Charles Chaplin in "A Dog's Life."

## VICTORY LIBERTY LOAN DRIVE NEXT WREK

IOWA TO SELL \$10,925,000 BONDS, DELAWARE COUNTY'S QUOTA IS \$868,425.

### DRIVE BEGINS ON APRIL 21ST

Attractive Rates of Interest Insures Success of Victory Liberty Loan Drive.

The quota of Delaware County in the Victory Liberty Bond Drive which opens Monday, April 21st and concludes Saturday night, May 10th, will be \$868,425.00, according to an announcement just received from John A. Cavanaugh, of Des Moines, Chairman of the Quota Committee for Iowa. Mr. Cavanaugh adds some interesting facts in regard to previous loans.

The quota of Iowa for the four preceding Liberty Bond issues was \$388,500,000. The State subscribed \$393,093,150. The total number of subscribers was 1,642,000. The over-subscription in the four previous loans amounted to \$4,583,150, a greater sum than was asked altogether of the State in the first campaign. In the last two campaigns 650,000 and 664,000 people subscribed. The average of the four campaigns was 410,500 subscribers or one for every family. Iowa is thus 100 per cent perfect in the matter of family subscriptions in all four bond campaigns. Iowa over-subscribed the second and fourth loans ten per cent. It over-subscribed the third loan sixty per cent. Mr. Cavanaugh is hopeful that Iowa will surpass the over-subscription record of the second and fourth loans in the coming drive.

With Iowa producing farm crops last year to the value of almost one billion dollars and with prospects good for another big agricultural year. Mr. Cavanaugh is confident that the government's fifth and last appeal for funds will meet with a hearty and generous response from Iowa. "First over the top" in two bond campaigns already.

Gildner Brothers advertise Easter styles in men's clothing. Note what they say about suits for Easter. "Our women readers will note the prices quoted on coats, capes, dolmans, suits, waists, silk dresses and skirts in the advertisement of W. L. Drew.

Mrs. J. J. Pentony, who has been in the hospital at Anamosa, for several weeks, returned home last Saturday evening. Her friends will be gratified to learn that she is rapidly regaining her strength, after having passed through a very severe operation.

On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 21, 22, and 23, a foot expert from Chicago will be at P. F. Madden's shoe store to give all who have trouble with their feet an examination and advice. Mr. Madden is agent for a complete line of Dr. Scholl's appliances and if any one has trouble with their feet they will do well to see the specialist.

D. F. Young, the implement dealer, has taken the agency for the celebrated Cooper Wagons and trucks, and has a large stock of wagons in his warehouse on lower Franklin street, at the present time. Mr. Young offers these wagons at special prices and our farmer readers should see him if in the market for farm wagons.

Harold Hoyt, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Hoyt, formerly of this city, but now residing in Des Moines, arrived in Manchester last week for a brief visit with his friends. He left later in the week for Des Moines. Mr. Hoyt has a service record of which he may well feel proud. He was with an electrical engineering unit and participated in eight battles during the last days of the war.

Mrs. Margaret Wilson went to Chicago Friday afternoon to pursue a course in pipe organ under the direction of Arthur Dunham, one of the celebrated pipe organ instructors in this country. Mrs. Wilson will return once in two weeks to instruct her class in piano. During her absence in the city Miss Vina Brazelton will have charge of the organ at the Methodist Episcopal church.

A. O. Stanger, who some time ago was appointed county chairman for the Victory Liberty Loan, has been obliged to resign, because of his weak condition as a result of the influenza. Only within the last few days has Mr. Stanger been able to get about the home, and while he is recovering some of his former strength, he is far from a well man yet. If you want to know definite information about the inner working of that insidious disease—Influenza—Mr. Stanger can give you that information.

Lincoln Bensley of Delhi, was in Manchester Sunday. Mr. Bensley was one of the boys who was selected for overseas service in the Rainbow division, and has just returned from France. Mr. Bensley told some of his friends here that he was in the same unit with Guy Harrington, and that he saw him just as the 168th entered the Argonne Woods during the closing days of the great drive. Mr. Bensley says that Mr. Harrington was killed in the battle there and that his body, with his number, were found in a shell hole some time after the armistice was signed.

## THREE RINGED CIRCUS COMING TO MANCHESTER.

Yankee Robinson is to Show Here Tuesday, April 29th.

A real three ringed circus is coming to town, with wise lions and tigers, trained leopards, jaguars, polar bears, troops of clamor let loose between the thrills.

The Yankee Robinson Wild Animal Circus which is coming to Manchester on Tuesday, April 29th, is huge and grand and new enough to warrant the very highest of praise.

Every one will laugh at the capering clowns, gasp at the feature acts and shudder at the sensations crowded together into two hours and a half.

The biggest and most daring of the wild animal acts is the performance of Capt. Jules with his mixed group of natural born jungle enemies including lions, tigers, jaguars, pumas and the trained camels and zebras. Jus to add good measure to the performance it is interspersed with a score or more of high class stars of the arctic world.

Of course there are clowns and thirty of them will surely make you laugh, if you have one stored away in you. An Athletic Carnival is one of the season's big features and it is headed by no less a personage than Plestina, World's Champion Wrestler who will meet all comers at each performance forfeiting one hundred dollars to any man he cannot win a fall from in fifteen minutes.

Altogether the wonderful program presented under the "big top" of the Yankee Robinson Circus will give boundless pleasure to big and small.

