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Irl D. Tolen is Made Director Social Security

Chosen as Head of the \$10,000,000 Program by the State Assistance Committee.

Irl D. Tolen, present deputy secretary of state, has been chosen director of the state assistance committee's \$10,000,000 so-called social security program, a \$3,000 job created by the special legislative session.

The selection took place at a called meeting of the committee Sunday, but was not announced until Monday forenoon by Governor Cochran, chairman, the other committeemen with the governor comprising the board of educational lands and funds.

While the announcement indicates unanimous vote of this board, the inside story is that while Governor Cochran and Secretary of State Harry P. Swanson were scouring the state outside of the list of applicants for "the best man they could get for the job," the other three board members, Attorney General Wright, State Land Commissioner Leo N. Swanson, and State Treasurer Hall, put one over on the two by picking a man of their own choice. Then everybody joined in making it unanimous. Thus

Land Commissioner Swanson, the only republican member of the board of five, had something to say about what democrat should get the place. Treasurer Hall, who is still in a hospital, was consulted by the board Sunday by telephone.

As the three members are alleged to at least appeared to have acquiesced in the search being made by the governor and secretary of state, there is talk at the capitol of the two officers being "double crossed."

The same board had previously, last September, elected Tolen secretary of the state bonding commission, a body to require all public officers to take out official bonds in a state bonding fund, but this board is not doing anything while the law is being tested in court. Governor Cochran, who left for Oxford, announced before going, that the same board had selected another to serve the bonding board if and when the law is declared constitutional, the name of the man being withheld.

TRAP SHOOT

Sunday, Dec. 29, at my home one mile south of Cullom Elevator; nine miles west, 1 1/2 north of Plattsmouth. Plenty shells. Leonard C. Stoehr. d26-11w-24d

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Bible School Lesson Study!

Sunday, December 29th By L. Neitzel, Murdock, Neb.

"Some Men and Their Message" REVIEW

A survey of the past, a re-examination, is of great benefit to the student of acts, history and special events. So a review of the men and their work and messages should prove of great value.

- 1—Isaiah, chap. 53:1-12. His call, his message and portrayal of the "Suffering Servant" show a depth and insight and understanding of God's plan of redemption, that is simply marvelous.
- 2—Jeremiah, 1:6-10; 28:8-15. His consecration to the work. God's hand touched his mouth and gave him his message. So must everyone that is to speak for God, have the mark of God upon him.
- 3—Jeremiah's Message, 7:1-11, 21, 23. A solemn warning to amend their ways and their doings, which he faithfully performed, for which he was imprisoned, thrown into a dungeon to die, but rescued by an Ethiopian, Ebed-Melech, and outlived the destruction of his enemies.
- 4—Belshazzar's Feast, showing a drunken party that ended in disaster. This man had not profited from the record of Nebuchadnezzar, who in the record of Nebuchadnezzar, who in self instead of Jehovah, lost his mind, believed himself to be an animal and ate grass. This man deliberately blasphemed God and desecrated the holy vessels of the temple, in this drunken orgy, and brought the wrath of a holy God upon him, lost his life and kingdom the same night. The curse of drunkenness fills graves and hell at the same time, as no drunkard can enter the kingdom of heaven—the tippler and moderate drinker is on the way to become a drunkard.
- 5—Zedekiah and His Doom, II Kings, 25:1-12. This lesson should make a deep and lasting impression on the student. God gives men time and opportunity to "Stop, Look and Listen" to his call, but there is a limit to the love of God and divine justice demands to be recognized. A terrible doom awaits Zedekiah. It is the end. His children are slain in his presence, then his eyes are put out. The last scene he saw was the murder of his children. The end of the Kingdom of Judah.
- 6—Ezekiel. A lesson on personal responsibility which no one can escape. God deals with nations as with individuals. As God is the author of all life, he has the authority to demand of man to listen when he speaks. If every man could do as he pleases, there would be chaos in the world. There must be government

with authority to enforce its rules. As man is a dual being, he is subject to two powers, the spiritual and civil. He must obey or take the consequences.

