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LEVI FRENCH DIES AT 95 YEARS OF AGE

BLIND FOR MANY YEARS, FRACTURES HIP IN FALL, INJURY CAUSES DEATH

CORNELIUS BAIRD ANSWERS CALL

Alfred Purvis, Formerly of This City Dies at Home in Michigan on January 29th.

Levi French, a Canadian by birth, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. R. Hall, in West Manchester on January 20th, 1921, following a painful and wearisome illness.

Decayed leaves surviving him two daughters, Mrs. Hall of Manchester, and Mrs. C. M. Bailey of Waverly; and one grand-daughter, Mrs. J. R. Hagan of Detroit, Michigan; and four nieces and six nephews.

CORNELIUS I. BAIRD

Cornelius I. Baird, for some years a resident of near Masonville, later in the grocery business at Independence, died at his home in Rock Island, Illinois, on January 28th, 1921.

Mr. Baird was born in Oswego county, New York, July 9th, 1836. As a child the family came west and located near Chicago, where they resided until 1876.

Mr. Baird survived by five children, Charley Baird of Independence, Iren C. Baird and Andrew C. Baird of Rock Island, Ill.; Mrs. Etta Stuh, of Rock Island, Ill.; and Mrs. Lottie VanVors, of Dubuque.

ALFRED PURVIS

Alfred Purvis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer K. Purvis, of Bernamont, Mich., passed away at his home on January 29th, 1921, following an extended illness of tuberculosis.

He is survived by his parents, grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Purvis, of this city, three brothers, William, and Carl Purvis of Waterloo; and Louis Purvis of Dubuque; one sister Mrs. Lulu de Rober, of Bernamont, Michigan.

The death of the young man brings sorrow to his family, and profound sympathy is felt for all who mourn because of his untimely passing.

JUDGE LINDSEY MUST GO TO JAIL

The following item, which has appeared in the dailies under a Washington date line recently, will be read with interest by many people in Manchester, who have had the pleasure of hearing Judge Ben Lindsey as he appeared on Chautauqua and lyceum platforms.

"The appeal of Judge B. Lindsey, of the Denver, Colorado, Juvenile court from conviction on charges of contempt of court, was dismissed today by the supreme court.

"Denver, Colo., Jan. 31.—Judge Ben Lindsey, of Denver's Juvenile court, was informed today that the supreme court had dismissed his appeal from a jail sentence on charges of contempt of court, said:

"I'd rather go to jail than betray the confidence of a child."

"Judge Lindsey was sentenced when he refused to divulge information, given to him in private by a youthful criminal, whom the judge was endeavoring to reform."

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

ST. PAUL'S. Sunday school at 2:30. Preaching at 3:30 by Rev. W. I. Pritchard, pastor of the United Brethren church.

CONGREGATIONAL. Church-school at 10:00 A. M. Morning worship at 11:00 A. M. Subject: "A Companion of the Divine." Christian Endeavor at 6:30 P. M. All are cordially invited.

PRESBYTERIAN. Morning services 10:30. Sermon topic, "Denied Fulfillments." Evening service, 7:30. Sermon topic, "The Word Becomes Flesh." Sunday school 11:45. C. E. meeting 6:30.

METHODIST CHURCH. Sunday services at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Morning topic: "I pray Thee Have Me Excused." Sunday school at 12 M. Epworth and Senior Leagues at 6:30 P. M. In the evening, we shall have an illustrated lecture on "China." This is the second number in a series of six.

BAPTIST. Sunday, Feb. 6th. Preaching 10:30 A. M. Subject: "An Antiquity Unity." Preaching 6:30 P. M. Subject: "The Great Transition." B. Y. P. U. 6:45 P. M. S. 12:00 M. Midweek service, Thursday 7:30 P. M. Communion service following preaching in the morning. ELDER AKERS, Pastor.

SPECIAL EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS

The Methodist Episcopal church of Manchester is planning a series of Evangelistic Services to begin Sunday, February 13th. Dr. W. C. Cleworth, of Oelwein, and the pastor will have charge of the meetings.

ANNUAL RED CROSS MEETING

The annual meeting of the Delaware County Chapter of the American Red Cross will be held in the Carnegie Library, Manchester, on Friday, February 4, at 3:00 P. M. Officers for the coming year will be elected.

