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## JOHN ANDERSON BURNED TO DEATH

Lost Life in Fire at Stratford Saturday Night—Fifteen Horses Also Perished.

### LIVERY BARN IS DESTROYED

Loss About \$3,500—Origin of Fire is Unknown—Discovered at 9:30 O'Clock.

Stratford, April 14.—Special to the Freeman-Tribune: Stratford had another bad fire Saturday night which resulted in the loss of a human life and in which fifteen horses perished. At 9:30 fire was discovered in the barn belonging to J. B. Hook and O. F. Swanson and run as a livery stable by Oscar Lund and John Anderson. It is supposed the fire started in a manger and its origin is unknown. It is thought it was the result of the carelessness of someone who might have thrown a lighted cigar or match into the hay. The flames spread rapidly. John Anderson, one of the proprietors of the livery, entered the burning building in an attempt to save the horses and was never seen alive again. About midnight the fire was under control and the remains of Mr. Anderson were found. Identification could only be made by a careful examination. The dead man suffered a broken leg upon three different occasions and this fact enabled the identification of the body. It was known, however, that it was Mr. Anderson, as a number of people saw him go into the barn. Fifteen head of horses were also destroyed, six of which belonged to the livery stable equipment and the others were the property of farmers who had left them in the barn. Some buggies, harness, grain, hay, etc., were also destroyed.

John Anderson was a single man, about forty-two years of age. He made his home with his mother.

The Misses Ellen Housen, Tressa Meyers, and Minnie Clifton, who have been boarding with the Ora Newman family, have rented a suite of rooms over the Metcalf dry goods store and will do light housekeeping. This change has been made on account of Mr. and Mrs. Newman selling their residence property.

## JUDGE COOK'S LAST CASE NOW IN COURT

Former Well Known Webster City Attorney to Retire Soon From Practice.

Des Moines, April 13.—Judge J. C. Cook, the veteran attorney for the Milwaukee railroad, once more argued to the supreme court the famous case involving a mile of railroad in Des Moines. The case has been pending a number of years. On the previous submission of the case nearly two years ago, Judge Cook was confronted by N. T. Guernsey, the lawyer who went to New York on a \$50,000 salary from the telephone people. But Cook won his case and the decree was that the Milwaukee railroad company owns the mile of track which for many years has been in possession of the Des Moines Union. This time Parish and Parker made the argument for the Hubbells in an effort to induce the court to reverse itself.

Judge Cook very likely will never argue another case in the supreme court. He long ago said that when he had finished this case he would retire, and his health has been so poor that it was with difficulty he has remained with the case to the present time.

Miss Marian Lee is compelled to remain away from her teaching duties in the high school on account of a severe attack of grippe.

## WAS IDEAL WEATHER FOR EASTER SERVICES

The Churches and Sunday Schools Have Unusually Large Attendances.

### MUSIC AND FLOWERS FITTING.

Sunrise Prayer Meeting Begins the Day—Appropriate Sermons by Pastors.

In spite of the threatening predictions by the weather man of the weather for Easter Sunday not good for Easter bonnets, the day dawned clear and balmy and continued so. It was in reality the first day of real spring which we have had, and every church and Sunday school reports a large attendance for the day. The parade of new headgear was perhaps larger than usual, although the lack of it did not keep those so inclined from the divine services of the day.

The children of the Sunday school of the Methodist church gave a short program in the morning of songs and recitations fitting to the occasion, and in the evening the Men's Choir of the same church gave a fine musical program, assisted by the soloists, E. C. Roberts and Mrs. G. T. McCulliff, to a packed house.

The service of the day at the Universalist church was given at 10:30 o'clock and an appropriate musical program preceded the sermon.

The attendance at the Congregational church both morning and evening was very large. The music by the large chorus choir at both services was unusually fine and the sermon by the pastor at the morning service on "Immortality" was an exceptionally strong Easter address. The attendance of the Knights Templar at the morning meeting added special interest to the occasion.

At the German Lutheran church,

two services were held in the forenoon, one at 10 o'clock and the other at 11 a. m. The music was of the highest order, the decorations of roses and snapdragons, with the background of ferns and palms greatly enhancing the services of the day. The first service was in charge of the regular pastor, Rev. H. A. Koenig, while the second was in charge of Rev. H. Wiese of Australia, who gave a brilliant address to a packed house.

The English Lutheran Sunday school gave a short program in the evening to a good audience, the church being elaborately decorated with Easter lilies, primroses, ferns and other greenery.

The young people of the Christian Sunday school successfully gave an Easter Cantata entitled "Resurrection Rays," assisted by the chorus choir. The decorations were in keeping with the cantata, being a representation of an open tomb with the stone rolled away. The house was taxed to its utmost seating capacity at the evening service. A sunrise prayer meeting held by the Y. P. S. C. E. in the morning at 6 o'clock brought out about forty young people, and all the services of the day were largely attended.

After the evening services, the lilies and other flowers were with no exception taken to the sick of the membership. Those flowers forming the decorations at the Congregational church, which were furnished by the Masonic order were sent to the homes where in past years death has claimed a member of that order.