- 7—Ezra Leading the Captives Back. It was a happy and a sad day, when the Jews could go back after many years (56 years) to the homeland. What changes had taken place. See Ps. 126 for a description of the state of their spirits. Their return seemed most unreal—like a dream—too good to be true. It is the same when the prodigal (men away from God) return to where they belong. Joy and gladness, tears and sadness.
- 8—Haggai and Zechariah Follow Ezra and Restore the Temple Worship. No Christian nation can prosper without regular places and times for public worship; neither can men hold and maintain their religion without stated times and places for worship. The individual who forsakes the meetings of God's people will soon find that he is losing contact with God and man and grows cold and indifferent. Haggai and Zechariah knew this, hence the establishing of the temple worship.
- 9—Ezra's Mission in Jerusalem. (Ezra 7). After the return from Babylon, Ezra, being a devout man and well versed in the word of God, set about to teach the people the statutes and ordinances of God. It is astonishing how little the average person knows of the word of God; that is one reason of the many crimes and sects in the world. There is no sound understanding, well founded belief or clear conception of faith and doctrine.
- 10—Nehemiah Rebuilding the Wall of Jerusalem. The destruction of Jerusalem by Nebuchadnezzar was complete, and required much and hard work to rebuild; but even greater opposition the work went on to completion. This is proof of what a few heroic and determined men with the help of God can do. Never give up—once your hand on the plow, stick to it. In twelve years the city was ready to withstand a siege.
- 11—Ezra Teaching the Law of God. It is remarkable, that after the return of the Jews from their captivity, where they went because of their idolatry and being taught the law of God by Ezra, they have not to this day practiced idolatry. They had learned their lesson and learned it well. The indoctrination of people with the word of God makes for dependable Christians, they become the pillars of the church, and God can use them.

Murray

F. J. Petersen and family departed early this week for Niobrara where they will visit for some few weeks with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Nellie Wehrlein and Mrs. Anderson Lloyd were over to Omaha last Monday visiting with friends as well as doing some Christmas shopping.

J. V. Pittman and daughter, Miss Thelma were enjoying a visit at the home of Mrs. Addie Perry for Christmas day and also for a very fine dinner which was served.

Mr. Ran Minford has leased his service station at the Murray corners to Mr. Tilson who will operate it during the absence of Mr. Minford and wife in the south.

Luther Wamack and the family were enjoying a visit at Weeping Water on Christmas, guests at the home of M. E. Askew for a very fine dinner which was served at a family reunion.

Mrs. Margaret Brendel and son, Richard, were enjoying an over Christmas visit at the home of a sister of Mrs. Brendel, Mrs. Wm. Kidder and husband. They are remaining for a visit during the week.

On Tuesday evening of this week Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Smith entertained at their home and had a Christmas eve 6 o'clock dinner at which they were entertaining Attorney and Mrs. C. A. Rawls of Plattsmouth, the ladies being sisters.

The Rev. Sloan who has been ministering to the Murray Presbyterian church for several months past, is at this time enjoying a vacation at his old home near Pittsburgh and will spend a few weeks there before returning to his work here.

Earl Terhune and the family were enjoying their Christmas at the home of the parents of Mrs. Terhune at Humboldt, they departing last Tuesday evening and remaining until Thursday, where they surely enjoyed the occasion to the utmost.

Albert Churchill and wife of Stockton, Calif., arrived in Murray and have been visiting with M. G. Churchill, and other friends and relatives, they enjoying Christmas in the old home town, which by the way is a little cooler than in the sunny climate of California.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Minford who are soon to depart for the south where they are expecting to spend the winter at Miami, Florida, entertained last Tuesday evening at their home Christmas eve, their daughter, Mrs. Elbert Wiles and husband, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Minford where a very fine evening was had.

Will Winter in South.

In a few days as soon as some business matters can be arranged, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Minford will depart for Miami, Florida, going via train, where they will make their home for some two months. Mr. Minford has not been in the best of health and he is assured that the stay in the south during the more severe winter will be beneficial to his health. The wife will accompany him and they will secure a cottage where they will keep house during their stay there.

