

STATE NOT WORRIED

HIGHWAY ENGINEER McDONALD DECLARES THATCHER BRIDGE PATENTS ARE UNIMPORTANT.

HAVE NO CLAIM AGAINST WORK DONE IN IOWA

Amount involved if Patents Should be Held Valid Very Small, as They Expire Within Two Years.—MacDonald Says State is Not Stealing and That Bridges Do Not Infringe.

Des Moines, June 30.—Owners of the Thatcher patents, in threatening to sue Polk county and other Iowa counties for infringement in construction of certain bridges, are overstating the importance of the matter, says T. H. MacDonald, engineer for the state highway commission.

"The highway commission is not alarmed over the situation, for the reason that there are but few arch bridges erected in Iowa in recent years except those using the Thatcher patents, on which the royalties have already been paid," said Mr. MacDonald.

"The amount involved, if the Thatcher patents are held valid, would be very small; therefore no one should get excited. Polk county has only a few arch bridges erected in the last few years. While a large amount of money was spent here last year, the most of it was for small bridges and culverts, which in no way touch on the patents in question.

What Claim Is. "The Thatcher commission is not a method of placing the reinforcing bars in the arch ring of a bridge.

"The Thatcher patents were dormant for many years. Recently in Baltimore a court gave a decision holding the patents valid. This has caused the owners of the patents to become active at this time."

Henry E. Sampson, assistant attorney general, was in conference with Mr. MacDonald and the highway commission yesterday at Ames.

In talking to a Register and Leader reporter over the long distance telephone last night, he had the following to say regarding the bridge situation: "We are not getting excited over this matter for the reason that there is not much involved in the first place, it would be necessary for the owners of the patent to prove it valid in the Iowa courts, before any claim could be enforced. Then it would be necessary to show that every bridge on which royalties are claimed, infringe on the patent.

Not Stealing Patent. "The state of Iowa does not want to appear in the position of stealing a valid patent. We are investigating the matter to see if there are any patents which antedate the Thatcher patents. The highway commission recognizes the value of Thatcher's services in the engineering world and we are at work with his attorneys over the proposition. The highway commission takes the position that the bridges built in Iowa do not infringe on the Thatcher patents."

The commission says that the Thatcher patents will expire early in 1917, so that the rights have now almost run their limit. Mr. MacDonald says that after a more thorough investigation the commission will make a farther statement.

SUMMER SCHOOL MISSIONS. Interdenominational State Organization to Hold Sessions at Lake. Special to Times-Republican. Mason City, June 30.—The Okoboji Summer School of Missions, an interdenominational state organization, will be held Aug. 3 to 8 at Arnold's park. Mrs. Margaret Leland, of Ames, will have charge of the camp for girls and young women of the school. Her work will consist of games, lake trips, nature lore, tramps, Indian dinners, first aid to the injured, etc.

The Sunday services, morning and evening, in all the churches, will be in charge of the missionaries. The officers of the association are:

President, Mrs. W. M. Dudley, Indianapolis; vice president, Mrs. Edwin Whiting; secretary, Mrs. E. B. Dowell, Indianapolis; treasurer, Miss Blanche Scott, Redfield.

WOMAN KILLED AT CROSSING.

Miss Agnes Horak, of Cedar Rapids, Mangled by Train. Cedar Rapids, June 30.—One of the most shocking accidents that has occurred in Cedar Rapids for some time happened Tuesday evening close to 8 o'clock at the junction of Fourteenth avenue with the railway thoroughfare on Fourth street. Miss Agnes Horak, aged 37, who resided at 1816 South Fourth street, and who has been employed for some time at the Kramer & Kramer cigar factory, while on her way home from work, was struck by a Rock Island switching train and so mangled that death resulted a few moments afterward.

No one knows exactly how the accident occurred. A Rock Island switch engine had run on to the side track at Fourteenth avenue to pick up a string of empty freight cars, and then pulled out on to the main track to hook on to a lone car which was standing there. At the first attempt to make a coupling the car jumped away from the impact of the engine and rolled slowly down the grade. The locomotive followed and on the second attempt succeeded in making a successful coupling. When the string of cars had been pulled back up the track a short distance the body of Miss Horak was discovered, terribly crushed, almost at the point where the single car had been standing a few moments before.

CONSCIENCE FUND SWELLED.

City Treasurer at Davenport Receives a Draft For \$300. Davenport, June 30.—To free his peace of mind for \$300, an unknown man sent a draft for that amount to City Treasurer Hill. One-half of it goes to the city and the other half to Scott county. The name A. R. Christian was signed to the draft. This is the first conscience fund ever received here and the city officers do not know what to do with it.

