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ECHOES FROM THE PAST

YANKEE SETTLEMENT'S STORY

(Continued)

Since 1880 many new buildings have been put up. In 1884 the store which R. C. Cocking now occupies was erected and four years later the first bank, now the State Bank, was established. In 1892, the present structure of the Congregational church was erected to take the place of the original one dedicated in 1854 which was later moved from its site near the southern edge of town to a central location to become the Jim Fowler home. It was afterwards remodeled into a private dwelling and is now occupied by Arthur Welterlen. The first Congregational minister was the Rev. G. S. Gates.

In 1892 it was decided to build a new school building, the old one being moved away, later to be consumed in the fire of 1908. Th eastern half of the old part of the present school building was the result. In 1902 the west half of the old building was added. In 1922 $60,000 worth of bonds were voted by the community to erect the new plant which now houses the high school activities.

Open New Lumber Yard

A second lumber yard was opened in the town by Funk Brothers. At that time the other one started in 1873, was operated by R. S. Huntington. Later both yards were taken over by the Iowa Lumber Co., which in 1915 sold them to the Spahn & Rose Lumber Co.

The present hotel with nineteen guest rooms, steam heat, running water and electric lights was built in 1900 to replace a private residence which was then serving meals to the public. That same year, Edgewood got its first theater, the Hesner Opera House. The upper room was then used for public performances and the lower floors, as now, for store rooms. The store at present operated by E. J. Putz was first opened by Hatch and Coolidge, later run by Coolidge and Barr and then by Barr and V. J.

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CALENDAR

Dec. 21, Boys' basketball at Elkader.
Dec. 23—Jan. 3, Vacation
Jan. 7 First & Midget teams at Strawberry Point.
Jan. 14, Boys' basketball at Hopkinton.
Jan. 18, Glee club and orchestra concert.
Jan. 21. Double-header at Manchester
Jan. 28, Double-header at Lamont.

CLUBS GIVE CONCERT JAN. 18

Musical life in Edgewood High School will come to a focus on January 18 when both the boys and girls glee clubs unite with the high school orchestra in giving a concert in the high school auditorium. Present plans call for a whole evening of instrumental and vocal music with Mr. DiTella, the orchestra leader, present to participate in the leadership of the affair.

A provisional program is as follows:

Orchestra:
a. March, The Flying Ace
b. Overture, Light Calvalry
c. Popular number, So's your Old Lady.

Boys' Glee Club
a. Out on the Deep
b. Watch the Corners
c. The Man in the Moon

Violin Solo, Serenade (Drdla) Jerome Newman.

Girls' Sextet

Saxophone Duet, Humoreske, Gayle Peick, Charles Chapman

Boys' Quartet

Violin Duet, Dream of Love (Casini) Helen Hanson, Eleanor Chapman

Girls' Glee Club

Orchestra. Popular number, That Night in Araby.
March, The Skipper.

GARDNER TALKS ON ATHLETICS

Co-operation, Loyalty and Physical Development are the objectives of athletics, Supt. P. K. Gardner maintained in an assembly talk last Thursday. He pointed out that unless the first two were achieved, results in the last were not worth the price.

LOSE TWO GAMES TO LAMONT

After starting the basketball season with a glorious victory over Strawberry Point at Edgewood, the Orange and Black boys' team, playing before the largest crowds in local history, was overwhelmed by Lamont Friday by the score of 46 to 8 and the week before by Colesburg 18 to 9.

The girls' team playing almost entirely inexperienced players, gave the seasoned Lamont team the battle of its life holding them 5 to 5 in the first half to be outpointed in the final minutes of play after disqualifications weakened the defense. At Colesburg, the girls not yet accustomed to their teamwork were completely at sea and while they scored whenever the ball came into their possession, their opponents played with a machine-like precision that kept the ball in the enemy territory most of the time. The final score was 62 to 10.

Players Disqualified

Basketball appeared to be in for its best year on record at Edgewood when the season started. After losing but two regular players from last year's squad and with available substitutes, E. H. S. seemed to be set for an unparalleled season. Mumps took Ted Robinson and Harold Beatty. Four players were eliminated from the team for not obeying training rules.

In the Lamont game, almost an entire new lineup started the game. Peick at center, Scovel and Gates at forward, and Sterling and Ash at guard, while having the possibilities of making a splendid team, went on the floor practically without training. Sevey got into play during the latter part of the game. The first half ended 26 to 0 with the large, agile Lamont players scoring at will and Edgewood tossing away many chances to score. With the second Lamont team substituted, Edgewood started scoring immediately, but the opponents soon got their pace and outpointed them.