Entertained for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Young, residing a few miles west of Murray were host and hostess at their farm home on Christmas day when they entertained for the day and dinner their two daughters, Mrs. H. Humans and husband of Barmeson, where Mr. Humans is the superintendent of the schools, spending their vacation, at the home of Mrs. Humans' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Young, and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Schwears and family of Weeping Water. The family surely enjoyed the day as well as a very fine Christmas dinner.

Visited Here and at Auburn.

Supt. L. M. Hauptmann and wife of the Alvo schools were guests Saturday night and early Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Brubacher, the ladies being sisters, and on the following morning all departed for Auburn where they enjoyed a day visiting at the home of the parents of the ladies, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Lash. On their way home Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Hauptmann stopped for a short visit at Avoca with the parents of Mr. Hauptmann.

Visiting Mother in West.

Mrs. Charles Staska and daughter, Josephine and son, Eugene departed early this week for Santa Barbara, California, where they will visit at the home of Mrs. Staska's mother for the mid-winter holidays, expecting to be away until the beginning of school again early the coming year.

Enjoying the South.

A card from Mrs. Wm. Sporer and Martin Sporer and family who are at Miami, Florida, where they went

SPEND a few moments today thinking about your insurance. . . . How much of your money is invested in property that may be destroyed? Insurance is the only sure way of safeguarding that part of your wealth! Do not take the chance.

Searl S. Davis
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a short time ago tells of their enjoying the nice warm weather there with its mild climate and escaping the frigid weather which has come to press upon us here that Christmas weather can be furnished by the weather bureau on short notice. Mrs. Sporer stood the trip nicely and is liking their visit there.

Visited Relatives Here.

Glen Rhoden who makes his home in Perkins county where he is engaged in farming came east with some stock for the South Omaha market and after delivering his cattle to the market he came to Murray for a short visit with relatives and friends and as well visited with his father Geo. W. Rhoden at the Nebraska Masonic Home at Plattsmouth and as well visited Phillip Sauter who was seventy-eight year of age on Christmas day and was born at Farmington, Iowa. He also visited John R. T. Tawney who was also 83 years old on Christmas as well and was born at Adrian, Mich. Mr. Glen Rhoden enjoyed the visit there very much. Mr. George W. Rhoden will be passing his 77th birthday on Jan. 5th.

Home From the Hospital.

John Gimore who has been at the hospital where he underwent an operation for relief from appendicitis, has been making such progress that he was able to return home during this week. He is hoping to be entirely recovered in a short time.

Returned From Hospital.

Mrs. Lester Long who has been at the hospital in Omaha for the past three weeks where she was receiving treatment for an affection of the head, has been showing such improvement that she was permitted to return home during the week. Her many friends are rejoicing that she is showing such good improvement.

BANKHEAD IN A PREDICTION

Washington.—Rep. Bankhead of Alabama returned to the capitol to take over his job as house democratic leader and make two forecasts to newsmen:

1. The house will vote the cash bonus even over a veto.
2. The Townsend old age pension plan probably will not come to a vote in the session beginning Jan. 3.

The Alabaman said he anticipated the bonus would be brought up in the same manner it was last session. That would mean a vote Jan. 13 on the Patman bill to pay the bonus in new currency.

The majority leader doubted whether the Townsend old age pension plan would reach a vote during the session because the ways and means committee probably would not approve it. "Our primary purpose," he said, "will be to get rid of appropriation bills as soon as it can be fairly and conservatively done and then take up other matters." He added, tho, that nothing would be done toward working out a legislative program until after Christmas. Before the session begins, Bankhead expects to see the president.

Asked whether the session would be "short and snappy," Bankhead replied: "It's going to be snappy. I don't know about short. It's a presidential year and our friend the enemy is going to be on the alert to try to make inroads. Our side is going to be just as aggressive."

