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A. E. Bader, 71, Dies Suddenly New Years Day

A. E. Bader, 71, died at six o'clock New Year's morning in the Mendota hospital, where he had been admitted shortly previous suffering from a heart attack.

Funeral services were held in the Church of St. Theresa Saturday morning, the Rev. H. J. Hahn officiating at the requiem mass. Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery, Mendota, with the Rev. Edward Bader, of Streator, nephew of the deceased, officiating at the graveside rites. Pallbearers were A. O. Mueller, Warren Willey, E. J. Hanley, H. J. Miller, Dr. E. H. Rayson and A. D. Yenerich. Honorary pallbearers were the seven directors of the Earlville Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company, Cal Hughes, Erwin Kaminsky, Alfred Klatt, Clarence Gast, Wayman Smith, Oscar Boltz and Jeffrey Larson and the assistant manager, Lester Kaminsky. Torgman and Sons were in charge of the arrangements.

August Edwin Bader was born in St. Genevieve, Mo., the son of Max and Julia Kern Bader, on October 19, 1887. He was educated and grew to manhood there and as a young man was engaged with his brothers in the business of constructing grain elevators.

He was united in marriage, with Miss Helen Blass in Holy Cross Church, Mendota, on May 2, 1916. At that time he was manager of the Hinkle grain elevator but two years later he moved his family to Earlville where he became manager of the Earlville Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company. He had served in that capacity since and was making plans for retirement on March 1 of this year. He was a member of the Church of St. Theresa and its Holy Name Society.

Survivors include his wife, Helen, and their three children—Aubrey of Peru, Ruth (Mrs. Ray Yenerich) of Paw Paw and Betty (Mrs. John Meyer) of Marseilles; eight grandchildren; one brother, Charles, of Mendota and one sister, Mrs. Ellen Miller of St. Genevieve. Besides his parents he was preceded in death by three brothers and three sisters.

Reminder Cards Sent to Earlville Residents

Cards, reminding 436 Earlville area residents to send in their contribution for Christmas seals have been mailed out by the LaSalle County Tuberculosis Association, said R. W. Strong, Earlville area seal sale chairman.

Of the \$21,936.80 that has been donated, 336 contributions, totaling \$24.00 have been received from Earlville.

The importance of continued support of the Association program was again brought out with the discovery of another county high school student with active TB; this makes a total of three students, this past year, discovered with TB because of the Association tuberculosis testing program.

Some other activities supported by Christmas seal contributions are mobile unit x-rays, hospital admission x-rays, educational programs in schools and the community, and the very important medical research programs which will bring about the eventual eradication of tuberculosis.

Daughter Born to Ray Bergmeiers

A daughter, Rhonda Rae, was born in the Mendota hospital New Year's Day to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bergmeier. The mother is the former Delilah Besix.

The baby's brother, Michael Cottingham, was eight years old on Christmas day. The grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reix of Earlville and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bergmeier of Alpha, Minn.

Paw-Paw Juniors to Present Play

The junior class of the Paw Paw High School will present the play "Dino" at the school Saturday evening, January 10, starting at 8 p.m.

Mrs. Edith Stevens will direct the production.

Baptist Mission Pastor Moves to Earlville

James A. Lester, of Mendota, has accepted the pastorate of the Earlville Baptist Mission and moved to Earlville Thursday. He



James A. Lester

began his work here Sunday, coming from a fourteen month pastorate at Mendota.

Brother Lester was raised in Kentucky, attending elementary and high school at Hebbardsville and college at Eastern State Teachers' at Charleston, Ill. He is married and has two children.

Before coming to Illinois, Brother Lester was pastor of the Geneva Baptist Church at Geneva, Ky., for five years. During that time a new church and educational building was erected.

The new pastor has issued an invitation to all Baptists and those with Baptist beliefs to come to the mission for services.

Miss Rayma Gast Attends Course in Kansas City

Miss Rayma Jean Gast, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. Gast of Earlville, who is employed as a registered medical technician at the Rockford Memorial Hospital spent Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week in Kansas City, Kans., attending a post graduate course in medical technology at the University of Kansas Medical Center.

She was one of two girls at the hospital selected to take the course.

