

President in Praise of Civilian Workers of U.S.

Congratulates Present and Past Members of Civilian Conservation Corps.

Washington.—Congratulating the 1.5 millions present and past members of the civilian conservation corps, the first camp of which was set up three years ago, President Roosevelt said they deserved "the admiration of the entire country."

"You and the men who have guided and supervised your efforts," he said in a message read by Robert Fechner, CCC director, "have cause to be proud of the record the CCC has made in the development of sturdy manhood of unprecedented proportions."

Fechner said it is "practically certain the camps will become a permanent institution." The first camp was established three years ago in the George Washington national forest, near Luray, Va. Business men were asked by Fechner to consider that "an honorable discharge certificate from the CCC is a valuable recommendation for anybody."

In his message, Mr. Roosevelt said: "Our records show that the results achieved in the protection and improvement of our timbered domain, in the arrest of soil wastage, in the development of needed recreation areas, in wild life conservation and in flood control have been as impressive as the results achieved in the rehabilitation of youth. "Thru your spirit and industry it has been demonstrated that young men can be put to work in our forests, parks and fields on projects which benefit both the nation's youth and conservation generally."

At the time the CCC was being set up, the president said, "I predicted that thru the CCC we would graduate a fine group of strong young men, trained to self-discipline and willing and proud to work." Adding that he had not "misjudged the loyalty, the spirit, and the industry or the temper of American youth," Mr. Roosevelt said camp life had improved the health and the morale of the enrollees and that the 1,150,000 graduates were "alert and eager for the opportunity to make good in any kind of honest employment."

Charles Lathrop Pack, president of the American Tree association, telegraphed congratulations on the army's administration of CCC camps to the commanding general in each of the nine corps areas.

DISCUSS WATER POLLUTION

Chicago.—Concerted drives to obtain federal assistance in efforts to solve the problems of water pollution and dwindling life resources were urged at the opening session of the Izaak Walton league's 14th annual national convention, W. L. Finley of Portland, Ore., speaking on the effort of the federal government's Columbia river reclamation and power program on the salmon industry, characterized it as a poor business proposition, and urged that no more dams be built. He said the salmon industry, support of approximately 12,000 persons, is in danger of being ruined by the Columbia river project, and at the same time is not paying its own way. The salmon business is worth from 10 millions to 12 millions a year, Finley said, and has been seriously damaged by a project that cost between 200 and 300 millions. He said the latter investment will require 50 years for repayment.

Finley and J. N. "Ding" Darling of Des Moines, Ia., collaborated in a discussion for plans to strengthen the newly organized general wildlife federation.

HIT TEACHERS' OATH LAWS

New York.—Opposition to the assumption by the federal government of any authority over education and compelling teachers to take oaths of allegiance was voiced by the Catholic Education association. The association expressed its stand on both subjects in a resolution which was unanimously adopted.

The resolution described as a "step in a dangerous direction," laws to force teachers to take oaths of allegiance to the government, "asserting that 'the logical eventuality will be state monopoly of schools and an education based on political indoctrination.'" In reiterating its opposition to federal control of education, the association asserted "we are opposed to the creation of a federal department of education or any mechanism that would amount to the same thing."

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CLARK, PROUDFIT NAMED

A retabulation of the unofficial count of votes in the 348 precincts of the First district for delegates to the democratic national convention showed Clarence L. Clark and George E. Proudfit will be the delegates. The recheck showed Clark 10,742, Proudfit 9,619, Earl Marvin of Beatrice, 8,577 and John Rohrig of Lincoln, 7,661. An error involving 700 votes was found in the Butler county returns. In the First district race for republican national delegate the recheck showed: Harry A. Spencer of Lincoln 12,253, Loren H. Laughlin of Lincoln 12,225, Allen W. Field of Lincoln 10,416 and Daniel W. Cook of Beatrice 10,019.

Attorney General to Probe Coupon Suit

Bonds, Deposits Show a Loss of \$137,000 in Former Treasurer Stebbins' Term.

Lincoln, Neb.—Attorney General William E. Wright Friday assigned Edwin Vail, assistant attorney general, to determine whether former state treasurer W. M. Stebbins of Gothenburg should be sued for approximately 140 thousand dollars of losses to the state shown in an audit filed Friday.

The Hanson Audit company of Fremont, checking all treasury records back to 1927 under a special appropriation of the 1935 legislature, said Stebbins permitted the state to lose \$5,819 in bond deals and approximately 132 thousand dollars in unsecured deposits in banks that failed.

Auditors Urge Legal Action. The auditors specifically recommended a suit on the bond transaction and said Stebbins violated the law in not requiring security for the bank deposits.

Vail won a 56 thousand dollar judgment against former state treasurer T. W. Bass, his bond clerk and their sureties, in the Lancaster county district court last year on a case almost identical with the bond deals the auditors said Stebbins permitted. Bass and the other nominal defendants were given a judgment, in turn, against Wachob-Bender company, Omaha.

Await Bass Outcome. Bass and other parties in that suit have appealed to the Nebraska supreme court, and Vail and Wright are not expected to decide what to do in Stebbins' case until the tribunal rules on the Bass litigation. Stebbins was state treasurer from 1927 to 1931.

Coupons Clipped. The audit indicated the bond losses resulted from carelessness or ignorance, not intentional favoritism. The deals were on bonds bought for the state school fund. In most cases, the seller of the bonds was entitled before delivering them to clip some of the interest coupons, representing interest accrued before the sale. But in many cases, the auditors said, Stebbins permitted the sellers to clip too many coupons, resulting in a total loss to the state of \$8,819.

