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## Charles W. Black

# Answers to His Last Roll Call 

Soldier, Farmer, Legislator, Outstanding Citizen of County, Dies Oct. 12

Hon. Charles W. Black, Civil war veteran, state legislator, and outstanding citizen of Malvern and Mills county, passed to his reward Sunday evening. Oct. 12. at his home in Malvern atter an illness of several weeks.

He made a brave fight to regain his health but when the summons came he was ready with a clear answer for his last roll call.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock in the Presbyterian church in Malvern whither a large concourse of fripnds and relatives assembled to pay their last respects to this man whom all loved and delisited to honor.

Masses of ha triful flowers banked the front of the church and surrounded the to form as it lay in state in the church he had delighted to attend so large a portion of his life.

He was attended by three of his old Grand Army comrades who acted as a guard of honor and sat at the head of the casket, A. D. French, Lon Mayberry, and A. Ring.

Twenty members of the local American Legion attended in a body and acted as escort there and at the cemetery.

A special choir. Mrs. L. A. Talbott, Miss Hazel Donner, Dr. I. U. Parsons, and R. W. Criswell, with Miss Helen Jones as accompanist, sang some of the songs he had loved.

The services were in charge of the pastor, Dr. Henry D. White, assisted by Rev. A. E. Kiser of Council Bluffs, Rev. Elbert Nickerson of Wahoo, Nebr., President L. C. DenIse, and Dr. Chárles Herron of Omaha PresDyterian Theological university.

The pall bearers were: Walter Donner, L. A. Talbott, S. J. Anderson, Dr. J. O. Laird, W. H. Nagle, and Fred Dickersbach.

Froubrary pall bearers were $L$. W. Miller, J. R. Hurst, E. C.



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Muskingum college, New Concord, Ohio.

At the outbreak of the Civil war, being then seventeen years of age, he volunteered at the first call for troops to serve three months. He, however, was not mustered into service as the company was rull and the government would not take any more three months enlistments.

On the 1st of August, 1861 , he re-enlisted for three years service as a member of Co. G of the 32nd ohio volunteer infantry. His first captain was a son of Willam Hamiton, who like.
 immigrant. His first milltary service was in West Virginia and Maryland.

Later his company was transoctionegonileqh hy yotunteers andritteff at the der General John A. Logan's di-

## Many Feel Loss

 of C. W. BlackWas Man Beloved of All Who Knew Him in This Community

Only when a great man is gone is his greatness fully appreciated. The death of Hon. C. W. Black. Malvern's most distinguished citizen, leaves a loss in the community which the following ax. pressions of regard only partly show. The Leader could print hundreds of these, for-neartyrevi ery person in this part of the county personally knew Mr. Black, but the following are representative:

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[^0]sent from the Presbyterlan acadomy for colored people at Arkadelphls, Ark, the Omaha Presbyterian Theological School, and the-Omaha-University, schools that Mr. Black had alded materlally the past few years. There were many other beautiful pleces from local organizations.

At the cemetery the beautiful C. A. R. ritualistic nervice was given hy A. D. French of Glenwood in a very imprensive manner as the members of the American Legion stood at attention. At the close "taps" were sounded by the bugler.

During the hour of the funeral all business houses in Malvern were closed as a mark of respect for this man who had done so much for town and community.

The following life story and tribute was read by Dr. A. E. Kiser, a former pastor and longtime rilend:

Charles Wesley Black, whose memory we cherish and honor, was born near the village of Brownsville. Ohio. Sept. 27, 1843 and departed this life Sunday evening. Oct. 12, 1930, at the ripe age of eighty-seven years and a few days.

His father, William-Black, was a native of Scotland, and came to the United States in 1838. His mother, Martha Reed Black, was the daughter of Irish parents who emigrated to America in 1810 and to Ohio in the fall of 1816. She was born near Zanesville. It was in this vicinity that his parents met and were united in marrlage.

Thus it will be observed that he was entitled to refer, as Xe was wont to do occaslonally, to his Scotch-Ïrish ancestry.

This worthy couple came to Malvern in 1871 and are well remembered by the older people whose memory dates back that far.

Charles Wesley or "C. W." as Mr. Black was famillarly known, was the oldest of a family of nine children, only one of whom survives him, viz:-Wihiam Arthur, of Salt Lake City, Utah.