Play Elkader Tuesday

The boys' team journeys to Elkader

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YANKEE SETTLEMENT'S STORY

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Coolidge. The year of 1900 saw the reorganization of the then sole bank into the State Bank of Edgewood.

Fire Does Much Damage

In the spring of 1908 the present State Bank building was started It was still in process of construction when the most disastrous fire in local history swept along the east side of the present business district and eastward from the State Bank building leaving the ashes of eighteen buildings in its wake. The bank building received little damage. With the wooden buildings gone brick ones were made possible. On the west side of the main business street, the building occupied by the Alcorn and Stone barber shops and the Shaffer Jewelry Store was built in 1910. That year Barr & Coolidge dissolved partnership and the firm became Coolidge & Putz.

The Farmer's Savings Bank was organized in 1912. Henry Putz was the first cashier. In 1913 the electric light system was put in. The next year Putz and Coolidge became Putz and Co. and later E. J. Putz.

Welterlen's garage was the first local venture in the automobile business when the present building was erected in 1915. Two years later the Catholic church was dedicated, making it possible for local members of the congregation to worship at home instead of at Greeley and Littleport as had been the custom.

Fire protection and many modern conveniences and sanitary improvements were made possible when the town installed the present water system in 1922. The telephone system was established in 1897 and now serves over 100 residences and business houses. The latest business structure to be put up was the Bellamy gasoline station.

In 1924 F. H. Hatch enlarged and improved property that he owned so that he could handle large quantities of poultry and eggs. The machinery installed made possible the feeding and shipping alive or dressed of carloads of poultry. The business has spread into other communities where branch stores are operated.

The new Yankee settlement has learned more and more toward dairying and poultry raising. During the panicy times after the World War, not a bank in the community or in the county had to go into bankruptcy. The record has been attributed to the strength of those two agricultural side lines.

LOSE TWO GAMES TO LAMONT

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Tuesday evening when the new team will engage the county seat aggregation in combat. Little is known of the caliber of the Elkader team but the boys say they are going over to win.

Win from Strawberry Point

Strawberry Point's cagers went down in a 40 to 33 defeat on Edgewood's floor in the first game of the season, December 3. In a well-played game in which the enemy was able to tie but never to out-score the Orange and Black, superior defensive work at the end of the game and superior foul shooting were responsible for the victory. The new bleachers were nearly crowded to capacity with the largest audience yet to see a game at Edgewood. The boys appeared in their new suits and spectators said they looked stunning.

The line-up follows:

Edgewood		Strawberry Point
Robinson	R. F.	W. Alterson
H. Stalnaker	L. F.	M. Alterson
M. Reusch	C.	Whitlock
R. Ash	R. G.	Bowman
B. Stone	L. G.	D. Stafford

Substitutions: G. Peick for M. Reusch; Stone for Peick; Robinson for Ash. Todd for Ash; Summary: Field goals, Ash 1; Stone 3; Robinson 2; H. Stalnaker 7; M. Reeusch 3; G. Peick 1; W. Alterson 3. M. Alterson 1; D. Stafford 2. Free throws: H. Stalnaker 3; Stone 3: M. Alterson 1; Whitlock 1; D. Stafford 1.

As a preliminary, the Edgewood Midgets played to an exciting victory over the Strawberry Point junior high team, winning 18 to 15. Throwing 8 foul goals in 9 chances contributed much to the winning of the game.

The following boys got into the battle: Hubert Appleton, Chas Chapman, Jerome Newman, Herman Lewis, Howard Kramer, and Francis Arthur. Several possible players were ineligible on account of low deportment grades.

Colesburg Wins Two

Fifteen Edgewood basketball play-

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THE SCHOOL LUNCH

Miss Alma Wigdahl, teacher of vocational home economics, is responsible for the statement that about one- third of the pupils in E. H. S. who cannot go home for a meal at noon eat no lunch at all. "There must be a reason for this," she says, "because every normal, healthy child should be hungry at noon, especially if his breakfast was eaten at six or seven o'clock in the morning.

In speaking of the importance of the non lunch, she pointed out that the lunch box itself should be such that it may be easily and thoroughly cleaned. "The food should be attractively packed so that the child will be tempted to eat all of it. Each article of food should be wrapped with waxed or clean white paper.

