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## Who's Who In Walcott

Almost a century of living is in itself a splendid achievement but the 99 years and 1 month have been filled with activity and usefulness, such a long soan of life becomes all the more noteworthy. Crown these 99 years plus with good health and an alert mind and your admiration of Mr. Rock becomes still greater. A pleasant reminiscence with Walcott's esteemed nonagenarian is a rare experience not soon to be forgotten. The pages of history are turned back so skilfully and gently while conversing with Mr. Rock that we soon become unmindful of the present.

On Dec. 11, 1834, Frederick Rock was born in the little village of Wald eck, Germany. Here he received his education and he remembers clearly to this day with what fears and misgivings the little boy of six years attended school for the first time. Following his school days, came work on the farm and service in the German Army for a period of fourteen months. It is interesting to note that he wished he had continued his education in an American school in order to improve himself in the use of the English language and pointing out at the same time errors in grammar, spelling and punctuation which occur in the Walcott Community News.

In 1857 Mr. Rock came to America and immediately began to work on the farm of Robert S. Wilson in Blue Grass Township. Out of the \$150.00 which he received as wages for his first year, he saved \$100.00 and lost it when the bank, Cook and Sergeant of Davenport, failed. Times were hard, corn sold for \$.12 a bushel and though hogs had a better price than at present, the farmers had such a difficult time in meeting their obligations that he took a wage reduction and worked for \$130.00 the second year. In spite of this he managed to save and get ahead.

After several years he rented forty acres from his brother, Christian Rock. For farm power he had a span of oxen and quietly remarked that plowing and hauling grain with them to Davenport was a rather tedious job. The oxen had an annoying trick of heading for the water in ditches along the road instead of plodding steadily on their way to the market.

Davenport at that time was only a little village and on top of the hill, as it was then called, there was only one building in the vicinity of St. Ambrose College. Now the top of the hill is covered with hundreds of homes and ascent is made by paved streets instead of a dusty and impassable highway as determined by the weather.

The first land that he bought was an 80 acre tract in Section 4 of Hickory Grove Township. For these 80 acres he paid \$1000.00 which would make the average cost per acre considerably less than that paid during the boom times of the World War. He lived on this farm continuously until 1905 and then established his home in Walcott. In 1865 he married Margaretha Carstens and for nigh unto fifty six years this happy union continued sharing together whatever life had in store for them. Three children came to bless this home, Mrs. Minnie Steinbeck, Fred Rock, and Mrs. Otto Baustian. There are two grand children and two great grandchildren.

Mr. Rock is proud of the fact that the first thing he did when he came to America was to take out his citizenship papers. He made application for his papers in 1857 and received his final one in 1862. His first presidential ballot was cast for Abraham Lincoln who was elected to his second term. His last presidential ballot he cast for Hoover and though this would seem to indicate that he is a Republican, Mr. Rock has also voted for Democratic candidates as he believes in choosing the one whom he thinks to best fitted for the position. In his opinion, President Roosevelt is doing all that he can to improve conditions in our country.

During the Civil War Mr. Rock and about thirty others formed an organization which raised \$100.00 a piece to be divided among those of the organization who would be called to service. He, himself, was not called upon to serve but four others of the organization were in the Union Army. When the soldiers returned from the South, farm prices were very good and wheat sold for \$2.85 a bushel. However, he had only seven sacks to be sold which brought about \$70.00 and his brother who had several hundred bushels waited just one week too long during which the price declined \$1.00 a bushel.

Mr. Rock is not a member of any fraternal order but in the early days he belonged to the Farmer's Grange. For twenty five years he was a Justice of the Peace in Hickory Grove Township and while serving in this capacity performed many marriages. He also held offices for many terms as school director, trustee and assessor of his township. For years he was

secretary and then president of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Association and in 1915 he was presented with a gold headed walking stick for his faithful services to the association.