Postal Drivers Cited for Safety Record

Earlville post office vehicle drivers were singled out for outstanding performance in safety during 1958 by the Chicago Regional Operations Director Robert R. Justus, it was announced today by Paul C. Zimmerman, postmaster here.

The citation is an annual award presented to postal installations with improved accident experience ratings compared to the average regional rate of vehicle accidents occurring in each 100,000 miles of travel on official business.

"When delay of mail service is caused by an accident, our efficiency of operation is affected," Mr. Justus stated. "You employees have definitely contributed to good service by preventing accident by mail vehicles. To maintain our objective of 'Moving Today's Mail Today', cognizance is being given to the fact that 'Safety is Everybody's Business' by Earlville employees of the post office."

Since the Post Office Department began its campaign for safety four years ago Postmaster General Arthur E. Summerfield has been presented the coveted National Safety Council award for "outstanding contributions in the nation's traffic safety effort." It is the first time that one organizational group has been given this honor four years in a row.

In addition to the group performance award by the Regional Operations Director, individual driver awards for safe driving are presented to accident-free employees based on their experience each year.

Prior to 1954, the Post Office Department possessed one of the worst traffic safety records in government. The department's present intensive program, which includes safe driving instruction, driver examination and licensing, rules for safe operation, awards and other incentives for safe driving is paying off year after year.

Mrs. Myers Bowls 619 Series Monday

Mrs. Robert Myers, a member of the Eder's Tap bowling team in the ladies' league, bowled a 619 series on the Earlville alleys Monday evening. This is the highest series in the league this year. She had games of 225, 211 and 183.

Last week she posted a 589 series. Her current average is 165.

Harding PTA Making Plans for Talent Show

Members of the Harding Parent-Teachers Association are making plans for a home talent show to be held in the Harding community building Saturday, January 17, starting at 7:30 p.m.

Anyone wishing to participate in the show is asked to contact either Herbert Stockley at PY 2-8620 or Mrs. Russell Krug at PY 2-8436.

Auditions will be held on two different evenings—Tuesday, January 13 and Thursday, January 15 at 7:30 p.m., at the Harding community building.

Cash prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place winners in the show. Prize winners in the show will appear on radio station WCXY, Ottawa, Saturday, January 24 at 2:05 p.m.

Earlville League Bowling Schedule

Social League

Saturday, January 10, 7 p.m.

Earth vs. Venus and Neptune

vs. Jupiter. 9 p.m.—Pluto vs.

Mars and Saturn vs. Mercury.

Ladies' League

Monday, 7 p.m.—Nick & Vick's vs. Florists and Imps vs.

Maize. 9 p.m.—Malley's vs. Eder's and Banks vs. Torman's.

Tuesday, 7 p.m.—Pete's vs. Strauss and Massey-Harris vs.

Leaders.

Community League

Wednesday, 7 p.m.—Whitey's vs. Marathen and Ray's vs.

Miller-Rowe. 9 p.m.—Norton's vs. Century House and Humm's vs. Street's.

Commercial League

Thursday, 7 p.m.—Hatchery vs. Marathon and Super-Mart vs.

Bowling. 9 p.m.—Torman's vs. Strong's and Tony's vs. Pete's.

Masons Install New Officers

Installation of officers was held Monday evening in the Masonic hall for Meridian Lodge A. F. and A. M. of Earlville.

Those installed were: worshipful master, Forrest Carter; senior warden, Melvin Mitchell; junior warden, Everett Hatland; senior deacon, Ronald Hasen-yager; junior deacon, Harold Svendsen; treasurer, Harlow Miller; secretary, Walter Whitman; senior steward, Harold Grey; junior steward, Harvey Gibson; marshal, Dale Hartman; chaplain, Sidney Svendsen; tyler, Martin Olsen.

The installation ceremonies were conducted by Harlow Miller, installing officer; Dale Hartman, installing marshal and August Mende, installing chaplain.

Refreshments were served by Carter and Hatland.

Daughter Born to Grzeszczyk Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. John Grzeszczyk are the parents of a daughter, Kathleen, in the Sandwich hospital December 30. The baby has a brother, John, 41, and two sisters, Elizabeth, 3, and Mary Ellen, 11.

The Grzeszczyks are former residents of Holyoke, Mass., where the children's grandparents, the John Grzeszczyk, Sr., and Mrs. Celia-Rohan reside.