Belmond News Notes.

Special to Times-Republican. Belmond, June 30.—Misses Leona and Leota Sullivan, of Emmetsburg, are visiting at the D. H. Delaney home, northeast of Belmond.

Miss Martha Preston, of Grinnell, is visiting at the R. H. Klemm home. Miss Leona Wallace, of Kinkinok, S. D., is visiting her friend, Miss Louise Knox.

C. E. Longley died Saturday after a long illness. The funeral took place Monday morning at the home and interment was made in the Rowan cemetery.

Miss Loretta McQuire is visiting friends at Manning. Mrs. R. W. Burgess leaves this week for Missouri, where she will visit relatives.

Traver News Notes.

Special to Times-Republican. Traver, June 30.—Mrs. William Schlosser and little son, of Crossville, Ill., have been visiting A. J. Norton the past week.

E. E. Taylor, who bought the John Brewster farm a year and a half ago, sold it this week at an advance of more than \$25 an acre.

Rev. T. H. Melville will leave soon for the west, where he will attend the Christian Union national convention and the two fairs.

Miss Martha Manson returned yesterday from a two weeks' visit in Guilman City. Fletcher McCormack and family, of Sioux City, have been visiting at the two parental homes the past week.

Burlington Editor Dead.

Burlington, June 30.—William Henry Davidson, managing editor The Hawk-Eye, died at his home, 112 North Woodlawn avenue, at 6:30 o'clock Monday evening, finally succumbing to an illness that had its beginning last August. Since that time he has been confined to his room, bearing his burden with cheerfulness and fortitude, and ministered to by his devoted wife.

Independents Defeat Indians.

Special to Times-Republican. Tama, June 30.—The Tama Independents, a newly organized baseball team of this city, defeated the fast Mesquakie Indian team in a ten inning game yesterday by a score of 8 to 5. Batteries—McCarthy and Lofton, Harrison and Wanatee.

"DEAD" MAN RETURNS

MAN MOURNED BY KIN FOR FORTY YEARS MAKES APPEARANCE AT IOWA CITY.

FINDS BROTHER FROM WHOM HE PARTED AT MALCOM

Learns of Death of Both Father and Mother—Has Worked as Railroad Millwright in Nearly Every State in Union During Forty Years of Wandering—Happy Reunion With Brother.

Special to Times-Republican.

Iowa City, June 30.—Supposedly dead for forty years, Joseph Zezik arrived in Iowa City yesterday, surprising immensely his brother Frank, who had not seen him since he left Malcom, Iowa, four decades ago.

Since then the returned wanderer, now 64 years of age, has worked as a railroad millwright in nearly every state in the Union. He traced his brother from Omaha to Malcom, and from Malcom to Iowa City, and hurried here to hold a glad reunion. Both his father and mother have died since he left Iowa, and he knew nothing of the death of either until he met his brother here.

SMASHES DOOR WITH AX.

Intoxicated Man Forces Way to Home of Estherville Widow.

Special to Times-Republican. Estherville, June 30.—Milt Ellis, a local bad character, was arrested here by Sheriff Nivison and Special Agent Brown on a charge of house breaking and disturbing the peace. Monday morning, about 3 o'clock, during a heavy thunder storm, Ellis went to the home of a widow and securing an ax from the coal shed, smashed the kitchen door and walked into the house. The woman was alone with two small children and was terrified but managed to call one of the neighbors.

Ellis was apparently badly intoxicated as he talked disconnectedly and endeavored to make his escape. As he was armed with the ax the neighbors hesitated to lay hands on him and he got away and remained in hiding all day. He will remain in the county jail pending action of the county attorney.

Brief News of Greene.

Special to Times-Republican. Greene, June 30.—The Joe Neal garage has changed hands twice within the past few days. Mr. Neal traded the building for some Minnesota land to Mr. Carpenter, who in turn sold the building to A. C. Winterburn.

The school census has just been completed by the secretary of the board and shows a total number of children in town of school age to be 349. In 1914 there were 325, a gain of 24.

Monday evening during the storm lightning struck Mrs. Glodery's residence and damaged two of the rooms on the second floor, tearing the plaster off and breaking pictures.

A. Y. Trimble returned home Monday from Des Moines, where he has spent the past few weeks fishing.

The farm investigation tour of Butler county was made Tuesday as advertised, starting from Greene about 8 a. m. On account of the rain the day before, there were not as many autos lined up for the trip as had been expected. However, there were about fifteen cars on the start from Greene, and they were joined by many others at the different stops.