W. H. PARSONS GIVES ABLE TALK

W. H. Parsons, state representative of the Young Men's Christian Association, gave an able address on the work of the Y. M. C. A. at the First Congregational church last Sunday evening.

NATIONAL SELLS DIRECT TO FARMERS

The National Manufacturing Company begins a series of advertisements this week in which they are urging the farmers of Delaware county to buy steel gates, hay and stock racks, steel fence posts, in fact everything that the factory manufactures, direct from the factory.

LIME PAYS WITH ALFALFA

Iowa farmers who have had trouble getting alfalfa started should look to the condition of the soil, say the soils experts at Iowa State College. Where a slight acid condition is found lime is the solution.

Lime and manure on a farm in Buena Vista county not only increased the alfalfa crop over 100 percent, but it increased the corn crop 10 bushels per acre, and when phosphorus fertilizers were added the corn yield went up to 67 bushels per acre, a 25 percent increase which easily paid the bill.

LEGISLATORS DOWN TO REAL BUSINESS

COMMITTEES NOW HAVE SOME BILLS TO WORK ON. EVERYBODY BUSY.

STATE SCHOOLS ASK \$5,000,000

Some of Bigger Propositions Presented. Appropriations Will Run Into Millions

(Special Correspondence) Des Moines, Jan. 31, 1921.—A steady grind, and promise of considerable accomplishment marks the legislative session, now four weeks old.

It has been some surprise to a good many of the new members to find how much work and time they can put in on legislative measures—also how difficult it is to get a measure started right, then on its way through the committees, back to the floor of the house and really passed as an act of the General Assembly.

How a Bill is Handled. A bill for an act has to be drawn up just so—three copies of it—in a certain size and style of arrangement with a cover indicating the title completely.

At the same time the highway commission is going ahead with its tremendous organization, planning new progress in all road matters, endeavoring to eliminate crossing dangers by giving boards of supervisors power to order crossings taken out or made overhead roadways, and providing that the cost shall be adjudged by the state railway commission, and apportioned to the railways and to the primary road fund as seems equitable.

FOR A CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

A very comprehensive bill providing for holding a constitutional convention in 1923 has been introduced by Senator Wichman of Hancock county. When the voters declared last fall in favor of holding a convention to revise the constitution of the state, they put up a bigger job on the legislators than they perhaps realized.

THE MOUNTAIN LABORER, ETC.

Proposed increase of the pay of Miss Edwood, the efficient enrolling clerk in the House, from seven dollars to nine dollars per day during the session, caused another outbreak of bad feeling in the Senate last Tuesday.

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION WANTS

A total support and improvement fund of something over \$5,000,000 a year is asked for by the several state educational institutions from this General Assembly, and on this sum the legislators are looking with unfriendly eyes.

COUNTY'S QUOTA IS FAR FROM COMPLETE

FEB. 15 SET AS DATE WHEN CAMPAIGN ENDS FOR FUND FOR STARVING CHILDREN

MANCHESTER NEAR ITS GOAL

Few Rural Precincts Have Made Campaigns. Others to Complete Their Work Before Feb. 15th.

Below is the list of contributions received for the relief of starving children of Central Europe since the last publication of the list in this paper. The amounts received from each township are also given but most of the townships have not reported and it is hoped that they will meet their quotas and send the money in promptly.

Open Season on Highway Law

It is already seen that there are designs against the present highway law, and that at this session some attempt will be made to curtail the highway commission's influence, and take away its financial support.

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Table listing contributions for the relief of starving children, including names like Miss Ida Shelden, Mrs. Schacher, Mrs. E. M. Hughes, etc.

Table listing contributions for Honey Creek Township, Coffins Grove Township, and Delaware Township.

all charitable institutions of the state, are also asking an immense increase, based on the higher costs of everything. We are told that they will get a pareing down based on the view of legislators that supplies and upkeep will not be so high the next two years as now.

And the new temple of justice for which about a million dollars was appropriated two years ago, must now cost two millions, according to the boosters for a magnificent temple of that kind on the northeast corner of the extended state capitol grounds.

SENIOR DUTCHER OF JOHNSON COUNTY

has a similar bill, with the same number of delegates provided for, and stating that women shall be eligible to serve. The bill provides that delegates shall be paid \$15 per day, but not to exceed \$1500 each.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

MRS. ADA LAWRENCE AND H. C. NIEMAN MARRIED HERE SAT. EVENING.