Rebekahs to Sponsor Card Party Saturday

The Earlville Rebekah Lodge will sponsor a public card party Saturday night starting at 8 o'clock in the IOOF hall.

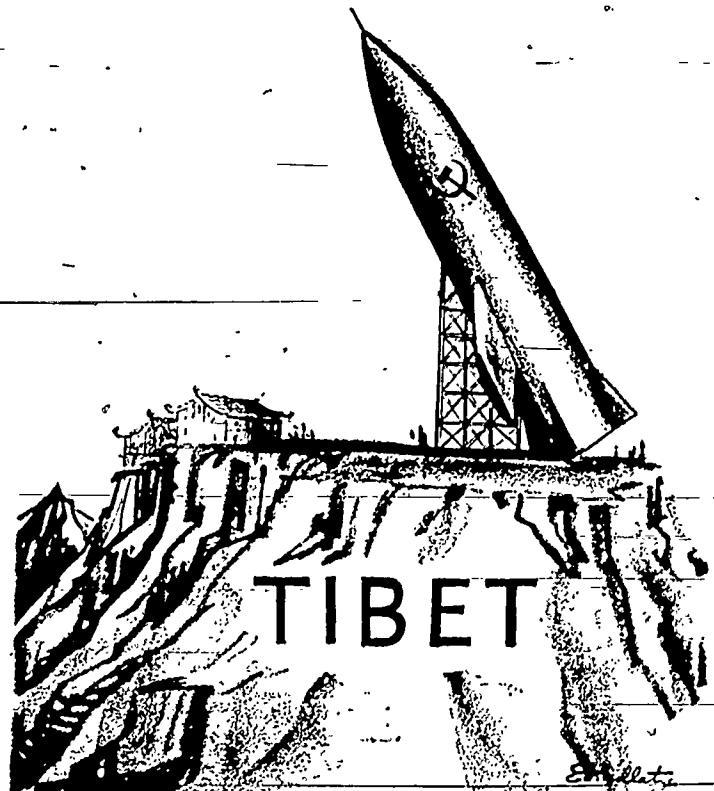
Games of canasta, guiche, 500 and pinocle will be played.

"Lord's Supper" Subject of P.Y.E. Discussion

Tom Harris was in charge of the discussion Sunday night at the meeting of the Presbyterian Youth Fellowship, the subject of which was "The Lord's Supper." The devotional period was led by Ron Miller.

Appropriate games concluded the evening's program.

Shangri-La Overshadowed



Illinois Farmers Had a Good Year

Most Illinois farmers had a very good year in 1958. Average net income was up 15 to 25 percent, making the year the best since 1951. The year ahead will probably not be so good as the one just ending.

Weather conditions did more than anything else to lift farm income. The weather helped to boost prices of livestock and produce bumper crop yields.

The boost in livestock prices came about through the ending of the drought that had been particularly severe in the southwest. As ranges improved and feed and water supplies increased, ranchers and farmers began to hold back calves and cattle to increase their herds. This reduced marketing, lowered the output of meat and raised prices of livestock.

The meat supply shrank to 15 1/2 pounds per person in 1958, the smallest since 1952.

Where monthly average prices of choice steers ranged from \$21 to \$26 in 1957, the range was \$26 to \$30 in 1958. For the year as a whole, prices of fed cattle were the highest since 1952.

Monthly average hog prices, which ranged from \$17 to \$21 in 1957, were \$18 to \$23 in 1958. For the year, hog prices were the best since 1954.

Total volume of livestock sold by Illinois farmers was probably about the same in the two years.

Looking ahead to 1959, we anticipate that increased marketing of hogs, and probably of cattle, will reduce prices of livestock, particularly hogs.

Most cash-grain farmers, too, had a good year. Crop yields were generally much better than in 1957, and well above the 10-year average. The state-wide average corn yield in 1958 was 68 bushels—4 bushels more than in 1957 and 13 bushels over the 10-year average.

Illinois wheat in 1958 yielded 31 bushels, 10 bushels more than the year before and 5 bushels above the 10-year figure.

Oats made 53 bushels an acre, 14 bushels more than in 1957 and 11 bushels over the state 10-year average.