PUBLIC DEBT 50 BILLIONS

Washington.—The national industrial conference board estimated the gross public debt to be about 50 billion dollars, an increase of 11 billion since 1932. In a statement the conference board said that of the 50 billion dollars about 20 billion represented federal indebtedness and about 20 billion state and local debts. "It is not primarily the amount," said the statement, "that makes the problem serious, but rather the continuing uncertainty as to when the upward trend will be arrested and also the fact that the banking system has been, and is now, the principal outlet for debt issues."

Elmwood News

Mr. and Mrs. Charles West were entertaining at their home Mr. and Mrs. Herman Fleischmann for Christmas and a very fine dinner.

Mrs. Willard Clapp has been in Lincoln during the past week, where she has been singing Christmas carols at the Miller and Payne store.

Rev. Ernest Baker, pastor of the Christian church, and his wife departed Tuesday for the western part of the state, where they are spending the Christmas season at the home of the parents of Rev. Baker.

Sidney James and family of near Alvo were guests for Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward James of east of Elmwood on O street road where they all enjoyed the day very nicely with a good dinner and a good visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Shreve entertained at their home for the Christmas day and had as their guests the mother of Mr. Shreve, Mrs. Emma Shreve of Elmwood and Mrs. Lyle Wilson, sister of Mrs. Elmer Shreve of Lincoln and say they sure enjoyed the get-together meeting.

Ray Long, who has been working in this neighborhood for some time past, assisting Harry Marshall with the picking of his corn and building some fence as well as other work, concluded the work last Tuesday and returned to his home in Lincoln, to enjoy the Christmas season with his parents.

We visited James Turk who has been kept to his room and bed by reason of poor health and a stroke and who while compelled to remain in doors still is manifesting a good deal of enjoyment and says he is feeling pretty well. You, his friends, had better drop in and see Mr. Turk as it will cheer him up nicely.

Ronald Schlichtemeier and family were enjoying Christmas eve and also Christmas day at the home of the parents of Mrs. Schlichtemeier, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Roeber. One of the features of Christmas eve was the Christmas tree with its many gifts. The members of the family party attended the Christmas entertainment at the Methodist church, after which they went to the Roeber home for another entertainment.

Are Ready for Business

The new firm of implement dealers, Shreve & Clapp, composed of Elmer Shreve and Willard Clapp, have gotten their building in condition for the handling of their line and have already received a number of invoices of goods, including a car load of tractors, which they have on display. They expect to have a formal opening some time during the month of January, announcement of which will be made in the advertising columns of the Journal.

Enjoyed Their Turkey

Wright Gillett, of Lincoln, presented his parents, Frank Gillett and wife, of Elmwood, with a very fine turkey, and on Christmas day in company with his brother, Frank Gillett, Jr., and family, of Lincoln, Emil Meyers and family of Fairbury, and the parents enjoyed a sumptuous dinner at the Gillett home, where all visited together and had a most enjoyable time.

Home for Christmas

James E. Liston, son of Dr. and Mrs. O. E. Liston, who has been making his home in New Orleans, arrived in Elmwood early this week and is spending the week and perhaps more here with his parents and visiting his many friends here.

Guy Clement and Wife Entertain

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Clement was the scene of a happy gathering on Christmas day, when a goodly number of the relatives were present to enjoy the occasion and a sumptuous dinner. Those present included his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Clements, Bud Clements and family, Orley Clements of Elmwood and L. D. Clements and family of Lincoln as well as S. L. Clements and family of Peru. This is the first time since the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. B. I. Clement that they have not had the family at their home for Christmas.

Charles E. Wood Entertained

Charles E. Wood, salesman for the Clover Farm store entertained at his home in Elmwood on Christmas day, having as guests for the occasion Walter Woods and family of near Manley and Stanley Woods and family of near Fremont. They all enjoyed the day together and a splendid Christmas dinner.

