

Sparked by Vinton Youth

Collegiate Veterans Form Group

IOWA CITY — Howard Knupp's two years in the U.S. navy are still making friends for him, though he's been out of the service for seven years.



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In helping to organize the Association of Collegiate Veterans this semester at the University of Iowa, where he is a junior in the college of business administration, the Vinton veteran has found that the former GI's quickly become good friends as they help each other find housing or solve other problems.

Knupp is vice-president of the U. of I. veterans and chairman of its board of directors. "Nobody can 'shoot the breeze' like a guy talking about his days in service. John Wayne could do no better," Knupp said.

Besides making many friends while he was in the navy from March, 1959-March, 1961, Knupp learned a great deal of the geography of the Pacific firsthand. While stationed on the cruiser USS

Toledo from June-November, 1959, he went ashore in Hawaii, Guam, the Philippines, Japan, Okinawa, Vietnam and Hong Kong.

When in port, he was on duty only one day out of four and could take advantage of complete tours of the city organized by his ship. In Saigon he represented his division at a reception in the home of the U.S. ambassador.

One Choice In Hong Kong the sailors learned that taxi drivers insisted on taking their passengers to tailor shops, no matter where they asked to go.

Knupp was a mail clerk and typist in the captain's office during normal cruising of the USS Toledo, and was one of two captain's "talkers" during battle drills on the cruiser, relaying the captain's messages to all parts of the ship. He did office work during the five months the vessel was at Long Beach, Calif., being readied for moth-balling upon its decommissioning in May, 1960.

The Vinton veteran served as chaplain's yeoman and librarian on the submarine tender USS Sperry in San Diego from then until his discharge.

An insurance major at the U. of I. Knupp would like to teach insurance courses in high school. He thinks that the subject should be taught from the consumer's point of view at the high school level, since almost everyone needs to know how to buy insurance. Since many schools might be too small to offer more than one or two classes in the subject, he would be willing to be

employed by several school systems. The Vinton junior was one of five U. of I. students honored recently by the Iowa Foundation for Insurance Education for academic achievement. He was awarded a \$700 scholarship by the foundation for use next year at the U. of I.

Worked Knupp worked with his father in the Knupp Insurance agency in Vinton after three semesters at Augustana college, Rock Island, following his discharge from the navy. He went to Marshalltown Community college in 1966-67 and registered at the U. of I. last fall. Knupp married Beverly Schirm of Newhall last July. The Vinton student wouldn't hesitate to go into service again if it should be necessary. "You're on your own more than you've ever been before, but I enjoyed the freedom. If you stay out of trouble, there's nobody standing over you telling you what to do all the time."

Donald J. Kelly Enters Race for Auditor of State

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DES MOINES (AP) — Donald J. Kelly, a certified public accountant, Wednesday announced his candidacy for the office of auditor of state on the Democratic ticket.

Kelly, a native of Kinross, is an honor graduate of St. Ambrose college and received his certified public accountant certificate in 1958. He served as supervisor of state department audits from 1965 until mid April 1967. He is currently serving as supervisor of data processing techniques in insurance company audits for the state insurance department.

Kelly said that, "in accordance with the Iowa Merit System Law, I have requested a leave of absence from my current position beginning July 15 and continuing until after the election and pledge to not use or abuse my position as a state employe in the intervening period."

In announcing his candidacy, Kelly said, "I am convinced that if government is to effectively perform its role in our present day society, better use must be made of talents and techniques that have proven to be effective in business. My principal goal is to provide impartial objective services to government and to the people of Iowa."

Kelly, a long-time resident of Cedar Rapids, is married, the father of five children and currently lives in Des Moines.

Fear of Annual Sessions Groundless, Group Says

DES MOINES (AP) — The co-chairmen of a group formed to promote adoption of five amendments to Iowa's constitution said Wednesday that annual sessions of the state legislature would bring wiser spending of tax money.

Lt. Gov. Robert Fulton of Waterloo and Dr. William G. Murray of Ames issued a joint statement asserting that fallacies and groundless fears form the basis for much opposition to annual meetings of the General Assembly.

Fulton and Murray head Iowans for Better Government, a statewide bipartisan group. Fulton is a Democrat; Murray was the Republican candidate for governor in 1966.

An amendment to have the legislature meet every year, rather than every two years, is one of five constitutional changes which have passed two sessions of the General Assembly and will become effective if approved by the voters this fall.

Annual legislative sessions would "reduce the lag in action on important business, lessen the end-of-the-session pressure, give legislators more time to study problems, permit the legislature to move more rapidly in correcting mistakes and make the legislators more responsive to their constituents," Fulton and Murray said.