"Simplicity and variety should be the chief requisite of a lunch" Miss Wigdahl says "Sandwiches, whole-grained cereals filled with butter, peanut paste, cream cheese honey, raisins and nuts, dates and nuts, lettuce and mayonnaise, mayonnaise and chopped egg, and other simple combinations should furnish the back bone of the lunch for every pupil in our school."

Miss Wigdahl recommends that to these there be added some fruit such as an apple, orange, a bunch of grapes, figs, or dates, then to the fruit and sandwiches a glass of milk. These, she claims make up a lunch containing all the necessary foods for a growing person.

Miss Wigdahl believes that children packing their lunches after the morning meal are attracted to sweets and for that reason the mothers should determine the contents of the lunch box.

Pupils Must Have Milk

Every child should drink upwards a quart of milk a day, Miss Wigdahl maintains. Since pupils don't like to carry milk, custards, and similar dishes, the school tries to provide milm, vegetables or fruit at a small cost in the school lunch served by the home economics department. She urges that parets cooperate with the department in encouraging the patronage of the noon dap lunch and consequently the formation of proper food habits such as should be acquired in babyhood. Should the mothers back her, she would provide a glass of milk every noon for the sixty-five pupils who do not go home.

"The greatest evil here in our school is the large amount of candy and ice cream cones that make up the entire luch of many pupils." The home economics teacher urges that cake, pie, cookies be replaced with fruit, raw or cooked, a few stalks of fresh celery or a good vegetable salad She believes that pupils will eat the right things when they see the sense and reason of it.

H. E. GIRLS CAN MUCH FRUIT

Home economics girls of the ninth and tenth grades did much canning last summer putting up altogether 4,284 quarts of fruit and vegetables. Among these there were 200 quarts of pears 380 of corn, 330 of beans, 252 of raspberries, 530 of tomatoes, 152 of piccalilli, 23 of beets, 255 of cucumbers, 200 of sweet apple pickles, 506 of apple sauce, 90 of pears, 125 of peaches, 600 of currants, and 57 of pork.

In the home of Vera Rizer the largest amount of canned fruits and vegetables was conserved, 602 quarts being put on the shelf. At Marion Pilgrim's home 500 quarts took second place while at Helen Smith's, 385 quarts were put up for future use.

There were over 900 glasses of jams and jellies, Helen Hanson and Marion Pilgrim reporting the most.

A tableaux of "The Courtship of Miles Standish" was given by the girls club of Superior, Nebraska. After the program tea was served.

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SPORTSMANSHIP

Are you a real sportsman? Did you ever stop to think about it? Sooner or later you will be classed as either a good or poor sportsman.

The term "sportsman" no longer means one who hunts or fishes but is applied to all who indulge in any form of athletics where one must show his "sportsmanship".

A good sportsman follows the rules of the game, is loyal to his fellow players and organization, plays the game fairly and not for himself but for the whole team and the school. He does not lose his temper or gloat over victory but keeps a clean mind and soul in his healthy body. In defeat he comes through with a clean fighting spirit and a will to do better next time.

Being a good sportsman will contribute much towards success both in school and in life. The good sportsman attitude should become habitual. If it does, it will be a great advantage to any student in any game or work he may do. Let's all cultivate the habit of "good sportsmanship".

H. E. DEPT. SERVES LUNCH

Hot lunch every day became part of the program of the Home Economics Department last Monday when the girls under Miss Alma Wigdahl's direction, opened the kitchen to the rural pupils. One or more hot dishes will be served each noon at a cost ranging from three to five cents.

Thirty hungry pupils took advantage of the service last week and were served by a 10th grade committee consisting of Hazel Moser, Alice Fensterman and Vera Rizer. Elda Schultz, Marion Pilgrim and Nina Foster have charge of it this week. The ninth grade girls are preparing the food.

Meal tickets have been made and are sold for fifty cents to permit pupils to eat without handling small amounts of money each day. A menu for the week is posted in the building and pupils sign up for the things they wish to have.

WE'RE BOUND TO WIN

By Dorothy Mae Minkler

You'll find that luck
Just comes from pluck
And pluck just comes from training
So let us train, good athletes,
And luck we will be gaining.

I know that we'll beat Colesburg
And Strawberry we'll defeat
So train and train
For all you're worth,
And see if we don't beat.

LOSE TWO GAMES TO LAMONT

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ers journeyed to Colesburg on November 10 where both Edgewood teams were defeated in a small gym whose most objectionable feature was a low ceiling. The boys lost 9 to 18 and the girls 10 to 62.

