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Phil Stucky, chairman of the building fund for First United Methodist church, holds thermometer illustrating current status of the drive which nears its goal of \$200,000.

## Methodist church nears \$200,000 building goal

Phil Stucky, head of the fund drive for a new church building for the First United Methodist congregation to replace the one lost to fire last year, reported Sunday that the goal of \$200,000 was in sight. Total of \$177,633.89 in gifts, bequests and pledges had been raised as of Sunday morning.

"With interest from the \$300,000 insurance money which is currently on deposit this will take us to our goal of \$200,000 by Dec. 1," Mr. Stucky noted, "giving the congregation a total of \$500,000 to re-build."

AT THE SAME TIME, a number of pledge cards remain out. Some of these are held by out of town members, some are locally resident members who are themselves out of town and a few are held by members who have delayed their pledge until they know the location of the new building.

Of a total of 234 pledge cards, 160 have been turned in to captains in the drive. Marjorie Andrew, Greg Geerdes, Jim Boelman, Marlene Bicknese and Steve Story between 69% and 70% of church members either made a gift or pledged during the three-week campaign.

The building committee has about decided on an architect, but announcement is being held up pending signing of a contract.

No decision has been reached on location of

### RECEIVING DEGREES AT DRAKE

Among the 840 degree candidates for graduation this spring from Drake University, Des Moines, are Kevan Vance Olesen, Hawkeye, Larry Francis Woods, Oelwein, and Michael David Murrell, West Union.

## Last rites held for Judge Antes

Funeral service for Judge W. H. Antes, who died Saturday at Palmer Memorial hospital, was held at Bethel Presbyterian church Tuesday afternoon.

Rev. Byron W. Ayers, pastor of First United Methodist church, gave the scripture, prayers and delivered the funeral sermon and a life-long colleague, Judge E. B. Shaw, Oelwein, delivered the eulogy.

Pallbearers included Alan, Jon, James, Thomas and Randy Antes, Richard Hoover, John Lauer and David Thomas. Honorary pallbearers included Daniel M. Peterson, C. W. Grimes, Leon R. Layton, Doran Meyer, George B. Woodard, sr., George B. Woodard, jr., Judge Joseph C. Keefe, Judge Frank Elwood, Miles O'Brien, Herman Doscher, Dr. Aldrich K. Paul and four Eagle Scouts, Karl Lindberg, Dirk Darnell, Craig Brown and Mark Reyner.

Burial was in the West Union cemetery. William Henry Antes, son of Henry William and Catharine Rheingans Antes, was born on a farm near Aredale in Butler County, Iowa. When a small child he moved with his parents to Waverly where he completed his high school education. He attended the University of Iowa, receiving his B.A. degree in 1912. He was then superintendent of schools in 1912-13 at Brighton, and held the same position at Monona, 1913-15. He attended law school at the University of Iowa and the University of Chicago and received his L.L.B. from the University of Iowa in 1916.

He immediately commenced the practice of law.

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Winner of the baby crib at Ben Franklin was Mrs. Roy Welzel, West Union.

State Bank of Lawler is now offering their customers 24 hour banking according to details listed in an ad in this issue. "Our new 24 hour banking service offers our customers the maximum flexibility and convenience in the management of their money," commented bank president Willis Hansen. "With the new program customers can transfer money, make loan applications and many other transactions 24 hours a day." Complete details on the new program are listed in State Bank of Lawler's ad on page A-10 of this issue.

## Wayne Bicknese named director

Adrian Rademaker, president of Farmers Savings Bank, West Union, today announced the appointment of Dr. Wayne Bicknese, DVM, to the board of directors of the bank.

Dr. Bicknese will succeed Linus Putz, director of the bank since it was founded 10 years ago. Mr. Putz, who has been named an honorary director and will continue to serve the bank in an advisory capacity, plans to devote more time to travel.

Dr. Bicknese moved to West Union in 1964, joining Dr. M. F. Frevert in his veterinary clinic. He is a 1952 graduate of Wheatland High School, attended Cornell College two years and then served two years in the United States Army.

