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274 ARE IN CLASS ONE

And Late Classifications Will Increase Number to About 300. Are Now Being Examined.

The local registration board are getting nearly through with the work of classifying the registered men in Decatur county, and have already placed 274 men in class one, and there are enough left yet unclassified...

The following is a list of the 274 men who have been placed in class one by the local board:

- Wm. Roy Chastain, Grant Eugene Griffith, Henry William Sanders, Martin Everett Boatman, William Arthur Stover, Wm. Jacob Strohl, Vernon Victor Painter, David Anton, Van Bumgarner, Earl Everett King, Claude Munyon, John Munyon, Fred Verl Garrison, Charles Ronda Hyatt, George Dillon Barrett, Elmer W. Young, William Allison Sanger, Dennis William Grogan, Virgil Ovid Parker, Clarence Earl Gibson, Roy Clawson, Charles Edgar Allen, Zebbin Gehlan Gray, Ralph McDowell, Charles Elbert Worden, James Barry, Samuel Clyde Johnson, Carl Deane Southern, Donald Crues, Orville Willard Bennett, William Jefferson Fulton, Samuel James Poland, Levi Daniel Hill, Lewis Mark Bremer, Oscar Lee Bennett, James T. Toney, Herbert Lester Hubbard, Charles E. Johnson, Glennis Dean Gill, Ernest Elmore Manchester, Hallard Adley Broom, Ira Monroe Foster, Elsie Morise Evans, Gilbert Curtis Mosbarger, Lawrence Earl Young, Arthur F. Cave, Willis Nelson Donaldson, Artie Oral Finkbone, Clarence Roberts, Howard H. Coffin, Fred Nelson Gould, Jesse Homan Pullin, Claude Adair, Mont Lovette Clampitt, Sammy Edward Manchester, Alvin Hardy Hullinger, Lawrence Curtis Graves, Arthur Vern Maxwell, Jesse Lee McDowell, William James Ripley, James Lev Dillon, Benjamin F. Sutherland, Bert Ray McKern, Golden Ray Johnson, Irl Beavers, George Petrie, Fay Albert Macy, Victor Allen Ogilvie, John Elmer Anderson, Howard Maxwell Silvers, Frank Young, Henry Joseph Walkey, Elza Carl Reier, Arthur Davis, Bert Guy Young, Perry Latta, Harry Soper Burgess, Joseph Elvin Garland, Lester Leroy Smith, Joseph William Edgar Clinton, William Lindsey Hubbard, Jacob Arthur Lentz, Jesse Monroe Ashburn, David Alfred Truman, John Perry Wilson, Jesse Gerald Caster, Ben Phipps, Raymond Henry Lamis, Charles Fay Bates, Ernest Hugo Anderson, Albert James Stanford, Roy Bernard Adley, Albert Hughes, Edward Andrew Elefson, Arnold Harold Sutton, Timothy Lee O'Boyle, James Alvin Ballantyne, Walter Dobson, Roy A. Fox, Louie Michael Ader, John H. Holliday, Floyd Warnock Severe, Alfred B. VanAuken, Alva Edmond Bridger, Ernest V. Butler, Ernest Vere Cartwright, Lewis Jones, Harry Edgar Sell, Ward Gleford McWhinney, Earl Madison Hatcher, Paul E. Teller, Samuel Waldo Vandal, Arthur J. Wilson, James I. Webb, Clyde Leonard, Steve George Scott, John William Duncan, Francis Marion Turpen, Willie Zornes, William Benjamin Spence, Clifford Randolph Petty, Jesse Lawrence Calhoun, Hietaro U. Tappi, Joe Bethards, Carl Clawson, Harold Spencer Elliott, Prescott F. Richards, Walter Harvey King, Willard Woodstock Field, Walter Herman Adair, Walter Allen Moon, Claude Vernon Snider, Ben Swegle, Ellis Hance Bremer, Garvin Amidas Manchester, Floyd Everett Newlin, Perry Logan Johnson, Tommy Harvey Pettis, Wyke Kircher Wiley, Henry Lester Arnold, James Orville Cantrell, Orva Burton Adair, John William Barless, Albert Linn Simmerman, Emory Neal McCleary.