The boys' team was temporarily weakened by the loss of players when training rules were enforced. The first half ended 4 to 2 in favor of Edgewood. R. Ash did a fine job of guarding at a position in which he was new. Stone, Stalnaker, Robinson Peick, Gates and Todd were among those making the trip.

Due to inexperience, the Orange and Black girls' team suffered at the hands of Colesburg's veterans. Lucile Gray scored eight of the ten points on field goals, Charlotte Stone getting the other two. Angie Stone was about the only experienced player to get into the game for Edgewood. Helen Smith, Frances Barr, Gertrude Ashline, Mary Todd and Grace Moser were among players on the squad.

Gayle Peick and Angie Stone were elected captains of the basketball teams on Friday.

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E. H. S. PLACES IN DECLAM.

By winning two places in the sub-county declamatory contest at Elkader, Dec. 2, Edgewood High School was able to be represented in the finals at Strawberry Point on Dec. 10 where the team placed third. Guttenberg with three entrants from the north half of the county, won the county cup in the finals, taking two firsts and a second while Strawberry Point was close behind with a first and second. Edgewood took two thirds.

Kathryne Lucey with her humorous reading, "Naughty Zell", won first over all at Elkader. Francis Wooldridge lived up to expectations when he took second in oratory, giving "The Martyr President". Angie Stone in the dramatic class, reading "The Death Disk" pushed her opponents hard and was given a first by one of the judges. The fact that the same reading was given earlier in the program detracted from the interest of the audience. Local people felt that had Angie appeared earlier in the program she would have gone to the finals.

At Strawberry Point Kathryne got away to a poor start while Francis almost lived up to predictions when he was but one per cent behind the winner. Edgewood contestants received one first. To experienced coaches, it was a matter of declamatory style that won, those having the style most pleasing to the particular judges getting the decisions.

At both contests, contestants, coaches, and superintendents were banqueted before the evening's entertainment.

NOWETOMPATIMIN'S BUSY (Girls-

During the month of December, the "Nowetompatimin" Camp Fire held weekly meetings. The girls sold pop corn and candy at the Strawberry Point basket ball game, Dec. 3, making two dollars and five cents. On the following Saturday, a bake-sale at Noble, Rulon & Company's store cleared three dollars and ninety-five cents. The Dec. 8 meeting was held at the home of Gertrude Ashline where a taffy pull was the chief attraction.

High school parties have been held at Coggan and Harris.

GRADES TO CELEBRATE XMAS

With Christmas approaching, all the grade rooms are preparing informal programs and parties most of which will be held on Thursday, Dec. 23.

A question box with questions pertaining to geography will be opened by the Better English Club as one of the features of its Christmas party to be held Dec. 22.

Both the primary and 3rd-4th grade rooms have as part of their holiday decorations native Christmas trees which were cut down in the country by the teachers, Miss Mable Farr and Florence Johnson, and partly dragged to town by them. An accommodating farmer loaded them on his wagon and brought them the rest of the way.

Two volley ball games were played by the fifth and sixth grade teams Dec. 14 during the recess periods. Eugene Gifford's team won the first with a score of 10-9. Miss Rose Ann Pope, their teacher, says that both teams showed remarkable ability during the play.

HIKING CLUB ENTERTAINS MEN

Because of the piling up of various school duties, the members of the Faculty Hiking club did not reach the standard of mileage set for them during November and according to an agreement reached beforehand, the penalty was the giving of a dinner to the male members of the faculty. Last Wednesday in the home economics rooms, the group feasted with Supt. Paul K. Gardner and Mr. Doyle K. Cottrell as guests of honor. The dinner was prepared and served by the home economics girls under the direction of Miss Alma Wigdahl. The sewing room was appropriately decorated for the occasion. A Christmas tree was one of the principal attractions from which presents were delivered to the various members of the group and opened before everyone present.

Mrs. Gardner and Mrs. Cottrell are members of the club and were present

Plays are being selected by many schools, according to exchange received here. "Come Out of the Kitchen" was chosen by the students at Olin for production; "The Arrival of Kitty" at Pipestone, Minn.

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MANY BEES KEPT NEAR HERE

By Garold Fensterman

There are only three farmers represented in E. H. S. who have beekeeping as a side line. Earl Beatty, Alton Rizer and Fred Fensterman

Alton Rizer has two stands. Fred Fensterman has put away in the cellar for the winter, three stands. He obtained a crop of 70 pounds of honey from two of the stands, the other being a late young colony.