He graduated from Iowa State University's College of Veterinary Medicine in 1962, spent two years in general veterinary practice in Waterloo and then moved to West Union.

He is a member of the United Methodist church, West Union Chamber of Commerce, Lions club, Luren Singing Society, West Union Cemetery board, H & L club and the Christian Business men's committee. He and his wife, Marlene, have two children, Aaron, 9, and Faith, 3.

Dr. Bicknese joins on the board of Farmers Savings Bank Mr. Rademaker, Lloyd Meier, Karl Miller, E. S. Estey, Oliver and Chrystal Hansen, Carl Lueder and Norman Amundson.

## Rain

Union-land received welcome rains this week, totaling from 1 to 1½ inches depending upon which part of the county you live in, and although they temporarily stopped field work, no one begrudged the delay. "It was just what we needed," was the comment heard on every hand.

Heaviest rains fell north and south of West Union with the city itself getting about an inch in three showers.

First shower was Sunday, depositing about a half inch here, second on Monday dropped almost that much again and a light shower on Tuesday, brought the total to just an inch. Heavier rains fell in the Maynard and St. Lucas areas.

The Sunday and Monday rains were accompanied by thunder and lightning and, although storm warnings were in effect, no damage was reported in Union-land.

	Max	Min	Prec
May 11	71	40	—
May 12	85	48	—
May 13	84	54	—
May 14	86	64	—
May 15	79	65	63
May 16	82	65	4
May 17	81	64	trace

# Upper Iowa graduates class of 129 Saturday morning



UIU Degrees

Dr. Aldrich K. Paul, right, president of Upper Iowa University, and Dr. Scott Linge, center, president of the UIU Board of Trustees, pose with three recipients of honorary degrees at commencement in Fayette Saturday morning. They are from left, William Andres, Minneapolis; Gerald Paul, Indianapolis, and Burgess Meredith, Malibu Beach, CA.

# North, Fayette boards consider feasibility study

Board of Directors of the North Fayette County Community School district in session here Monday evening approved a meeting with the Fayette Community School board to take place the second week in June. Purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the feasibility study completed by Dr. Wayne Truesdell of the University of Northern Iowa.

For some time now, the two districts have cooperated in such areas as vocational agriculture and language classes. Dr. Truesdell's study, which was also cooperated in by the West Central School district, was a comparison of curriculum, buildings, facilities and enrollment projections for the districts.

In other action here Monday evening the board

- Approved a joint agreement with Turkey Valley, South Winneshiek and North Winneshiek Community schools to offer a joint program in building construction in cooperation with the Area I Vocational-Technical school at Calmar. Senior students would be eligible to enroll in an afternoon carpentry class at Calmar. Senior students would be eligible to enroll in an afternoon carpentry class at Calmar next year providing state board of Public Instruction approves the program and funding is available.

- Approved summer contracts for drivers education, high school correspondence classes, band program, softball, baseball, boys and girls summer recreation basketball.

- Approved contracts to implement a nine

school program for hearing impaired pupils. The program will involve six pupils with hearing impairments from North Fayette, West Central, New Hampton and Decorah Community schools. The program will be housed in one of the kindergarten portable buildings and involve on teacher and an aide. Sending districts will transport their pupils to West Union.

- Learned that the pre-school special education program currently housed in Spillville and operated by the South Winneshiek Community school will be moved to the Handicapped center in Decorah for 1977-78 school year. This move was prompted by the number of pupils attending from the school districts to the northwest and northeast such as Riceville and Eastern Allamakee at Lansing.

- Appointed a board committee to review building and content insurance specifications prior to the next board meeting.

- Directed the superintendent to prepare specifications for bids for gasoline, fuel oil, tires, milk and bread.

- Approved an amendment to the 1976-77 general fund budget. Public hearing is to be held at the June 13 meeting of the board. The general fund budget is being amended from \$2,151,254 to \$2,239,697 to cover the State Budget Review Committee's increase of \$16,475 to purchase a special bus to transport handicapped pupils and \$11,321 to cover increases in allocation of funds to the district through the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

- Approved a motion requesting a state audit of the 1976-77 operations.
- Approved the 1977-78 contracts for non-certificated personnel.