ONLY FIVE ARE MISSING

All Registered Men Except Five Have Reported to the Local Registration Board.

The publication of a list of 42 men who had failed to return their questionnaires to the local board in The Reporter last week, has resulted in the board getting information on all except five men. As we stated last week, many of the missing names were in the service already, but the board had no official notice of where they were so they could not make the proper entry on the record and several parties were very much incensed, claiming the men had been branded as slackers or deserters, when the article stated just the opposite, and was only making a request that the necessary information be sent to the board.

The following men in the list were found to be already in the service of their country as volunteers:

- James William Taylor, Lloyd Hamilton, Lawrence Glenn Moore, Alvin Nathaniel Hayer, David Arthur Jepson, Albert Gallatin Buftum, Emmett F. Moore, Edward Arthur Gaunt, Zenas Roy Wood, John Henry Martin, Carl Justus Judson, George Roy Rosengrant, James Alexander Gallagher, William V. Grenawalt, Ralph Edson Silvers, Lloyd Walters, Lawrence Earl Young, Silas Moore, Marion Vernon Barrett, John Hamilton Aten. The five men who are as yet unaccounted for are: Joseph Thomas Sandone, Robert Marion Barnhart, Ralph Oliver Baker, Elmer Doss.

Income Tax Man Leaves.

R. L. Schlatter, the income tax inspector who had been in Leon since January 2nd, departed Tuesday evening for Mt. Airy, where he will be located for the next twenty days assisting the citizens of Ringgold county in making out their income tax report.

Did You See the Meteor Tuesday Evening?

Many people in Decatur county witnessed the flight of an enormous meteor about 6 o'clock Tuesday evening. The meteor started in the heavens and traveled in a southeasterly direction, and it was the biggest and brightest ever seen here. It looked like an immense ball of fire, and left a trail of fire in its wake, like a comet, and after it passed a cloud of smoke could be seen in its wake for half an hour or more. It was seen at various places in Iowa, and probably fell to earth somewhere in Missouri or even farther south.

Read Bank Statements.

We have often wondered whether people read the financial statements of banks which are by law required to be published. We are convinced they are read. The past week, two of the biggest farmers in Decatur county while calling at The Reporter office, told us they invariably read the bank statements, and one man said he wished every bank in Decatur county would publish their statement in The Reporter so he could keep posted, for as he said the banks of a county reflect the business which is being done in the county.

Look—A Bargain.

On account of having to spend nine months of my time in the northwest, I offer my residence and adjoining acreage for sale. New nine room house, good barn and garage, and other good improvements. This property is located one block south of the beautiful Harvey park on Main street. Will give time to right parties. If you want a good home with an acreage, don't fail to see this bargain. 12-16-etc. Will McKern.

Guy Flora Died Enroute Home.

Guy Flora, a well known young farmer residing near Davis City, died on a train near Deming, New Mexico, last Thursday night. Guy had been suffering from tuberculosis and went to Silver City about six weeks ago for the benefit of his health. Not getting any better in company with his wife, he had started back home, but died on the train. His remains reached Davis City Monday afternoon, the funeral being held at Davis City Tuesday afternoon.

Coal Shortage Will Curtail Business Hours in Iowa.

It is announced from Des Moines that the state fuel administration will this week issue an order to go into effect Thursday or Friday, fixing 5 o'clock in the evening as the time of closing all business houses except those selling food stuffs and drugs. This order is made necessary by the shortage of fuel, and so-called fuel administrators will be charged to see that the order is enforced.

FARM BUREAU ORGANIZED.

Fred Woolley Accepts Position of County Agent for Four Months.