RUNAWAY TEAM KILLS FARMER.

Final Declamatory Contest to Be Held in High School Wednesday Evening, February 9th.

LAWRENCE-NIEMAN.

Mrs. Ada Elizabeth Lawrence and Henry C. Nieman of North Manchester were united in marriage at the residence of Rev. Julius H. Moehl, pastor of the Manchester Lutheran church, last Saturday evening at 6:30.

GRANGE TO GIVE PATRIOTIC PROGRAM.

Jones Mill Grange will give a Patriotic program on Saturday of this week at their hall. The following numbers will be the features of the program:

Song "Salute the Flag." Gertrude and Alice May Ottilie. Paper "Washington" Miss Florence Bailey. Recitation "Bessie Brown" Bessie Brown. Paper "Lincoln" Mrs. E. M. Carr.

THREE FROM SAME FAMILY ELOPE SAME DAY.

Atlantic City, N. J., Jan. 29.—A triple elopement, involving three members of one household, none of whom knew of the other's intentions, was disclosed today with the announcement that William M. Chase, retired New York manufacturer, and his daughters, Edith and Evelyn, had married their respective mates within twenty-four hours.

GRAND AND TRIAL JURORS ARE DRAWN.

In drawing the list of trial jurors for the March term of the Delaware District Court the names of four ladies, who voted at the recent election, were drawn. This is the first time in the history of the county that the names of ladies appear on the list for jury duty. Following are the names of persons drawn.

H. E. Chaplin, Hopkinton; B. J. Davis, Delaware; A. R. Schroeder, Dundee; Patrick M. McNany, Ryan; A. H. Cleveland, Manchester; John J. Legassick, Earlville; C. R. Barclay, Manchester; C. C. Bacon, Hopkinton; Will Crall, Manchester; Will Scanlon, Masonville; John Armstrong, Greeley; L. P. Prentice, Earlville; L. P. McFadden, Manchester; Ed Lyness, Ryan; Hattie L. Peterson, Manchester; G. A. Dodge, Colesburg; J. W. Matthews, Earlville; B. A. Sherman, Greeley; John Ovel, Dyersville; R. P. White, Delhi; Fred Vivian, Ryan; Chas. Schanbeck, Earlville; H. W. Putz, Edgewood; M. L. Stone, Manchester; Frank Mason, Manchester; R. W. Howland, Manchester; Egon J. H. Newkirk, Manchester; T. A. Cline, Hopkinton; Put Hatfield, Manchester; Howard Fausst, Manchester; E. K. Stansberry, Manchester; Mrs. A. J. Methaler, Earlville; F. W. Arnold, Manchester; P. P. Hill, Hopkinton; Marion Prull Jr., Monticello; Henry Spence, Hopkinton; Alice Wallace, Hopkinton; Frank Rieger, Manchester; Joe Behan, Ryan; R. E. Kirschbaum, Colesburg; I. F. McMonigal, Strawberry Point; Walter Lehman, Strawberry Point; L. G. Kreumpel, Colesburg; J. R. Whitman, Manchester; Mat Delay, Ryan.

OKLAHOMA CRUDE OIL CUT 50 CENTS BARREL

Tulsa, Okla., Jan. 31.—A reduction of fifty cents a barrel in the market price of Mid-Continental Crude Oil, making the price \$2.50, was announced here today by the Sinclair Oil and Gas Company. The reduction affects all high gravity oils in Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, it was said.

ERNEST RATHBUN FREED FROM LIFE SENTENCE

Marion, Iowa, January 29.—Ernest Rathbun was freed today from the life term to which he was sentenced by an Ida Grove court in 1919. Judge O. F. Dawley sustained Rathbun's demurrer to the demurrer filed by Warden Laugel of the Anamosa reformatory and in effect said the court had no right to review a governor's pardon.

KASH BROS. PUBLIC SALE.

Albert and Louis Kash, who have been operating a large farm 1-2 miles south of Strawberry Point and 1 mile north of Forestville, and about a mile east of the "Back-Bone", announce that they are going to hold a closing out sale on Tuesday, February 15th, 1921, the sale to begin at 10 A. M. sharp. Twelve horses, 13 hogs farm machinery, hay and grain, 30 head cattle, and household articles will all be sold. In next week's issue of the Democrat a detailed announcement will appear, and we ask that our farmer readers watch for it. Remember the date—February 15th.