Fred Debban was called to Elwood, Neb., Monday by the death of a brother.

Eldora News Briefs.

Special to Times-Republican. Eldora, June 30.—Mrs. Ray Lewis entertained the Star class of the Christian church at her home in the Second ward yesterday afternoon. The afternoon was spent in sewing and a luncheon was served. This class is planning to give a tea in the near future.

The body of Levi White, who died at the soldiers' home in Marshalltown Monday, arrived in this city yesterday and burial in the Eldora cemetery took place.

place in the afternoon. Mr. White was a resident of Eldora for many years, and was taken to the home only the 23d day of this month. Mr. White was born April 13, 1851, settled in Company G, Twenty-fifth Wisconsin infantry, Aug. 12, 1862, and served nearly three years.

All public highways leading to Eldora within a radius of five miles are again passable. Twenty-one new reinforced concrete bridges and culverts have been built on these roads this spring to the great inconvenience of the traveling public during the process of construction.

Miss Harriet Smith, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Smith, gave a very pleasant little party at her home in the Third ward to a dozen of her little friends. The evening was spent with music and various games, and a dainty luncheon was served.

Mr. George Epeers has returned from a "two weeks" trip in northern Iowa and Minnesota.

PRETTY WEDDING AT ELDORA.

Miss Nellie Megan Becomes Bride of Joseph Kramer.

Special to Times-Republican. Eldora, June 30.—The marriage of Miss Nellie Megan to Mr. Joseph Kramer was solemnized by Rev. Father McNamara, at St. Mary's church, in this city, yesterday morning. The ceremony began at 9 o'clock, when the bride, dressed in a dainty white gown and veil and carrying a huge bouquet of flowers, was escorted to the altar by the groom up the aisle while Mendelssohn's wedding march was rendered on the pipe organ. They were preceded by the bridesmaid, Miss Sadie Megan, the bride's younger sister, and the best man, Mr. Owen Kangley. The ceremony was closed by a solo, "Ave Marie," very splendidly rendered by the bride's cousin, Mr. Horigan, from Joliet, Ill.

The wedding party then went to the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Megan, at their farm, about three miles south of this city. Here an elaborate dinner was served to ninety-one guests, all but five of whom were relatives of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Kramer at once left the city for Houston, Tex. From there they expect to attend the exposition on the Pacific coast. They expect to be gone thirty days, after which they will be at home to their friends in the beautiful home in the first ward, purchased by Mr. Kramer.

Mr. Kramer formerly lived in St. Louis, Mo., leaving in Eldora eight years ago, since then his business has been that of auctioneer, stock buyer and dealer in real estate.

Rhodes Defeats Maxwell.

Special to Times-Republican. Maxwell, June 30.—A hotly contested game of baseball here Tuesday afternoon, the Rhodes team beat the Maxwell team by a score of 3 to 1. Eleven innings were played to decide the game. Batteries: For Rhodes, Blackburn and Gurton; for Maxwell, Herman and Pearson.

How Mrs. Harrod Got Rid of Her Stomach Trouble.

"I suffered with stomach trouble for years and tried everything I heard of, but the only relief I got was temporary until last week I saw Chamberlain's Tablets advertised and procured a bottle of them; at our drug store, I got immediate relief from that dreadful heaviness after eating and from pain in the stomach," writes Mrs. Linda Harrod, Fort Wayne, Ind. "Obtainable everywhere.—Advertisement."

Northern Iowa Items

Sheldon. Ed Goebel, of Sheldon, has found a dime worth \$100. It is dated 1897 and is from the South Carolina mint.

Mapleton. A boarding car of Greeks, working on the Milwaukee railroad, was entered by sneak thieves and about \$100 in money and other valuables taken.

Cedar Rapids. H. P. Britton, an old soldier living here, was ground to death last Saturday night under the wheels of the Northwestern passenger train as he was attempting to cross the tracks near the Milwaukee depot.

Cedar Falls. The owners' one of the new \$40,000 Zion Evangelical church was laid here Sunday afternoon with appropriate ceremony. Rev. B. R. Weiner, pastor, wielded the trowel and offered the special prayer for the occasion.

Bellevue. Mike Scholtes, of Springbrook, narrowly escaped Thursday when he was caught in a revolving shaft and sustained painful injuries. He was badly cut about the head and his shoulders bruised.

Calmar. Victor Becker, son of Contractor Becker of this city, was instantly killed Friday morning when his auto struck a turning turtle, causing his death. His companion escaped serious injury by jumping. Becker was about 18 years old.