At the meeting of the directors of the Decatur County War Emergency Bureau held at the court house last Saturday, there was considerable business transacted. President Fred Woolley, of Garden Grove, reported that but five counties in Iowa were already organized and the remainder would be organized by Feb. 1st. This made a great scarcity of county agents, as most of them had been taken up by counties already organized, and state agent Coverdell could not furnish names of any prospective county agents. After discussion, the directors decided to tender the position to Fred Woolley, who was finally persuaded to accept the place for four months and look after the seed corn and other pressing needs, but stated he would not take the position permanently. Everyone would have been glad to see Mr. Woolley become the permanent agent, but he does not want to be tied down, but is willing to make a sacrifice for the next four months. He will commence his duties at once, and an office for the county agent will be fitted up in the court house, and someone will be in charge at all times.

Soldier Boy Died in California.

Wheeler Boyer, the first Decatur county soldier boy to die in service, passed away at Camp Kearney, near San Diego, California, on Jan. 15th, his death resulting from a severe illness after only a few days illness. His body was shipped to Leon, arriving here Monday evening. Wheeler Boyer, eldest son of Harrison and Nancy Boyer, was born at Mt. Airy, Iowa, March 18, 1884, and departed this life on Tuesday morning at 8 o'clock at Camp Kearney, California, of simple meningitis, aged 33 years, 9 months and 28 days. He enlisted his first time when but 21 years of age in the U. S. Cavalry, Regular army at Ft. Riley, Kansas. He served his time there and was honorably discharged, only to re-enlist in a short time in the U. S. Infantry and was stationed at Ft. George Wright, Washington. It was while there, he became a sharpshooter and carried the honor of being selected with others who had qualified as marksmen and was transferred to the Philippine Islands and was stationed there for 15 months to assist in preventing riots. On his return from there, his time had expired and he was honorably discharged Feb. 4, 1911.

Grand River Red Cross Sale.

The town of Grand River up in the northwest corner of Decatur county, pulled off another big Red Cross sale last Saturday which amounted to almost \$1,500, and it was the best sale of the best sales held in this part of the state, considering the size of the town. An opossum was put up and sold and resold until it brought \$192. The people of that community did everything in their power to make the sale a grand success, and the auctioneers, Owens & Daughton, of Beaconsfield, Loren Tullis, of Decatur, and Roy Clawson and Col. N. B. Eaves, of Grand River, did quick and effective work in making sales and getting top prices. The sale was all finished up in just four hours. And say, the Red Cross folks at Grand River are feeling mighty grateful to everybody who helped make the sale the success it was.

Leonard Fowler in Hands of Receiver.

The Leonard Fowler System and the American Advertising Co., of Michigan, went into the hands of a receiver last week, on application of Leonard Fowler, who was head of the two firms, and scheduled liabilities of \$97,000 and assets of \$100,000. Fowler is the smooth talking man who forked a good many Iowa towns into contracting for "Go to Church" Signs, Leon being among the number, and his victims all over Iowa will have few regrets over his failure.

Weldon Sailor Boy Injured at Sea.

Gordon Farmer, of Weldon, who enlisted some time ago in the navy, had both arms broken by a falling mast of the United States battleship Michigan, when the vessel was caught in a heavy gale at sea last Thursday. Six men were killed and three injured. The men were killed and injured by the falling of a cage mast, the first accident of its kind in the history of the navy. Gordon's many friends in the vicinity of Weldon are hoping he will speedily recover from his injuries, for he is a mighty fine young man.

Marriage Licenses.

- C. R. Jewett, Aurora, Neb. 37 Gertrude Jewett, Lineville. 38 T. J. Kelley, Lineville. 24 Venie Davis, Lineville. 14 Edward J. Staley, Harvey. 24 Mrs. D. D. Dushara, Knoxville. 24

TWENTYFIVE YEARS AGO

Items Taken from the Files of The Reporter Published a Quarter of a Century Ago.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Warner left Monday for their new home at Garden Grove where Mr. Warner will open a jewelry store. Will Timberman met with a serious accident while chopping wood out on west Grand River, a limb being struck and striking him on the head, causing concussion of the brain. Dr. A. Brown was called and attended to his wants, he is reported to be getting along as well as could be expected.