Mr. Black's boyhood and youth as well as his earller manhood, were spent on the farm. As was usually the case at that time his educational opportunities were somewhat limited.

Being the oldest of the family his father needed his help on the farm. After he was twelve years of age the winter term of the public school was the extent of his early schoollig. This, however, was supplemented by two winter terms after the war at

Maryland.
Later his company was trankferred to the Western Army under General John A. Iogan's division nt Memphis, Tenn. The company and regiment to which he belonged took a prominent part in the stirring events Incldent to the Vicksburg campaign.

In recognition of the mpleaddd leadershlp General Grant accorded to Logan'н division, which ocrupied the center of the line of Investment, the honor of entering and taking charge of the prisoners.

With the captured city as head quarters his regiment was emploved in several expeditions. one into Louisiana and another known as the Meridian campaten.

In 1863 Mr . Black re-enllsted for three years more. His regiment was permitted to go home on a veterans' furlough for thirty days.
*On the 8 th of June, 1864, his command became a part of Sherman's army and was under almost constant fire until the surrender of the city of Atlanta. It was-during-the-buttle-of Atlantathat they suffered their greatest losses. Sherman's famous march to the sea was participated in as was also the march up through the Carolinas. After the surrender of the Confederate army under General Johnson his command started to Washington. D. C., passing through Richmond and Fredericksburg enroute. He and his comrades took part in the grand review of Sherman's army. They were then transferred to Louisville, Ky, with the army of Tennessee.

Mr. Black received his final discharge from the army July 28 , 1865. He was highly favoréd during his army life in that he only reported once for slckness and was only slightly wounded.

In the spring of 1867 Mr . Black left Ohio and came to Tonica, III. where in Sepitember he was married to Miss Martha J. Landes. Two children were born to them. Miss Marion Landes and Margaret Aletta.

In 1872 the family moved to Malvern and located on a farm two and a half miles north of town. In November the wife and mother passed to her reward. For several years he made hls home with his parents who then, as previously noted, lived in Malvern.

On the 14th of January, 1875 , he was united in marriage to Miss Hannah E. Evans who for
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resentative:
As a broad-visioned, highr minded Chrintlan gentleman, C. W. Black made a great impression upon my life. I count it one of the grept privileges of my ministry to fave known him as a Triemi. Dr. M. A. Gable, district superintendent of the Methodist church.

His ablity to stay young and be interested In every activity in the community was one of his outstanding characteristics. Fred Durbin.

Mr . Black was peaceloving and charitable and his life was a wonderful sermon in those characteristics. His philanthropies were extremely extensive and yet known for the most part only by himself and the recipient. His loss will be keenly felt by our whole community. Mayor D. E. Whitfield.

I want to state that I have known Mr. Black for the past thirty-seven years and both from a business and philanthropic standpoint I have found him to be by far the foremost man in our community. C. S. Royce.

Mr. Black's character and personality were such that they made a person want to do a little detter every time he came in confact with himioneroderarquhar.

Never have I met a more rounded man than C. W. Black. His heart and money went out not only for the welfare of the community at large but for the salvation of every unsaved man. Ira E. Fritz.

I am glad to say that I have known Mr. Black. He possessed a most remarkable knowledge, of the Bible whose teachings he sincerely exemplified. A. D. French.

Mr. Black will be kreatly missed in the public activities of the town and he commanded the respect of all classes of people and did a great deal of good during his life. L. W. Boehner.

With all the other fine things that went to make up Mr. Black's character he was a man of great civic pride. He was always ready to help any cause that would tend to make Malvern. his home town, a better place. He seemed to consider it an additional pleasure in his life to give his money to any cause he thought good. And everyone of our members feels a deep personal loss because of the death of this fine member. E. W. Knight, president of the Malvern Community club.
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## MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCII．

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Moved by Slothower，seconded by Salyers，that the application of II．L．Hornhy for cikaret par－ mit b．kranted．he having fur－ nished proper bond and fer．Mo－ tion carried．

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country school house points in the vicinity of Malvern.

Mr. Black always took an active interest in public affairs and was a liberal supporter of every enterprise calculated to promote the public welfare.