Frank Thurn, undoubtedly the largest beekeeper in the vicinity, has put away for wintering 200 colonies. In the spring of 1926 he started out with 150 colonies and the 50 colonies represent the natural increase of the swarms. From his bees, Mr. Thurn harvested 13,000 pounds of extracted honey which sold for 12½c per pound, making an income of $1625 on the apiary, averaging $8.12 per colony. In preparing his colonies for winter, he examined each colony carefully and replaced the light frames with ones well filled to insure plenty of stores to keep the bees over winter. He requeened 180 colonies so that he could be sure he had good strong, egg-laying queens which he says are very essential to successful beekeeping.

John Derr has 38 colonies in the cellar. Last spring he had but 12 colonies. He has requeened the entire apiary. From his hives he harvested 500 pounds, averaging $5.20 worth to the hive.

Earl Beatty increased his hives from one to 4 last season but harvested no honey. He has them in the cellar and expects to put the supers back on the hives to feed them.

Mrs. Ruby Wiltsie has 65 colonies as a result of the season's start of 25 of which 18 were requeened. She sold 1040 pounds of honey from them getting 13½ a pound for the light honey and 12½ for the dark. Mrs. Wiltsie has an ideal cellar for wintering bees, she says, the temperature ranging between 50 and 55 degrees, but due to unfavorable weather has not been able to get them in there yet although she plans to. She enjoys working with bees very much.

Mrs. Lucy Adams has 16 colonies but they made no increase this year. One swarm was requeened. She expects to feed two, giving them granulated sugar syrup, using the gallon pail method. They will be put in the cellar when favorable weather permits it. From her bees she got 840 pounds of honey and sold it for 13½ a pound.

FIND FEW TRACTORS ON FARMS

On 47 farms represented in E. H. S. only five tractors are found. The tractor owners are Ernest Stone, Ernest Ash, Mark Weyant, Charles Lighty and Fred Sherman. Mr. Stone owned 9 horses before he bought the tractor and now has 7. Mr. Ash has 7 horses and Mr. Weyant 6 horses

Nearly all of these tractors are used to do outside belt work in addition to plowing. Threshing, silo filling, shredding and rock crushing are among the usages to which they are put. Each farmer feels that a tractor will best pay for itself when put to work throughout the year.

Edgewood farmers say that one of the greatest drawbacks to the adoption of the tractor in this locality is the rough lay of the land and small size of the farms. A great number of farmers have a share in a tractor through threshing companies and the like but as a rule these tractors are too large and heavy to be used at ordinary farm tasks.

AG. CLASS STUDIES GRAINS

The boys' agriculture class has been spending much time on the study of small grain. It has given intensive study to the origin, history, adaption, uses, importance and varieties of wheat, oats, barley and rye. Little time was spent on rice and crops not grown here as the boys believed the other small grains to be the ones deserving most of their study

The class is just beginning a study of the legumes and is very much interested in them because of the fact that they are the only soil builders among plants, taking up oxygen from the air and leaving it in the soil.

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EXCHANGES REVEAL ACTIVITIES

Football is over for the year and according to many exchanges received, numerous championship claims are made by our sister schools. Marshalltown, Fond du Lac (Wis.) Sac City, Pipestone (Minn.) and Shreveport (La.) were championship teams in their sections of the country their publications say. The West Hi (Des Moines) Tattler points out that the annual football party is a coming event there.

Basketball has started in all of the above schools as well as at Coggan, Atlantic, Chillicothe (Mo.) and Ledyard with each school aspiring for title honors this winter. Season tickets are being sold at Arribia and the Shortridge High School, Indianapolis (Ind.)

GLEE CLUBS AT WORK

Glee clubs are progressing in their work, the exchanges indicate. An innovation has been started at Arribia, Colo. according to the "Arribian" where the glee clubs wear special uniforms in their public appearances. The boys have white trousers and sweaters with purple ties; the girls white dresses trimmed in purple, the school colors. The boys and girls glee clubs of Olin, says the Olinian, have united to give the cantata, "Emanuel" at Christmas time. "Trial by Jury" was given by the clubs of Chillicothe (Mo.) "At Howe with Santa" is the Christmas operetta to be given by the pupils of Superior (Neb.) "Pickles" is the operetta chosen at Litchfild (Neb.) The grades of the Arribia (Colo.) school are preparing to give an operetta.

"The Echoes", Hastings, (Neb.) records that they have a violin choir of five violins and two accompanists.

Litchfield pupils have new lockers.

Shreveport home economics girls won four first places in exhibits at the Louisiana State Fair.