- Accepted the resignations of Debra Tweedy, half-time physical education teacher at Hawkeye, and David Marr, vocational agriculture teacher. Approved the contracts for Holly Jacobs, half time physical education teacher \$6,827 per year including assignments as assistant softball and assistant girls' basketball coach and a contract for Brian Harper, vocational agriculture teacher at \$12,294 per year, approved the contract for Miss Jane Frimml, home economics teacher at \$8,761 per year, and tentatively accepted the resignation of Dennis Wubbena, distributive education teacher, pending location of a suitable replacement.

Noted the following position left to be filled a teacher for the trainable mentally handicapped, a teacher for the hearing handicapped, a distributive education teacher, two associate aides for the trainable mentally handicapped and severely-profoundly handicapped center, an associate aide for the hearing handicapped room, an associate aide for the Hawkeye elementary center, a half-time associate aide for the afternoon kindergarten class in West Union, and a clerical aide for junior/senior high.

Next meeting of the board will be Monday June 13, at 8 p.m. in the junior high library.



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WEST UNION, IOWA, THURSDAY, MAY 19, 1977

## City disposes of out-moded vehicles, buys new street truck

The West Union City Council, in session Monday night, sold the old 1958 fire tanker to Wilson Potts Davenport, who submitted the highest bid of \$2,050, and the old ambulance went to B. B. Hanson and Associates, West Union, whose high bid was \$752.50.

A new street truck was purchased from John O. Faib West Union at a low bid of \$7,144.

After a discussion the council directed the city clerk to publish a notice of budget amendment hearing which is scheduled for 8 p.m. on Monday, June 6. A resolution was also passed approving plans and specifications, form of contract and estimated cost of construction for the West Union tennis court. Monday, June 6, was the date set for letting of bids.

The project will include two courts of either Portland cement or asphaltic concrete. Estimated cost for the courts, fencing, painting, net and post assemblies and landscaping is \$24,000. Of that \$12,000 is to be paid by federal grant and the balance by donations. Courts will be constructed on land leased by the city from the North Fayette County Community school district.

The council finalized the special assessment on the recently completed sidewalk project in the business district. Property owners will be notified by mail in the near future concerning costs and provisions for paving.

Building permits were approved for Jim Guyer, Gerald Fischer and Northeast Iowa Development for houses, Robert Corkery for a deck and Charles Olson for a patio.

## North graduation set for Sunday afternoon at 2

North's class of 1977 will graduate in ceremonies at the gymnasium here Sunday afternoon, event to get underway with a number by the North High band at 2 p.m.

Rev. Byron Ayers will give the invocation and benediction. Franklin Reyner, president of the North Board of Education, will speak and Supt. Don Mueller will present the scholarship awards.

As in the past, commencement speakers will include the top scholars in the class, their

identity to be revealed at the ceremony. James Quandt, class president, will present the class gift.

Baccalaureate was held last Sunday. Rev. John Wogland, pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran church, Richfield, giving the class sermon, "Step up to Life." A musical number, "Give me Jesus" was sung by the chamber choir. David Vagts and Debra Bock played the processional and recessional.

Class members include the following

Susan Ellen Albers  
Vickie Lynn Anderson  
Lee Allen Barnes  
David Wayne Biermann  
Faron Delmar Bindert  
Marcia Jane Bock  
Beth Amy Bockoven  
Diane Lynn Boess  
Marilyn Ann Bouska  
Ronald A. Boyer  
Timothy John Brugman  
Diane Lynn Buhr  
J. Scott Cannon  
Deborah Kay Chensvold  
James Paul Corkery  
Denise Vera Cowles  
Dirk Alan Darnell  
Gregory John Dow  
Deborah Jean Evenson  
Jeffrey Charles Fels  
Rita June Fischer  
Amy Marcella Franzen  
Gary Arnold Gibbs  
Joyce Irene Gross  
Daniel Ray Guyer  
Marlene Denise Hainey  
Lois Ann Halstead  
Bradley Paul Halverson  
Daniel Richard Halweg  
Cory Don Hanken  
David John Hanson  
Jerald Gerard Hauer  
Steven John Havener  
Jacquelyn Sue Helgerson  
Barbara Jean Henn  
JoDee Lynn Hoyt

