

Bob Zeller's Story
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In the 1920's Bob Zeller lived on 36th Street just north of Hickman Road. In his regular walk to Byron Rice School he usually followed a diagonal path through the woods and McClelland's cow pasture, which brought him out at the corner of Urbandale and Beaver Avenues. One day as he was passing through the pasture he came upon a cow which was in labor having a calf. Like any child in a similar situation he could not resist the need to stop and watch. When he finally arrived at school many minutes late, he had to pay the usual visit to the principal's office where he told his story. The principal thereupon decided that this was not only the best excuse for tardiness he had ever heard, but education had also been served.