Ordinarily, extra big crops depress prices so that total returns decline. With price supports in effect, however, total returns went up.

Dairymen gained less than most other farmers in 1958. Both prices and amount of milk (sold) remained about the same as in 1957. Dairymen benefited from good pastures, good crop yields and a substantial increase in prices received for calves and cows sold.

The state's poultrymen did not share in the increase in farm income in 1958. Profits from eggs, usually made during the fall, were low. The broiler business became increasingly competitive. Prices of turkeys were lower than in the previous year.

Looking ahead to 1959, we can see an increase in the output of milk. Increased sales of hogs will offset only about half

Pairings for Annual Little 10 Tourney Given

Representatives of the Little 10 Conference met last night to make arrangements for the annual conference tourney which will be held in the new Hinkle-Big Rock gym.

Pairings for the annual affair were arranged and are as follows:

Monday, January 19

Game 1—7 p.m.—Earlville vs. Hinkle-Big Rock.

Game 2—8:30—Somonauk vs. Paw Paw.

Tuesday, January 20

Game 3—7 p.m.—Winner 1 vs. Shabbona.

Game 4—8:30—Waterman vs. Serena.

Wednesday, January 21

Game 5—7 p.m.—Winner 2 vs. Leland.

Game 6—8:30—Sandwich vs. Plano.

Thursday, January 22

(Semi-finals)

Game 7—7 p.m.—Winner 3 vs. Winner 4.

Game 8—8:30—Winner 5 vs. Winner 6.

Friday, January 23

(Finals)

Game 9—7 p.m.—Loser 7 vs. Loser 8 (Consolation).

Game 10—8:30—Winner 7 vs. Winner 8 (Championship).

Raiders to Meet Plano Here Tomorrow

Coach Mark Johnston's high school Raiders will go back into action following the holiday, here tomorrow night when they meet the Plano Reapers in a Little 10 Conference game.

Saturday evening the Raiders will drive to St. Bede for a non-conference battle.

Balance of schedule:

Jan. 9—Plano, here

Jan. 10—St. Bede, there

Jan. 16—Shabbona, there

Jan. 18—Geneva, here

Jan. 19—23—Little 10 Tourney at Hinkle-Big Rock

Jan. 27—Depeu, here

Jan. 30—Hinkle, here

Feb. 3—Marquette, here

Feb. 6—Leland, there

Feb. 10—Marseilles, there

Feb. 13—Somonauk, here

Feb. 17—Mendota, there

Feb. 20—Serena, here

Feb. 23—27—District Tourney

—Conference Games

of the expected decline in price of pork and poultry, and a possible increase in beef may depress prices of cattle. As for most crops, it seems likely that both yields and price supports will be lower than in 1958. Farm income in the year ahead may be near that of 1957.

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Mr. and Mrs. Vern Morken and Van were hosts at an Aurora restaurant Friday evening to the pig boys at their bowling alleys. In the group were Jim Myers, Shelby Atwell, Wayne Engel, Brad Smith, Fred Bonine, John Cramer, Gary Lettette and Michael Kuntz. The group attended a show after the dinner.

Council Approves New Electricity Franchise

Fire Causes Minor Damage to House

A fire Tuesday morning caused an estimated \$25.00 damage to the home of Mrs. Lucy Thompson—who resides in the southeast part of town.

In thawing frozen water pipes with a blow torch, a portion of the floor in the room off the kitchen started to burn.

The Earlville Fire Department extinguished the blaze before it could spread to a larger area.

It's a Big Army, But Small World, Two G.I.s Learn

(The following article appeared in a recent issue of the Western Electric Monitor, published for employees of the manufacturing concern.)

FORT LEWIS, WASH.—Paths of two Western Electric men on military leave of absence from the Montgomery plant crossed in



Gale

Dyas

Seattle, Wash., recently, and although they met again, luck saved them from "running into each other."

Sp-4 Ronald D. Dyas (5481), now a personnel specialist in headquarters company, 2nd battle group, 38th Infantry, tells this story: "I was driving through Seattle on my way to Fort Lewis after a three-day pass, when a soldier stepped in front of my car. I slammed on the brakes just in time."

Getting out of the car to see if the near-victim was all right, Dyas found the pedestrian to be Pvt. 2 Jim Gale (5422), who was in the northwest area awaiting troop shipment to Korea.