Deborah Ann Hutchens  
Karen Marie Jacobsen  
Patti Jane Johnson  
Nancy Sue Jones  
Timothy John Juergens  
Robert W. Kelly  
Kay Ann Kent  
Carl Leo King  
Pamela Sue Kleppe  
Beth Joann Knutson  
Cheryl Ann Krambeer  
Steven Dale Lalk  
Dale Paul Langreck  
Peggy Lynn Landas  
Neil Anthony Lansing  
Paula Kay Larick  
Delbert Michael Lee  
Karl Stephen Lindberg  
Kathryn Kay Lueder  
Gary LeRoy Martin  
Kelly Norman McCauley  
Lori Pauline McIntyre  
Scott Walter Meyer  
Lisa Marie Michael  
Kevin Reginald Moellers  
Randy Lee Molokken  
John Michael Molumby  
Becky Lou Monroe  
Nancy Rae Moritz  
Twyla Jean Moss  
Janelle Joan Mueller  
Rebecca June Norris  
Marvin William Noska  
Susan Lydia Nyberg  
Dixie Lea Opperman  
Kevin Virgil Page

Penni Leigh Pape  
David Ernest Peterson  
Don Steve Polk  
Randi Kay Polow  
Sandra Lee Priebe  
James Alan Quandt  
Don L. Raatz  
Sandra Elisa Reyes  
Blair Jay Schatz  
Sharon Kay Schmitt  
Larry Craig Schneberger  
Perry Ross Sievert  
Kevin Don Smith  
Craig Lee Spies  
Kathy Annette Stahr  
Melody June Stanbrough  
Keith Joel Steffens  
Carla Jean Stephens  
Julie Kristine Stolle  
Linda Jean Story  
Paul William Strudthoff  
Ashlon Lee Thompson  
Virginia Ann Tillman  
Brent Lee Ungerer  
Jody Laine Vagts  
Marcia Lynn Vagts  
Randi Lee Vagts  
Stacey Beth Vagts  
Jeffery Alan VanSickle  
George Ernest Walvatne  
Patricia Kay Westphal  
Nancy Elaine Whitcher  
Deborah Marie Winter  
Jane Katherine Woodward  
Candace Catherine Wright  
Dona Rose Mary Wurzer

## Two auctions listed for Saturday on calendar

Two household goods sales listed on the Union calendar are advertised with a complete listing of items in this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Barth will be selling their two-story three bedroom home at 110 Burger street in Hawkeye together with their furniture, appliances and miscellaneous on Saturday, May 21, beginning at 1 p.m. Bill Strudthoff will cry the event and Citizens Savings Bank will clerk.

Household goods of Mildred Grannis will also be sold on Saturday. Sale takes place at 806 First Ave. NE in Oelwein, beginning at 10:30 a.m. Orvin Thompson is auctioneer and First National Bank of Oelwein is clerking. Offered will be a large number of antiques, appliances, furniture and miscellaneous.

Two sales added to the calendar during the past week include the John Gamm Estate at Arlington on Friday, May 27, and the Burdette Rowland sale of household furnishings, antiques

and miscellaneous on Saturday, June 4.

Other events on the Union calendar are the O. W. Jackson sale at Wadena on Saturday, May 18; the Lena Cousins household sale at Fayette on June 5, and the Ruth Brooks household sale on June 11 in West Union.

## Historical Center seeks older license plates

Among artifacts recently given to the Fayette County Historical Center are a number of items donated by the Fayette County Board of Supervisors. These include, among many other things, early automobile registration records. The Historical Center is looking for some early automobile license plates to display with this material. Such plates are sometimes found in basements, barns and sheds.

If you have such plates to add to the Center's collection please contact Jim Davis, Center director at 422-9213 or write the Center at P.O. Box 393, West Union, Ia. 52175.