J. W. Osborn, of Woodland township, brought to The Reporter office last Saturday a curiosity in the shape of a piece of well preserved wood which was taken from a well being bored on the farm of Wm. Hartman, to a depth of 82 feet from the surface. The wood is at this office and anyone can see and examine it by calling. A child of Mr. and Mrs. Henry McKern, 14 months old, died Tuesday morning and was buried yesterday. Our citizens were shocked Monday to hear of the death of A. J. Detrick in Des Moines, where he had gone to take medical treatment. Mr. Sam Rush and Miss Mattie Eaton were united in marriage at Chatterton Monday evening at 8 o'clock, at the M. E. parsonage. Sam has been fooling our reporter for some time, but he can't fool us this time.

Charles L. Rudabaugh

Charles L. Rudabaugh, an old settler of Davis City, now living at Creston, Colorado, had the misfortune to lose both hands by the premature explosion of a blast a short time ago. Mr. Frazee has many friends in this vicinity who sympathize with him in his great affliction. Francis Cross, indicted for the Wakefield highway robbery, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to ten years at Ft. Madison, where he was taken by sheriff LaFollette last Friday. The prisoner's wounds received at the time of his arrest were broken out afresh and will probably cause him to lose his leg. As he was without money or friends he doubtless thought he would be better off in the pen than out of it. Mrs. Bessie Grannon, of Kansas City, came Tuesday to attend the funeral of her father, A. J. Detrick. Mrs. T. R. Roberts, who was in Leon visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Landis, left Wednesday for her home at Guthrie, Oklahoma. Her brother, Sam Landis, accompanied her to Guthrie. Cy Gordon, of Woodland, returned last week from Nebraska, where he was called to see his son, Finley, who accidentally struck a knife in his thigh, and for some days was not expected to recover, but is now getting along nicely.

Corporal at Camp McArthur, Texas. Writes Decatur County Red Cross Chapter.

Many letters of acknowledgement have been received by individuals and the Red Cross Chapter from Soldier boys who received Red Cross Christmas packages prepared in Decatur county, and among the unique ones was the following poem from Corporal Wm. W. Green, at Waco, Texas, addressed to the Decatur County Red Cross Chapter, Camp McArthur, Tex., Dec. 28, 1917.

It's twilight down in Texas, the clouds are drifting high, Another day has ended and the moon's rays fill the sky. Although the days don't seem alike, and evenings not so long, With all kinds now to cheer us, Christmas here does sure feel wrong. But Christmas night all was different and all the boys were glad, Same old music was in the air, and somebody felt bad. Somehow the moon shines brighter, the air smells sweeter, too. 'Cause Christmas cheer in woolen socks was sent to me from you. The fellows all were singing, they couldn't help but smile, 'Cause the packages were handed out in good old Christmas style. We'll remember and I'll remember you, perhaps on weary days A soldiering for our country, the good old land we praise. I'm smoking the pipe now, and just "chuck full of thanks, And at each "whiff" of smoke a "thank you" wings its way in Waves of gratefulness. Yours sincerely, Corp. Wm. W. Green. Battery F, 119th Field Artillery.

New Court Cases.

Mary Delk by her mother and next friend vs. K. A. and Lyle Wilson. Suit is brought claiming damages in the sum of \$3,125 for injuries received when Mary Delk 12 years old, was run down by a pony ridden by Lyle Wilson on the streets of Weldon about October 1st. W. J. Springer and C. W. Hoffman attorneys for plaintiff. J. C. Cozad vs. Gurley Geages. Plaintiff sues for \$1,000 damages and a writ of injunction restraining defendant from allowing his cattle to run in a field owned by plaintiff. The defendant purchased 28 bushels of corn at a sale at which it was stated the buyer had no interest in the stalks, or pasture in the field, and plaintiff alleges defendant turned in 36 head of cattle on the land, the cattle being in a very burry condition which will cause the land to be seeded with burs. C. W. Hoffman and Ed H. Sharp attorneys for plaintiff.

Staley—Dunkers.

Mr. Samuel J. Staley, of Harvey, Iowa, and Miss Fannie Dunkers, of Knoxville, Iowa, were married at the clerk's office in the court house in Leon on Tuesday Jan. 22nd, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. M. Brooks, pastor of the M. E. church. They will make their home at Harvey, Iowa.