These were the only churches attempting Easter programs although special music was enjoyed at most of the other churches. Nearly all the churches were beautifully decorated with Easter lilies, roses, and palms, ferns and smilax and the bright spring garments of the season added to the always happy spirit of the day, made it an Easter to be long remembered.

## ANOTHER CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATE

Fort Dodge Has One in the Person of D. M. Kelleher, who is a Democrat.

Politics in the Tenth district promise to be unusually warm this summer and fall and the democrats evidently think they have a fighting chance to win. Accordingly D. M. Kelleher of Ft. Dodge has announced his candidacy on the democratic ticket. He is one of the best known lawyers of the district and is accounted one of the ablest orators in Fort Dodge. The republicans of the Tenth district will hope that Mr. Kelleher will not challenge the Hon. Frank P. Woods for a joint debate, as he is so far ahead of our congressman in point of ability and the quality of discussing questions from the public rostrum that there would be nothing left for Mr. Woods to do but to decline to meet him in the forum. Judge Quarton, however, might consent to meet Mr. Kelleher, as he is an orator of no mean ability.

**Death of Mrs. Martha Knudson.**  
Mrs. Martha Knudson died at her home in Ames Sunday morning at 7 o'clock, after an illness of about a month's duration, of paralysis. Mrs. Knudson was one of the pioneers of Cass township and was well and favorably known to many of our people. She was formerly Mrs. J. W. Shinkle.

The funeral was held this morning at 10 o'clock from the Methodist church in this city and interment made in Cass Center cemetery.

Clerk Sterling has issued a marriage license to James C. Butler and Mary G. Smith.

## DEMOCRATS SELECT CANDIDATES

Hold a Convention at the City Hall and Place Three Men in Nomination.

A number of democrats held a convention Friday afternoon at the city hall and nominated three candidates for county offices. John H. Sparboe of Scott will be the candidate for representative, C. F. Bishop of this city for clerk of the courts, and C. D. Richards also of this city for sheriff. These were the only candidates selected but the democrats say they will have a full ticket in the field in a few days. Practically every precinct in the county was represented and local democrats state that the meeting was the best that has been held in Hamilton county for years.

Are the democrats opposed to the primary plan of making nominations? Such meetings or conventions as that of yesterday look like an attempt to foreclose the field against other aspiring candidates?

**The Cradle Roll.**  
Born, April 10, 1914, to Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Anderson, five miles northwest of town, a baby daughter. Mrs. Anderson was formerly Miss Anna Heidick.

**Real Estate Transfers.**  
Mary E. Layne to Geo. W. Groves—wd—tract in nw sw 6-87-25.—\$300.00.

Chas. S. Howard and wf to Frank R. Howard—qcd—lot 2, blk 51, W. C.—\$1.00.

L. E. Jaycox and wf to Guy C. and Benj. Jaycox—wd—s½ se 4-88-24.—\$12,800.00.

H. A. Teget and wf to John T. Finn—wd—lot 13, blk 10, W. F. & Co. addition, W. C.—\$700.00.

## COMMIT A VERY SERIOUS OFFENSE

Joy Riders Break Into Hanson & Tyler's Garage and Take Two Automobiles.

### WERE OUT NEARLY ALL NIGHT.

Took a Fine \$2,250 Lozier and an Overland—Returned Them Next Morning.

A number of joy riders had a big time Saturday night with a couple of cars belonging to the Hanson & Tyler garage in this city. They broke in the back window, opening the rear door from the inside. There were a number of old cars in the back part of the garage, but the joy riders did not want any of them. They preferred to have the best. Accordingly they run the old cars out into the alley and selected a fine Lozier, one of the best in stock, and took it out for a spin. They also took one of the 1914 model Overlands. The next morning the Lozier was found on Des Moines street in front of Mr. Burnett's restaurant and the Overland was found on Division street near the garage. The Overland suffered little from the treatment further than a broken fender, but the Lozier was quite badly damaged. The glass in one of the front lights was broken out and one of the fenders was badly bent. But the worst damage occurred to the engine. It appears that the car was badly used, having been run at high speed when there was little or no water in the radiator, and as a result the engine was greatly injured by being over-heated and it will probably be necessary to send it back to the factory for repairs.

Who the culprits are is unknown and thus far there is no clue to their identity. The fact that they broke into the garage in the night time makes the offense very serious, the penalty being a term in the penitentiary if the guilty are found and the matter pushed. A number of people of the city report having heard cars during the night going at terrific speed and it is supposed the joy riders put in a part of their time riding about town, which would indicate their recklessness and fearlessness.

## WILL RETURN TO WEBSTER CITY

Rev. Hugh Moore Resigns Pastorate of First Baptist Church of Sac City.

Another Sac City pulpit is to be vacant because of the resignation of the minister. The Rev. Hugh F. Moore, pastor of the First Baptist church of Sac City, at a business meeting of the members of the church last Thursday evening announced that in accordance with a plan formed a year ago, he had decided to tender his resignation to take effect May 1 next. It was voted to accept the pastor's resignation, subject to approval by the state missionary secretary. The approval under the circumstances, doubtless will be forthcoming.