In addition, they said, annual sessions would result in tighter control over spending because "it just is not possible to accurately forecast economic changes and spending needs as far as two years in advance."

Commencement At St. Ambrose

DAVENPORT — A total of 181 seniors are candidates for the bachelor of arts and bachelor of science degrees at St. Ambrose college Sunday. The Most Rev. Gerald Francis O'Keefe, bishop of the Davenport diocese, will present the diplomas at commencement ceremonies at 3 p.m.

Dr. James M. Godard, Atlanta, Ga., will be the graduation speaker and the Most Rev. Joseph A. Durick, coadjutor bishop of Nashville, Tenn., will speak at baccalaureate services at 5 p.m. Saturday in Sacred Heart cathedral. Dr. Godard is project director of the higher educational opportunity project of the Southern Regional Education board.

Candidates for the bachelor of arts degree include: Robert A. Bender, Keswick, economics; David P. Boland, Cedar Rapids, music education; David M. Bulgarelli, Iowa City, natural science; Robert W. Graf jr., Iowa City, political science; Dale Kiefer, Riverside, business administration; Stephen F. Panther, Iowa City, philosophy; James F. Parizek, Iowa City, magna cum laude in philosophy.

Rites in Vinton for Harriet Belknap, 88

VINTON — Harriet J. Belknap, 88, an employe of the former Newman's store in Cedar Rapids for 30 years prior to her retirement in 1958, died Tuesday.

Born Nov. 3, 1879, at Anamosa, she was married to James Belknap. He was killed in a car-train crash in Cedar Rapids in 1929.

She had lived in Benton county for the last 10 years.

Survivors include two sons, Donald of Mentor, Ohio, and Ralph of Vinton; seven grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. Services will be held Friday at 1 p.m. in Campbell funeral home.

Check Lane

WAUKON — A car safety check lane will be held Friday beginning at 9 a.m. a two-day check was scheduled last weekend, but rain on Saturday cut down the number of drivers taking their cars through the check.

Waukon Concert

WAUKON — The junior high instrumental music department will present a concert Friday at 8 p.m. in the junior high gymnasium. Larry Nolte, a trombone soloist from Dubuque, will be featured.

Riley Proposes Statue in Honor Of Sen. Grimes

DUBUQUE — State Senator Tom Riley (R-Cedar Rapids) took issue Wednesday with the proposed contemporary statue for the Iowa Statehouse grounds and suggested instead that a statue commemorating the courageous Iowa Senator James W. Grimes be erected.

Riley, a candidate for the Republican nomination for congress from Iowa's Second district, made the proposal in a speech to the student body at Wahler high school in Dubuque.

"When school children from all over the state visit the capitol, I want them to be reminded of what they have to be proud of in their state's heritage — not that their state's name means 'sleeping one,'" Riley said.

The already proposed \$30,000 statue is entitled "The Last of the Sleepy Ones" based on research which supposedly revealed that the word "Iowa" means "sleeping one" or "tired one." The statue would be located on the west side of the new Grimes state office building.

"I propose, instead, that we erect a statue of Senator James Grimes being carried into the senate chambers to cast the deciding vote which acquitted President Andrew Johnson of impeachment charges."

Iowa's Senator Grimes was included in the late President John F. Kennedy's book "Profiles in Courage" for his courageous vote in the impeachment trial.

"What greater tribute and symbol for Iowa than the Senator James W. Grimes who, despite paralysis and the denunciation of his party and friends, insisted on being carried into the senate chambers when he was too weak to walk," Riley said.

"Senator Grimes could have excused himself from appearing because of illness and the President would have been found guilty," he said. "But he had the courage not to take the easy way out."

Oelwein Traffic on Move; Sunday Tour Route Slated

OELWEIN — Things returned as much to normal as possible in Oelwein Wednesday. A number of businesses opened, traffic was allowed to move through town on the highways and downtown parking was allowed.

However, debris from the tornado that hit Oelwein last Wednesday, was still much in evidence. Volunteer crews from neighboring towns continue to come into the area to help in the cleanup.

Taverns were still closed Wednesday and will stay closed until further notice. Many phones are still not in service.

Sightseers are encouraged to stay away until Sunday when a tour route will be set up both in Oelwein and Charles City. In Charles City the entrance and exit will be highway 218 and tourists must stay on the marked route. A route will also be marked in Oelwein.

In Lincoln, Neb., the mayor has announced Thursday, Friday and Saturday as "Good Neighbor Days" to benefit Northeast Iowa. Residents are asked to leave household goods, canned food, etc., at collection points. The articles will be trucked to Iowa and distributed by the Salvation Army in Charles City, Elma, Oelwein and Maynard.