I am informed that he cart his first presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln. In his political views he has been aptly characterized as "an out and out Republican." As such in 1899 he was elected to the state legislature where he served his district two terms with marked fidelity and wisdom.

Malvern and Mills county have been fortunate indeed in having such a man as a citizen.

If I was asked to enumerate some of his outstanding sterling qualities I think I would speak of him first as a most liberal supporter of all Christlan institutions and every worthy cause.

## Mrs. June Fickel Will Speak Over Radio Friday

Mrs. June Fickel of Hastings, demoeratic candidate for congress in the ninth district, will begin a series of radio broad-casts-Friday. Oct. 17. from Shenandoah. Mrs. Fickel will speak to the women especially that afternoon at $4: 30$ from KMA and will continue her discussion from KFNF at $9: 15$ that evening.

## A New Business

Opens in Malvern
The Colonial Craft Studio is the name of a brand new firm in Malver:, composed of Mrs. Ina Robbins Lisle and Mrs. Marie Lee Robbins, who have leased The rooms over the Clem Drus store, formerly occupied by Mrs. C. O. Nickols with her Apparel Shop.

Many of our readers will remember the beautiful display of colonial weaving these ladies had at the fair this year and will be delighted to know that they have decided to continue the manufacture of these goods and also give instruntion in weaving and making of these articles.

They have their looms already in place and some-of their goods on display and will be ready for their formal opening the latter part of next week. They will also handle a line of gift goods.

They returned Saturday from Omaha where for two weeks they
 ing in linens, woolens, and cot-
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the councll asking that an elec- "office tion be held regarding a gas franchise.

Motion made and carried that the meeting adjourn.

## Y. H. Seaton, clerk.

Regular meeting, July 7, 1930. Councll present: Slothower, Salyers, Norton, Mansfield, Piper. Council met in regular session on the above date with all members present.

The following bills were presented to the finance committee: Karl Hertz, road work - $\$ 55.95$ Ia. Light \& Power, IIght 139.75

Power -..-- 62.80 Harry Nelson, labor in
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Motion made by Slothower, seconded by Mansfield, that the foregoing bills be allowed. Roll call, all ywas. Carried.
The council considered and filed the estimate for the local budget for the-town of-Malvern.
The figures as set forth on the attached estimate sheet which has been heretofore published were considered and a motion made by Mansfield, seconded by Slothower, that the date for final hearing be set for Aug. 4 in the
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News of the Strahan Consolidated School

# Strahan School Students Taking Declamatorv Work 

Mrs. Amick has begun declamatory work this week. The oratorical contest will be held at the school Friday night. Those taking part in the contest are: Clarence Nagel, Darrel and Delmos Costello, I, uise Hall. Orville Goins. He'on Martin, and Ruby Warren.

There "ill also be a play given entitled ". A Fat Chance to Get Thin." The fipe clubs will give a few numbers. Only those whose grades are passing in all subjocts are allowed to take declamatory work lifs vear.

First and Second Grades
Miss Marcaret Dudley was a little visitor in our room last werk.

Sonny McCollister visited us last Friday afternoon.
The second grade have finished the story of the Three Little Plgu-in reating. They-dramatized the story in language. Then they worked out a project on a table. bullding the straw house, the house of sticks, and the house of storicean

Third and Fourth Grades

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Dunagan is a Republican and has held the office of trustee of Center township for six years, efficiently performing the duties of the office. Socially he is connected with the I. O. O. F. organization and is a man of such superiority of character that his friends are many.

## HON. CHARLES W. BLACK.

Hon. Charles W. Black resides at Malvern, Iowa surrounded by the comfort that earnest labor has brought him. His has been a busy, active and useful career, and his close attention to agricultural pursuits has brought to him a handsome competence, his pleasant home with its attractive surroundings being a visible evidence of what he has accomplished. His father, William Black, was a native of Scotland, born in Strathaven, March 9, 1817, and in the spring of 1838 came to the United States. He took passage on an old sailing vessel at Glasgow and was forty-eight days upon the water. That summer was spent in and around Rochester, New York, and in the fall he went to Ohio, where he was residing at the time of his death, which occurred in May, 1900. In 1871, however, he came to Malvern, where for fifteen years he was engaged in the hardware business. He married Miss Martha Reed, who was born near Zanesville, Ohio, March 9, 1821, and died in Malvern, Iowa, at the age of sixty-four years. Her father shouldered his musket as a representative of the Protestant side of the Irish Rebellion, when only sixteen years of age.