Mr. Moore came to Sac City as a pastor in June, 1912, and he has won an enviable place in the hearts of his people and of the people of Sac City generally; he is faithful in his pastoral duties and is, moreover, a strong preacher, practical and alert to present day needs. The Sun understands that the controlling motive in his decision to quit the Sac City pulpit is a desire to take a rest of a number of months from ministerial work in order to afford an opportunity for his wife to recover her health, which has been broken down prior to their coming to Sac City and had not been fully restored when they located here.

For The Man Who Cares

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Mr. Moore plans to move to a five-acre tract belonging to the family estate and located at Webster City. He will give his attention to the cultivation of the tract and to study, and hopes by this course to permit Mrs. Moore the rest and outdoor quiet which it is believed will completely restore her health.—Sac City Sun.

Rev. Hugh Moore was raised in Webster City, being a son of the late Rev. Jesse Moore, one of the pioneer pastors of this vicinity. He was first pastor of the Christian church at Homer, perhaps forty-five years ago and later was pastor of the Cass Center church, also supplied the pulpit at Pleasant Hill and other places in the county. The elder Mr. Moore died at his home about a mile north of the city perhaps thirty years ago and his wife, Mrs. D. M. Moore, died there last summer. Rev. Hugh Moore is a brother of Miss Agnes Moore of this city. The family were highly respected by everybody here and their many friends will be glad to know that Mr. Moore is going to return to Webster City and make his home.

## THE HAWK-PIERCE EASTER WEDDING

Sunday Afternoon at Three-thirty O'clock—Seventy-five Guests Present.

Sunday afternoon—Easter Sunday—at half after three o'clock, occurred the marriage of Miss Clara Jane Hawk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Hawk, and Mr. Paul J. Pierce of Belmond. The wedding took place at the Hawk home on Maple avenue, in the east part of the city, about seventy-five immediate relatives and friends being present. To the strains of Lohengrin's wedding march played by Miss Louise Blankenbuehler, an intimate friend of the bride, the couple took their places under a canopy of ferns entwined with pink and white roses and carnations. The canopy was in a corner of the living room and a large horse shoe—the symbol of good luck—formed the top. Rev. L. N. Call read the impressive ring service which united the young people. Little Genevieve Albright, the four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Albright, who reside southeast of town dressed in white voile, and looking like a fairy, carried the ring in a white Easter lily. The bride was prettily dressed in a gown of white Princess satin with tunic and trimmings of silk lace and wore a veil and cap of bridal veiling, elaborately trimmed with pearl and gold beads. She carried an arm bouquet of bride's roses.

After the reading of the wedding service, and the congratulations had been extended the couple, a delicious lap luncheon was served in three courses. During the luncheon the wedding cake was cut by the bride and each guest given a piece in a

dainty box as a souvenir of the occasion. In the cake had been baked the traditional ring, penny, and thimble, the ones who were the recipients being fated to become wealthy, marry within the year, or live a life of single blessedness.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce left last evening on the Illinois Central for Minneapolis, where they will spend a week. From there they will go to North Dakota, where Mr. Pierce will continue his work as field agent for the Richardson Co., a Chicago book firm, with whom he has been employed for some time. In September, they will locate in Iowa City, where Mrs. Pierce has two more years in the university and Mr. Pierce, three more years of his law course.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hawk and has lived practically all her life in this city. She was graduated from the high school with the class of 1910; was a teacher in Hamilton county schools for two years, and has spent two years as a student in the state university at Iowa City. Although Mr. Pierce is not well known to Webster City people, he is said to be a young man of sterling qualities and well worthy of the bride he has chosen. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Pierce of Belmond.

Non-resident guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Pierce and little son, Everett, of Belmond; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Ryland, Kamrar; Mrs. M. E. Davis, Laurens; James Yungelas, Highview; Miss Nellie Pierce, Pomeroy; Mr. Clarence Pierce, Sioux City; J. E. Stronks and Clarence Pierce of Watertown, South Dakota.

## HORSE KILLED IN RUNAWAY ACCIDENT

Animal Belonging to Robert McCollough Dies Hour After Injury.

Robert McCollough, who recently took charge of the Standard Oil station in this city, had a piece of hard luck in losing a horse Friday afternoon. He was driving into town from the west, having been to Duncombe, and the team became frightened and started to run as Mr. McCollough turned into Third street. One of them tripped upon something and was thrown, practically turning a somersault, so severely injuring it internally that it lived only an hour afterward. The horse was quite valuable and the loss is severely felt by Mr. McCollough, as the animal was worth considerable to him in his business.

The First National Bank is offering through the Hamilton County Short Course, \$100.00, in prizes to the parties who raise the most corn on an acre of land. Now is the time to enter. 6d1f3t3

Have you entered the Acre Corn Contest for the cash prizes given by The First National Bank. 6d1f3t3 F. A. Boysen, Dentist, Second St.