One of his chief interests was in planting and grafting fruit trees. His orchard was one of the very best in Scott County. Along with this interest he developed another and his experience and knowledge of bees enabled him to establish a productive and profitable apiary. Although he has curtailed his efforts in out door activities, he still maintains his interest in all of them.

Questioned as to his version of our economic difficulties, Mr. Rock expressed his belief that one of the major causes was the extensive borrowing that preceded it. As a guiding principle he made it a rule not to spend a dollar before he possessed it because it was much easier to get into debt than to get out it. Most of us will agree with him on this subject.

The repeal of the prohibition law has his approval as he thinks that every one should have his own free will and be allowed to exercise his own conduct in matters of this kind. However, he does not tolerate violation of the law and emphatically stated that enforcement of the same should be the first care of citizens and public officials. Let those who transgress, be punished and safeguard society accordingly.

His explanation for his good health was that he ate three good meals daily because he had a healthy appetite and his daughter and son-in-law saw to it that something worthwhile in victuals was on the table. Of course moderation in all that one does, will enable one to do more eventually.

The time came for us to bid Mr. Rock, "Goodbye." The parting handshake was firm. In his eyes which still can see so clearly appeared the good humor and even tempered disposition which are his. The Community of Walcott confidently expects that Mr. Rock will pass the century mark with flying colors and that the venerable old gentleman will exemplify how one may live long and worthily in these days of hurry and worry.

Nearly four hundred attended the Joint Public Installation of the Pythian Sisters and Knights of Pythias at the Coliseum Saturday. The ceremonies were put on in great style, and Pythian Gold Jewels representing 25 years membership were presented to James Riessen, Wm Moeller, and Wm Kronenberg, by Leon Grapes, County Attorney. Dancing was enjoyed after the program.

## BASKET BALL DOUBLE HEADER

Friday Nite January 12, Blue Grass and Walcott will play in a double-header beginning at 7:30.

Last week Walcott defeated Durant in a double header 15 to 5 and 27 to 8.

## 3 COUPLES WEW IN NEW YEARS EVE CEREMONY

Three couples were married New Year's Eve by the Rev. Adalbert R. Kretzmann in the parsonage of St. Luke's Evangelical church at 1501 Melrose street the wedding and celebration was held later at 1136 Wellington Avenue. The brides and bridegrooms, were Raymond Schumachtr 22 years old, 2662 North Ashland avenue and Miss Irmgard Knaack, 20 years old, 1136 Wellington Avenue; Fred G. Neumann, 31 years old, 612 Barry Avenue, and Miss Mildred Rodike, 22 years old, of the same address and Ray J. Kock 28 years old 840 Montrose Avenue and Miss Edith Hill 27 years old, of the same address.

"We wanted to start the New Year out right," said Schumacher, "We've been acquainted a long time and planned the triple wedding a month ago."

## BASKET BALL TEAM TRIM DURANT

The Walcott Community Club Basketball teams scored a double victory over Durant at Castle Hall last Friday night. In the curtain raiser, the Juniors doubled the Durant Seconds, 15 to 5. Hurtz and Knaack leading the attack for the winners. Stellar work by the Walcott guards featured the second game as they held Durant to three field goals. The final score was 27 to 8.

The local boys entertain Blue Grass here in a double header on Friday, January 12. Come early to Doc's Castle for a good seat. First game at 7:45 p.m.

The Walcott Volunteer Fire Department had their meeting last night. With a pony and a Hot Pork lunch. Election of Officers was in order.

John Jensen was re-elected chief for the ninth consecutive year. Emil Beckman our accommodating secretary was re-elected unanionously.

Clem Werner returned to Northwestern College Sunday, spending the year end vacation with his folks. Clem tried to shave himself with the oldfashioned type of razor Sunday and came out second best. He says from now on, he'll let the barbers do the work.