Wurtz Named To Head New State Bureau

DES MOINES — Conrad R. Wurtz, 41, has been named by Maurice A. Harmon, commissioner of the department of social services, as acting director of the bureau of mental retardation services.

Dr. Wurtz came to Iowa in September, 1967, as associate director of mental retardation with the board of control. Previously, he had served two years as clinical psychologist and assistant professor of medical psychology at the University of Nebraska college of medicine, Omaha, and as consultant to Haven academy, operated by the Douglas county Assn. for Emotionally Disturbed Children.

From 1956-59, he was a school psychologist for the Cedar Rapids public schools. He has a BA in psychology, and an MA in special education from the University of Iowa. He obtained his Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota in child development and educational psychology.

Commissioner Harmon also announced that Dr. James O. Cromwell will continue his supervision of the Mental Health institutes at Cherokee, Clarinda, Independence, and Mount Pleasant as director of the bureau of mental health services. Dr. Cromwell first came to Iowa in 1956 as superintendent of the Mental Health institute at Independence; on Jan. 1, 1958, he became Iowa's director of mental health. He has achieved wide recognition for his strengthening of state services in the field of mental health.

Quality Control Unit Elects Marion Men

Two Cedar Rapids area men have been named to offices in the University of Iowa section of the American Society for Quality Control.

Elected President for the 1968-69 fiscal year was Carl E. Anderson, Marion. He is manager of the quality audit department at Collins Radio Co.

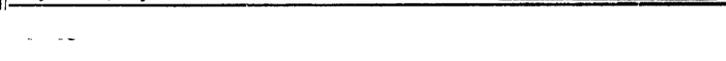
Elected secretary was Donald J. Palmer, Cedar Rapids. He is staff quality assurance engineer at Collins. Roy A. May of Nichols Aluminum in Davenport was named vice-president and F. J. Lundeen of John Deere Harvester Works in Moline was elected treasurer. Named to a 3-year term on the board of directors was Dr. Lloyd A. Knowler of the U. of I.

\$2,507 Awarded

VINTON — A district court jury has awarded Roy E. Sindt \$2,507.75. Sindt had sued Clifford Hupfeld of Keystone for \$6,502.50 for the alleged destruction of trees, fruit and vegetables by spraying Aug. 10, 1964.

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Crash Kills Ollie Man, 2 Children

MARTINSBURG (UPI) — Three persons were killed and two injured Tuesday night in an accident a mile west of here involving four cars.

The Iowa highway patrol identified the dead as Ellis Vern Carmack, 28; Rosemary Sayre, 10; and Debra Sue Sayre, 11, all of Ollie, Iowa.

Injured were Ethel Ellen Sayre, 8, Ollie, and Robert Green, Martinsburg. Both were listed in fair condition in an Ottumwa hospital.

The patrol said Carmack and his wife were driving separate cars to Novelty, Mo., on highway 149 to leave his wife's children by a former marriage with her mother while they completed a move to Fort Dodge. The children all were in the car with Carmack.

They said Mrs. Carmack's car was having engine trouble and was slowing down when Carmack attempted to pass it. As he did, the patrol said a pickup driven by Green came over a hill with no lights on.

Carmack tried to pull back into the correct lane ahead of his wife's car, but his vehicle collided head-on with the truck, the patrol said. They said all three of those killed were thrown from the car.

Before oncoming traffic could be stopped, the patrol said a fourth car driven by Terry Taylor, Ottumwa, hit and dragged one, and possibly two, of the bodies down the road.

Grinnell Head: Today's Students Are "Drop-Ins"

DES MOINES (AP) — Today's college students "are not drop-outs from life. They are not aimless wanderers, divorced from reality and from society," Glenn Leggett, president of Grinnell college, said Tuesday night. "Far from being drop-outs, they are drop-ins. They are concerned," he added. "If they have done nothing else, today's college students have forced you and me to think more clearly about our own close-knit world and to examine more closely our own particular set of values."

Leggett spoke at a dinner launching the Des Moines phase of Grinnell's \$25 million academic improvement mater plan.

Vinton Youth Center Will Open June 3

VINTON — New officers of the Ichabod committee include Mike Heger, president. The committee has also made plans for the summer youth center. The youth center will open June 3 in the Legion hall. The youth center will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights to high school students only and Tuesday and Thursday nights for junior high students.

Treated for Burns

OELWEIN — Lyle Fox, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Valliard Fox, remains in University hospitals in Iowa City for treatment of first and third degree burns to his back and arm suffered Friday when his shirt caught fire while he was cooking breakfast. He is in fairly good condition.

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