Mr. Black of this review, was born near Brownsville, Ohio, September 27, 1843, and was reared to agricultural pursuits like the average farmer boy. When the country
became involved in civil war he resolved to enlist as a soldier for the Union, and at the age of seventeen responded to the first call for three-months volunteers, but was not mustered into service. On the ist of August, 186r, he re-enlisted for three years' service as a member of Company G, Thirty-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry. This regiment had more names on its roll than any other Ohio regiment that went forth to defend the Union. He veteranized on the 17th of December, 1863, at Vicksburg, again enlisting for three years. He was in the service altogether for about four years, being mustered out after the close of the war at Louisville, Kentucky, on the 20th of July, 1865. He entered the army from patriotic motives and was always found at his post of duty, valiantly defending the old flag and the cause it represented. He participated in all of the engagements in which his company took part, but fortunately was never injured, nor did he lose a day from illness or other cause.

Returning to his home after the war, Mr. Black felt the need of a better education than he had previously acquired, and for two winters attended college, while devoting the summer months to work on the farm. In the spring of 1867 he removed to Tonica, Illinois, where he engaged in farming on rented land for a short time, and later bought a small place. He continued his residence there until the spring of 1872 , when he came to Mills county, Iowa, and bought one hundred and sixty acres of land, two and a half miles north of Malvern, which he converted into a fine stock farm by adding to the original purchase. He continues actively engaged in agricultural pursuits, although now residing in Malvern.

On the, 9th of September, 1867, Mr. Black was united in marriage to Miss Martha Landes, who died in Malvern, in 1872, at the age of twenty-seven years. By that union were born two children, Marion and Margaret. Mr. Black was married January 14, 1875, in Mills county, his second union being with Miss Hannah B. Evans. She was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, and completed her literary education in the Western High School of Baltimore. Her father, William M. Evans, was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, in 1813 , and died in Mills county, Iowa, in 1885 . He married Sarah A. Van Kirk, whose birth occurred in Washington county, in 1812, and who passed away in Mills county, in 1882, the family having come to the latter county in 1873.
.Mr. Black is liberal, public-spirited and progressive and in his political views is an out and out Republican. He filled several local offices in the township where he resided, and in 1899 was elected to the state legislature, in which he faithfuly represents his district. He is chairman of the committee on the Home for Feeble-Minded Children, and is a member of other important committees. His wise counsel is sought on many matters of interest to the county and state, and it is to such men as he that is due the credit of our wise and beneficent legislation. Since casting his first presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln, he has taken an active interest in public affairs, and has supported those enterprises which he belieyes calculated to advance the public welfare. He was one of the organizers, and is still a prominent member of Milton Summers Post, No. 204, G. A. R., of Malvern, of which he was the first commander. Religiously he and his
family are members of the Presbyterian church, and are prominent in the community: where they reside.

## O. A. EDGERTON.

O. A. Edgerton, a member of the board of county commissioners of Fremont county, whose surccess in business and fidelity to the duties of citizenship class him among the representative residents of southwestern Iowa, was born near Des Moines, this state, on the Ist of June, 1860 . His father, Owen Edgerton, was a prominent and well known early settler of this state. He was born in Belmont county, Ohio, and belonged to a good Quaker family noted for energy, honesty and piety. The days of his boyhood and youth were passed near Richmond, Wayne county, Indiana, upon a farm, and in the public schools near his home he acquired his education.

During the early period of settlement in central Iowa he came to this state, and in 1867 took up his abode in Fremont county. He had wedded Miss Mary Rich and found in her a most capable assistant and companion for the journey of life. She was born in Randolph county, North Carolina, and her father also was connected with the Society of Friends and died in Indiana. Upon arriving in Fremont county Owen Edgerton made the third settlement in Locust Grove township. All was new and primitive; nature had bountifully provided for those who wished to secure homes, but to the settlers remained the arduous task of developing the land and making it productive through cultivation. In 1869 he sold his first farm and came to the homestead in Madison township. Devoting considerable attention to stockraising, he found that he greatly augmented


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