Hot lunch is being served by the home economics girls of Ledyard and Olin.

A style show was given in the gymnasium by the home economics girls at Marshalltown. Afterwards they served tea to a number of mothers and friends.

West High (Des Moines) has started boys' swimming team practise. Ten boys are out. The junior and senior high Camp Fire clubs at this school have been joined together.

F. E. SHARP WRITES

F. E. Sharp, class of 1912, who has recently joined the firm of R. E. and V. T. Price at Elkader writes as follows:

"My first years of school were spent in the rural schools near Edgewood. My first experience in town school began in the 8th grade or the Grammar Room. Our teacher was Mary Meyer, now County Superintendent of Schools of Clayton County. My High School career was during the years 1908-12. We had many changes of teachers and Superintendents during that time. My first Superintendent was Thos. R. Roberts, but he left us in the middle of the year to become County Superintendent.

"While in High School I conceived the idea of studying Law. Our Superintendent suggested that he, Ed Witt, and I start a law firm of "Sharp, Witt & Wisdom." Mr. Wisdom is now Assistant Attorney General at Des Moines.

"After finishing High School, I attended State Teachers College at Cedar Falls, and graduated in the class of 1916 receiving the B. A. degree. At college I participated in most of the college and student activities for the broad training to be obtained thereby.

"Upon graduation from college, I secured a position as Coach and Manual Training instructor at Livermore, Iowa, which work I enjoyed very much. But in the middle of my second year there, in December 1917, the call of the war became so strong, that I went to Camp Dodge and enlisted in the 88th Division.

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ALUMNI RIPPLES

ELGA RULON WRITES

"The class of 1921 had for its number that unlucky thirteen including Clara Cocking, Helen Tarry, Thelma Stone Estling, Vera Robinson Beddow, Esther Hochhaus, Erma Pilgrim, Amanda Aehman Faust, Blanche Cole, Ruth Cole, Earl Zerley, Daniel Wiley, James Adams and myself with C. F. Evans as superintendent and Jennie L. Forward as principal.

"After finishing high school, I commenced work in the Journal office under E. J. Maloney and continued under B. W. Briggs. After working in that place for four years, I accepted an offer as manager of Hurshburger's branch store in Waterloo and remained there until the store was sold.

"I then accepted a place in the Rialto Theater at Cedar Rapids. There I worked from the bottom up until I was manager. A promotion to the managership of the Isis Theatre at Cedar Rapids then came to me.

"At present I, with one helper, cut out, frame, paint and ship all advertisements for Mr. Franks. Since there are seventy-five theaters in the chain the work keeps us busy all day and most of the night, but I like the work.

"Of the rest of the class, seven are in business, three homemakers, one is a farmer and another is remaining at home.

Elga Rulon.

NEWS OF ROBERT WHEELER

Alumni members will be pleased to learn of the whereabouts of Robert Wheeler who graduated from E. H. S. in the class of 1914.

After graduating here he attended and graduated in 1916 from the Bayless Business College at Dubuque. Following that, for six years he toured the country with Chautauqua companies, one of the most famous of which was Kryl's band. Following this, for six years he had played with the Osborne orchestra at Minneapolis when during the present year he went to Winnipeg, Canada for further orchestra work. This work he is returning to his old orchestra at Minneapolis.

Robert is a specialist on the clarinet, saxaphone and other instruments. He got his first taste of music in the Edgewood band when Charles Todd was leader.

F. E. SHARP WRITES

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"After six months intensive training we left camp on Decoration Day and started convoying Army trucks from Chicago to the eastern ports. Those trips were very interesting and will be long remembered.

"In August 1918 we embarked for France and after 13 days of travelling sub-marine infested seas, we landed at Liverpool, England, and a few days later we were in France, where we went immediately to the Toul sector. But the armistice was soon signed, and the war ended. However we had to stay in France for several months before we could get transportation back to the good old U. S. A.

"On reaching home again my friend Don Huntoon of Dubuque, and I published a history and souvenir album, using materials and pictures which we collected while in the service.

"Then I was Supt. of Schools at Emerson, Iowa, for about a year and a half. Feeling the old call to the Law, and with the advice and counsel of my good wife, we entered the Law School of the University of Wisconsin in June 1921 and after a year and a half of delightful study there, we decided it might be better to finish the work in our home state, so came to the Iowa Law School in September 1922 and finished the course the following year and was admitted to the Bar.

"My good friends all know my successes and failures since locating in the practise of my profession in the ld home town."

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