## EASTER PROGRAM.

The following Easter program will be given at the U. B. church Sunday evening, April 20th, beginning at 8:00 o'clock:

Song. Scripture Reading. Prayer. Song by the choir. "I'm the Boy"—Vernon Grapes. "New Bonnets"—Vera Withall. Exercise, "Easter Gifts"—Five girls. Recitation—Burdette Stimson. Solo—Cal Martin. "Lilies"—Susie Schwanke. "Little Blossoms"—Lillian Logan. "Easter Bunnies"—Alice Withall. Exercise, "Nature Song"—Two boys. "Just a Song"—Edward Huntsinger. Music. Exercises, "Easter"—Six little girls. Recitation—Ralph Franks. "The Heavenly Guest"—Mildred Pope. Song, "Little Pilgrims"—Six girls. Exercise—"Dame Nature's Surprise Party"—Two girls. "The Borrowed Baby"—Irene Dempster. Exercise "Busy Birds"—Three girls. Music. Recitation—Dora Logan. Song—Mildred Pope. Reading—"In the Children's Hospital"—Edith Eldredge. Drill—"Easter Bells"—Ten girls. Offering. Song. Benediction. Everyone welcome.

## EASTER SPECIALS AT KEISER'S

Frank J. Keiser had planned to advertise a large list of Easter Anniversary Specials in his advertisement this week, but on account of illness was unable to prepare the advertisement. Our readers will find the Specials at his store just the same.

M. H. Williston, who is establishing a reputation as a builder of fancy bird houses, spent two days last week with his daughter, Mrs. E. T. Alford, and family at Waterloo. Mr. Williston took with him a nifty martin house for his grandson, Williston Alford, and erected it for the young man while there.

J. D. Brownell, president of Northland College, at Ashland, Wis., was a guest of his brother, Charles Brownell, and family several days the first of the week. On Sunday morning Mr. Brownell occupied the pulpit of the Congregational church, and gave a very interesting address on the work Northland college is doing in the great north country. Mr. Brownell is a Manchester boy and has a host of old time friends here who were delighted to hear him, and especially to learn of the great work he is doing among the people of northern Wisconsin. Northland college is a Congregational school with a great field to draw from for students. President Brownell says that many applications for admission to the school have to be turned down each year because of the limited accommodations at the present time. The school hopes in the next few years to add to its equipment so that it can accommodate between 800 and 1,000 students.

We received a letter Monday from Mr. F. P. Walker formerly county superintendent of schools of this city, but now employed in the City National Bank of Clinton, Iowa and in the letter we found a statement of the bank showing a total deposit of \$4,647,334.23, and total resources of \$5,402,182.81, at the time of last call of the comptroller of currency. Mr. Walker tells us that some time ago the bank with which he is connected inaugurated the budget system known as the "Household Allowance" for handling family expenses of their customers, and furnished them with neat booklets free of charge. This system proved such a success that the bank's cashier, Mr. A. C. Smith, who is district chairman of the W. S. S. is recommended the plan for the state in War Savings campaigns, and after consideration at a recent meeting in Des Moines it was adopted. Mr. Walker tells that he enjoys his work in the bank and wants to be remembered to all of his friends in Manchester.

## ACTIVITIES OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE

250 BILLS MADE LAWS AND SENT TO GOVERNOR'S DESK FOR HIS SIGNATURE.

### ROAD LAW IS COMPROMISED

Probe of the Activities of the Fish and Game Warden Is Under Way by Legislators.

### By Ex-Senator G. L. Caswell

Des Moines, Iowa, April 12, 1919. These are the days when every legislator is pushing and wishing that more speed might be made to get the session finished up and every member also feels that things are going slowly in spite of the general desire to hurry. There is so much to be done that all that will be left undone will fill five-ton trucks in hauling the remains to the balers—as usual. And yet it is not as bad as last session. Then most of the house members had spent their time in watching each other and sparring for advantage on the road question. Now they are able to spar for half a day and pass a bigger road bill—and a better one. This week Tuesday they sparred again over the new motor vehicles law, and passed it in good shape in an hour and a half after a discussion and consideration that fully enlightened everybody concerning it.

### 250 Bills Made Laws.

At this time, less than a week before time for adjournment, both houses have passed and sent to the governor for his signature just about 250 bills, department bills of various kinds, and all kinds of minor bills. Many of the larger problems of this general assembly have not as yet been passed and freed from entangling strings. That is why so much remains yet to be done in the short time left.

After depositing Secretary of State Allen recently and taking the automobile department away from his office, a bill was passed relieving his office from the duties of preparing the annual Iowa Official Register, better known as the Red Book. "Compilments of W. S. Allen, Secretary of State," will therefore no longer grace the title page of the publication, as the book will be issued and edited by Ora Williams, the state document editor, who should look after it.

### Game Commissioner Next.

As mentioned in this department last week, a probe of the department of the fish and game commissioner of Iowa has been under way, and now it is reported that Commissioner E. C. Henshaw is very sick at a hospital in Des Moines, while the departmental affairs committee has such evidence as may cause him to resign when he gets back well again. The fish and game commissioner is appointed by the governor, and may be removed by him.

It is hinted that the board of control of state institutions may also be put under the microscope yet, as there has been no limit to their demands at this session and their job is getting to be bigger than that of all the rest of the state government.

Still another investigation was ordered this week in a resolution to have the affairs of the Iowa Pan-American Exposition commission at San Francisco looked into. At that time an appropriation of \$75,000 was made for the Iowa exhibit at this exposition, and every detail of the expenditures to be made was itemized in the bill. It is claimed now that no full report on this commission has ever been made and the secretary, Woodworth Clum, is to be especially grilled concerning the matter. Those who know however say the fault and failure to audit