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Toilet Paper, 6 rolls -----	23c
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Crystal White Powered Soap pkg -----	19c
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Becchnut Very Best Packed, lb -----	31c
Peaberry per lb. 13c, 5 lbs -----	85c
Peaberry per lg 25c, 4 lbs -----	95c
Corn Starch, 3 pkgs -----	21c
Maple Syrup, Large Bottle -----	29c
Brick Cheese, 1/2 or Whole lb -----	15c
Pork & Beans, 3 large -----	29c
RoseMary Cake Flour per pkg -----	19c
Mince Meat, 3 pkgs, -----	23c

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The all steel body double X frame and safety glass make it a safe car to drive at high speed.

**THE CAR WITHOUT A PRICE GLASS**

## Lorenz Dietz

### Barber Shop

Coffee beans was the guess Clarence Knaack was the winner

He guessed 602

There were 625

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This week it is matches.

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Specials for Friday, Saturday and Sunday Morning

Oranges 19c doz. medium size. Celery or Head Lettuce 10c and 8c.	
Sweet Potatoes 5c lb. 7 lbs, 27c. Bulk Dates, 2 lbs. -----	19c
Rutabago's 3c lb. Matches Carton of 6 boxes -----	23c
Mrs. Winstons Salad Dressing qt jar -----	25c
Catsup, Large Bottle -----	14c
Sorgum full 10 lb pail only 49c a super Value ----	
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Pleazing Biscuit Flour or Bisquick pkg -----	32c
Wheaties 2 for 25c, Tea Black, Green or Mixed lb. -----	29c
Large Corn Flakes or Post Toasties, 2 for -----	19c
For Your Butchering Needs a Very Complete Line of Butcher Knives, Saw Blades, Hog Scrapers, Salt Petre, Oats, Barley, Buckwheat, Gritz. Special Meat Salt, Smoked Salt, and Condensed Smoke. Also Syrup Barrels to salt your Pork in.	
Borden's Eagle Brand Milk, per Can -----	21c
Colgates Baby Comfort Kit 70c Value only -----	49c
It consists of 1 Can Baby Powder, 1 Bar Baby Castile Soap, 1 Tube Baby Cream.	
Playing Cards, 27c. Unbreakable Poker Chips box of 100 -----	50c
Genuine Gillette Blades pack of 5 Double Edge Blades -----	23c
Prim Double Edge Blade to fit Gillette pack of 3 blades -----	9c
Flash lite 2 Cell Complete with Batteries -----	39c
Flash Lite 3 Cells Focusing 500 ft Range Complete with Batteries ----	79c
Plain White Cups 1st Quality, each -----	9c
Everready Mince Meat 2 lb Jar -----	33c
We have had lots of favorable comments on our A & M Cake Flour 4 lb sack 27c	
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#### NEWS ITEMS

Carl Musfieldt, is having a busy week. When this issue is received Carl will have made four trips to Chicago with livestock.

Some one has suggested that a rule be made that anyone going into Beckman's Ratz Kella be compelled to buy their own beer so it will not be necessary to explain when you come back to the dance floor. If you don't believe this ask Cliff Leabo  
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## Remember

You're In Style When You're Thrifty

All over the Country red pencils and blue pencils have been busy marking out the old prices marking in the new bargain prices an all decorating work.

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Frankfurters 2 lbs for 25c

Bacon per lb. 15c

Straight or Round Casings

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## Viking Orchestra

Saturday Night, January 13

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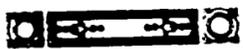
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- 1 pair grays, 5 and 6 years old, weigh 2600 lbs.
  - 1 pair bays, 5 and 9 years old, weigh 3400 lbs.
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  - 1 pair brown and gray, a real pair, 6 and 7 years old
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- Fill with Bondified and enjoy these features;
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- More mileage—less evaporation;
- Free from sticky gum and corrosive sulphur;
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Our genial Chief of Police Herb Roehs, is busy these days, preparing for his visit with the Falstaff German Band, and put on a concert for the boys Saturday night, Hans Timm also presented several numbers.

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