Sioux City. Joseph Schmidt, 1119 South Mulberry street, and O. B. Fobes, 3609 Vint street, were injured Saturday afternoon when a motorcycle which Schmidt was riding crashed in Fobes' auto at Vint street and Morningside avenue. The 8-year-old son of G. C. Merrill, Twenty-fourth and Court streets, was struck by a dealer's car Saturday evening and slightly hurt.

Hopkinton. The question of consolidation of the schools at Delhi was settled Friday by an affirmative vote. This is the third time the question of consolidation has been voted on at that place. The new \$16,000 school building now nearing completion there will be built upon a much larger scale and with a view of becoming an accredited high school.

Sioux City. As the result of the increase in hog and cattle receipts at the local yards, Sioux City this year will be classed as fifth among the leading markets of the country. St. Joseph up until this year has held this position. The local yards Saturday passed the million mark in hog receipts since Jan. 1. This figure will be eclipsed by 30,000 by the end of the six months' period, which ends Wednesday night.

Cedar Rapids. When Attorney Don Barnes returned to his home, 2310 Grand avenue, early Sunday evening he found that a burglar had been in the house while no one was at home between Friday evening and Sunday evening. The thief gained entrance by cutting a hole thru the screen in a side door so that he could unhook the screen door. He then threw a brick thru the glass in the door and was able to reach the night lock and

SEEK CLEMENCY FOR GENERAL DE WET AS HE BEGINS PRISON TERM



GENERAL DE WET

A movement has been started in South Africa to obtain clemency for General De Wet, the former famous leader of the Boers. A short time ago General De Wet was found guilty of treason and sentenced to two years' imprisonment and to pay a heavy fine. It was charged that he attempted to join the German army. Now it is said that his health is poor and that he may not live out his term.

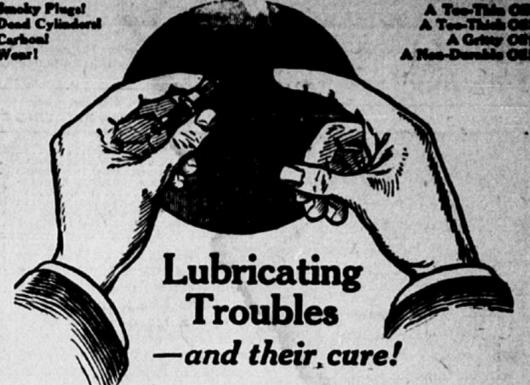
SHAVED A MAN A MINUTE.

Winning of London Razor Championship by Teddy Weeks Recalled. Which gives the quicker shave, the safety or ordinary razor? At the club luncheon table discussion on this important topic, opinion was pretty evenly divided. Then the writer reminded them of the shaving competition of years ago at the old Royal Aquarium, when the pick of London's Finest razors fought for the blue ribbon of the profession, attended with all the paraphernalia of sport—judges, timekeepers, referees and a doctor and a nurse in attendance.

A champion emerged from the horrid struggle—on Teddy Weeks, whose name has been immortalized in song. He shaved a man a minute for an hour with an ordinary razor without drawing blood. Can the safety razor beat this?—London Chronicle.

Cost of Unpreparedness.

A Canadian officer, writing from the front to a friend in St. Catherine's, says: "All this misery and waste could have been averted if we could have thrown 1,000,000 men into France and Belgium at the commencement of the war, because Germany would not have taken the risk, but anyone who forecasted national training in England or Canada was looked on as a scare-monger and a fool." May the United States avoid having to reproach itself a year or two hence with the thought that similar misery and waste might have been avoided by the fact that it had made adequate defensive preparation.—Buffalo Express.



Lubricating Troubles—and their cure!

The Standard Oil Company is making a motor oil that has done away with all common lubricating troubles.

Seven years ago their experts placed this new but tested oil on the market. 1,100 gallons were sold the first year. Then motorists found it out.

1909's demand was for 335,000 gallons—1910's was for 1,118,400. In 1914 nearly 7,000,000 gallons were used in the Middle West alone.

Polarine has gained in sales an average of a million gallons yearly simply because its use eliminated the annoyance and

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DON'T give up your right to money independence by frittering away all of your earnings now. Save at least nickels, dimes and quarters—the fragments of fortune. Deposit them at this strong bank. Soon they will enable you to build an enduring structure of INDEPENDENCE.

Marshalltown State Bank

Marshalltown, Iowa

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Mrs. Estel, Lady Assistant

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