The two W.E. men had formerly worked together on No. 5 crossbar, Gale as a wireman and Dyas as an audio tester.

Gale had another bit of luck. He was seeking a ride back to Fort Lewis, and Dyas obliged.

Dyas was inducted into the U. S. Army in March, 1957, and took basic and personnel training at Fort Lewis. Since then he has participated in two major Army maneuvers, one in Alaska. He is due for release from active duty next year. He has been a Western Electric man since January, 1956.

Gale, inducted in March, 1958, recently finished basic and clerk training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo. He joined Western Electric in December, 1956.

Adult Home Ec. Class to Be Held Monday

The first of the second series of lessons for members of the adult home economics class will be held in the high school building Monday evening starting at 7 o'clock.

Lessons will be based on individual sewing problems for members of the class.

New members are invited to join the group at this time.

Mrs. Ruby Craft, home economics instructor, is in charge of the class.

Goldberry's Parents of First Child

A seven pound four ounce daughter, Cheryl Ann, was born last Wednesday, December 31 in the Mendota hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Goldberry.

Mrs. Goldberry's mother, Mrs. Charles Kahn, of Omaha, Neb., is helping with the care of her first grandchild. Mrs. Nonh Goldberry is the baby's paternal grandmother.

Daughter Born to George Smiths

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith announce the birth of a daughter weighing seven pounds, four ounces Monday, January 5, in the Mendota hospital.

The Earlville City Council voted Monday evening to approve an ordinance granting the Public Service Company division of Commonwealth Edison Co. a new 50-year franchise to distribute electricity in the municipality.

Local and district representatives of the Public Service Company were present at the meeting to answer questions asked by the council.

Although the old franchise with the city was not scheduled to expire until October 7, 1962, the new franchise was adopted as it contained more favorable provisions for the city.

Also at Monday's regular meeting, under the direction of Mayor Charles W. Dyas, plans were submitted by the Marathon Improvement Co., for curbing installations on Warren street in the Wall addition. The plans are to be studied by city officials.

It was reported at the meeting that some of the persons using the city dump facilities are not placing the refuse in the pit, but are dumping on the edges of the pit.

Other action Monday included the raising of the salary of Robert Wallace, and the decision to move the police phone from the home of the late George Hamel to the home of his nephew, George Hamel, who was recently named to replace him.

Silver Cross Now Has Full Accreditation

Silver Cross Hospital School of Nursing, Joliet, has received full accreditation from the National League of Nursing, having been one of the schools granted "temporary" accreditation when the national accrediting program was launched five years ago. Many improvements in the curriculum and facilities, as suggested by the League, were made in the interim, and a week long survey of the school was made by its representatives this fall.

In granting the accreditation the Board of Review of Diploma programs commended the Silver Cross faculty and all those responsible for the school for their efforts in bringing about the improvements in the program.

The school of nursing was established by Silver Cross Hospital when it opened in 1895. In 1917 the school became fully accredited by the Illinois Department of Registration and Education, and its graduates are qualified to take examinations for registration and if successful write "R.N." after their names.

During their first year Silver Cross students attend Joliet Junior College for science courses while attending classes and beginning nursing experience under supervision at Silver Cross Hospital. At mid-year, if they pass examinations, they receive their nursing caps at a capping ceremony to be held this year on February 20. The next pre-entrance test will be held at the school February 7.

Third Son Born to Robert Leonard

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leonard announce the birth of their third son, Kelly Dean, in the Sandwich hospital Tuesday, December 30. The Leonard's other sons are Kevin, 5, and Kenneth, 3.

Mrs. Leonard is the former Mary Lou Conklin, daughter of Mrs. Russell Conklin. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leonard.

Community Calendar

Thursday, January 8

Joe Aubrey farm sale.

Friday, January 9

Basketball—Earlville Raiders vs. Plano, here.

Saturday, January 10

Rebekah card party.

Basketball—Earlville Raiders vs. St. Bede, there.

Monday, January 12

Adult home ec. class.

Saturday, January 17

Harding PTA home talent show, starting at 7:30 p.m.

January 19-20

Little 10 tourney.

Wednesday, January 21

Bert Dillbeck farm sale.