Jewett—Jewett.

Mr. C. R. Jewett, of Aurora, Neb., and Mrs. Gertrude Jewett, of Lineville, were quietly married in this city last Thursday the ceremony being performed by Justice A. R. Warford. They will make their home at Aurora, Neb.

FOOD SPEAKERS COMING.

Will be at Leon on Friday, Feb. 15th, Speakers Direct from France in the Party.

A big food conservation speaking tour of two weeks starts in Iowa on Monday, Feb. 11th, and Leon is fortunate in being placed on the schedule. W. H. Shields, county food commissioner, having got in early with his application to have the speakers come to Leon, and he with the assistance of county superintendent Miss Mabel Horner, chairman of the Women's Committee, will have charge of local arrangements. This speaking tour is under the general supervision of J. F. Deems, Iowa Food Commissioner, W. W. Orrick, of Sioux City is field representative and will travel ahead of the party making arrangements for the meetings. Roscoe Mitchell and John D. Barry, who come direct from France and Italy, where they made a personal investigation of two months, will tell of actual food conditions in those countries. They are speakers of repute, and everyone should hear them, for it will be first hand information, and better than any Chautauqua lecture on this subject. The party will also have with them a lady speaker of national reputation. They will arrive at Leon at noon and remain here until the next morning, and the local committee will arrange for both afternoon and evening meetings. Here will be a chance to hear the latest word pictures of active warfare and it will not cost you a penny, no money being required to secure these speakers.

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Charles Loriane Rudabaugh was born June 5, 1855, near Palestine, Columbian county, Ohio; died at 8 o'clock Jan. 15, 1918, at his home near Davis City, Iowa, aged 62 years, 7 months and 10 days. All that loving hands could do was done, but fate was in a higher power. He was the only son of George and Mary Rudabaugh. His parents emigrated in 1859, to Wapello county, Iowa, thence to Decatur county, where for 77 years he shared the family pioneer life on Iowa prairies. He visited Davis City at various intervals, but it was in 1877, when he settled and made this town his permanent home. On Sept. 5, 1878, he was united in marriage to Miss Orlena Crayton. This union was born two children, Mrs. Georgina M. Reger and Lois Mildred, who were all with him during his last illness. From 1879, this farm on which he died, was his abiding home, 38 years of progress and advancement. He was an Odd Fellow for 27 years, member of the board of county supervisors, a school director for 35 consecutive years, all of which means that he had a place in the community, and filled it with credit, always looking after the interest of the community. He leaves an aged mother, 82 years of age, and two sisters, Mrs. Cicie Barr, of Lineville, Iowa, and Mrs. Nettie Keaton, of Orchards, Washington, to mourn their loss as well as his faithful wife, two daughters, one nephew, two nieces, and two grandchildren. He was a kind and devoted father, and always looking forward for the welfare of his family. There will be the vacant chair and the empty household, the community and friends will miss him, but we have a strong home of meeting again in the morning, the husband, the father, the friend, at God's right hand, through Jesus Christ Almighty Grace. The funeral services were conducted at the Union church in Davis City, Jan. 17, 1918, at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. W. E. Shugr, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church, and the remains were interred in the I. O. O. F. cemetery at Davis City by the ritualistic service of the I. O. O. F. Card of Thanks—We extend our thanks to our numerous friends and neighbors and I. O. O. F. who so kindly gave their assistance in the last illness and bereavement of our dearly beloved husband and father. Mrs. Orlena J. Rudabaugh and Children.

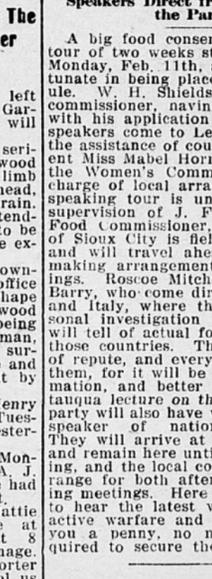
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