Christmas in Plattsmouth

Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Bothwell of the Clover Farm store were enjoying Christmas at the home of the brother of Mrs. Bothwell, County Treasurer John E. Turner and family in

Chinese Dictator an Enigma



Chiang and bride in 1930

Chiang in 1926

Gen. Chiang Kai-Shek

Gen Chiang Kai-Shek of China, whose name flared anew in the headlines when an autonomous state was recently formed in north China under sponsorship of Japan, looms as one of the most enigmatic dictators in power in the world today. Although he has been a power in Chinese affairs for 20 years, Chiang is a mysterious figure whose personal life is practically unknown, one who has pursued his political and military activities from the background as much as possible. Chiang rose to power as an aide of Dr. Sun Yat Sen when the latter launched the revolution which overthrew the Manchus. When Dr. Sun died in 1925, Chiang became dictator of China. The very secrecy with which he conducts his life has given rise to sharply contrasting opinions of him. Some look upon him as a grasping militarist who would sell China to Japan. His position was considerably strengthened in 1930 by his marriage to Soong Meiling of the powerful Soong family.

Plattsmouth. They were accompanied by the father of Mrs. Bothwell, Oscar Turner, and also by Miss Jean Adair Bothwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norville Bothwell.

Appreciate Citizens Loyalty.

With the manner in which the carnival which was staged for the gathering of funds for the installation of the heating plant in the community building, the Library Club of Elmwood is showing its appreciation by the giving of an open house at the Community building on New Years, January first, 1936, when they will have a social time, a good dinner and plenty of games to amuse the people. The house will be open for the entire day for the amusement of the people and is given to show how well the loyalty of the people is appreciated by those having the carnival in hand and which was so great a success.

E. T. Comer Passes Tuesday.

Mr. Eugene T. Comer, for forty years a resident of Elmwood, died at 10:10 last Tuesday morning at the Bryan Memorial hospital in Lincoln where he had been taken for treatment and an operation a short time ago.

Mr. Comer was born at Muscatine, Iowa, on November 28, 1856 and was 79 years of age last month. With his parents he continued to reside there until he was 14 years of age when the family removed to Trenton, Mo., where they remained for a number of years. Here as a young man he operated a mill. They moved to Cass county, Nebraska and resided in Weeping Water for a number of years then making their home in Boone county, Nebraska. They then returned to Elmwood where they have made their home for the past forty years.

He was united in marriage to Miss Alma Irons on June 30, 1887 at Plattsmouth. To this union two daughters were born, they being Eugenia Comer, now Mrs. Ray Meyers of Wynore and Mrs. Florence Deles Denier of Kansas City, Mo.

With the falling health of the deceased he was taken to the Bryan Memorial hospital a week before his death. During the days following he was feeling cheerful and it was thought and hoped that he was convalescing. On the day before his passing he was taken worse and the members of the family were called to his bedside. He continued to grow worse until his death on Tuesday morning of this week.

Mr. Comer was an exceptionally cheerful man and was counted as a friend of everyone, always ready to do a good turn for anyone needing a friend. He was a life long member of the Christian church and took much interest in the church work as well as the Bible school.

Until word is received from a sister residing in California, no arrangements will be made for the funeral. One sister, Anna Brockline, lives in Beverly, Calif., and another, Mrs. Mary Bixley resides at Lyon, Nebraska.

Attended Wedding Christmas Eve

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bornemeier on Christmas eve there was celebrated the marriage of their daughter, Miss Kathryn to LaVerne Sutton, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sutton of near Alvo. The Rev. C. P. Weber, pastor of the Callahan Lutheran church, officiated. The bride and groom were both born and reared in this community, where they are held in high esteem by a large circle of acquaintances. They are graduates of the Alvo and Murdock high schools. They will make their home on a farm near their present place of residence.

These from Elmwood who attended the wedding of these popular young people were Louis Bornemeier and wife, August Bornemeier and family, William Bornemeier and family and George Bornemeier and family.

Congratulations and best wishes to the happy young couple.

TWO MINERS ARE HURT

Glenn Morrison, W. Va.—Supt. A. W. Land said all the men in the workings of the Morrison Coal company's No. 1 mine had been removed after an explosion and only two workers were injured. He added the blast was caused by an accumulation of gas about a mile from the mouth of the working. Lang said 280 men were called out of the mine to await an investigation by James Maynor, of Mullens, district mine inspector.