In other cases, Stebbins collected too many coupons, giving the state \$3,966.50 more than it deserved. The net loss to the state, the report disclosed, was \$4,853, but since not all of the gains and losses involved the same sellers, the exact amount Stebbins could be sued for was not indicated.

Omaha Firm Gained. Most of the gains were at the expense of school districts and other governmental subdivisions which sold bonds directly to the state.

As in the Bass case, the chief beneficiary of the mistakes, according to the audit was the Wachob, Bender company. This company, the auditors said, clipped \$8,164 of excess coupons, failed to clip \$605 of coupons it deserved, making a net gain of \$7,559. The Omaha National and United States National banks of Omaha were the next biggest gainers.

KING LEOPOLD THREATENED

Brussels.—Police charged Nicholas Eisen, 31, a former convict, was the author of letters to King Leopold in which the monarch was threatened with death and his three motherless children with kidnapping. Eisen, who police said confessed the abduction plot, was held at Liege after an investigation carried on secretly for several weeks.

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MURDOCK ITEMS

Miss Blanche Anderson visited at the home of her parents near Greenwood over Easter.

John Gakemeier has disposed of the auto he has owned for some time past, purchasing a new Ford V-8.

George Kruse visited relatives in Clay Center, Nebraska, over Easter, returning to Murdock Sunday night.

Miss Lillian Ringenberg, of Eustis, is visiting in Murdock, as a guest of her friends, Misses Helen and Elva Bornemeier.

Miss Violet Johnson spent Easter with home folks at Aurora, Nebraska, returning to her work in school here on Sunday evening.

Henry Caisson spent Easter Sunday at Havelock, where he visited and enjoyed a fine Easter dinner with his mother, Mrs. Mary Caisson.

Merideth Weddell, who is employed in Lincoln was down last Sunday to visit with the folks and found his father feeling rather poorly.

Miss Loretta Ruge and Daniel Ruge returned to North Central college, at Naperville, Illinois last Monday after spending their Easter vacation with home folks.

Chris Backemeyer, of Elmwood, manager of the T. W. Engle interests there, was in Murdock assisting in the care of the business here for a short time last Wednesday.

John Busche, one of the tollmen stationed at the Louisville bridge, was a business visitor in Murdock last Wednesday afternoon and enjoyed meeting many of his friends in this vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Shively and son Richard and Mr. and Mrs. John J. Weber of Omaha attended the E. L. C. E. drama, "The Half of My Goods," at the Murdock church Easter Sunday evening.

A number of relatives and friends who were in Elmwood last week to attend the funeral of Herman Dittmann, came over to Murdock for a visit at the homes of Will Zabel and Fred Stock Sr., also relatives.

Bert Winget of South Bend was delivering corn to the feed yards of Low Rikli to be used in feeding the cattle of the latter. Mr. Rikli has a large number on feed and it takes a lot of corn to get them ready for market.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rikli were pleased when their daughter, who is employed by the Harley Drug company of Lincoln, came home to spend Easter day with them, bringing two of her employer's little sons with her.

Mathew and Victor Thimgan are building a new home for a farmer west of Ashland, driving back and forth to and from their work. With the good weather that has been prevailing they are making excellent progress with their work.

Grandma Henrietta Schweppe, living with her son Herman, east of Murdock, is realizing a little improvement in her prolonged illness of three months. With the coming of warm weather, her many friends hope for a speedy recovery.

The annual Woman's Missionary Society program will be given at the Murdock church Sunday evening, April 26th, at 8:00 p. m. Two plays and special musical numbers will be leading features of the evening by this women's organization.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Guehstorff and family, Mrs. Barbara Goetz and her sister, Mrs. Geehry, of Lincoln; Glenn Bowman and Rev. Harvey A. Schwab and family were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Luetchens Easter Sunday.

Edward Ganaway was called to Lincoln last Sunday on account of the serious illness of his daughter, Mrs. O. H. Robson, who was taken to the hospital. When Mr. Ganaway came away the daughter was resting more easily, but was still in a very serious condition.

I. C. McCrorey was in Plattsmouth last Tuesday evening about midnight, going over to take the election returns to the office of County Clerk George Sayles. He was accompanied by Joan W. Kruger and they did not get home until the wee small hours of the morning.

Charles Kupke and wife were in Omaha on Easter day, where they visited at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Martin Johnson and husband. They remained over Monday and Tuesday and assisted in the planting of a garden for the Johnson family, returning home Tuesday evening.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Ayres was blessed by the arrival of a son one day last week. The grandfathers, Charles Ayres and Joseph Vickers are especially pleased and are trying to outdo each other in the matter of seeing who can smile the broadest.

Reports from Hot Springs, where I. G. Hornbeck has been for some time taking treatment, are to the ef-

fect that he is getting along nicely. He expects to remain for some time yet, completing the entire course of 21 baths, when he hopes to be fully restored to health.

Easter was a day of pleasure at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tool, with a large family gathering and a most delicious Easter dinner. Those present included the George Work family of Omaha and the W. P. Meyers family of Sioux City. Meadames Work and Meyers being daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Tool.

G. V. Pickwell, who has been enjoying the mild climate of the southwest at Los Angeles, returned home Sunday and was much pleased to see the old town and his many old friends again. Mr. Pickwell says he enjoyed his stay very much and certainly he escaped one of the most rigorous winters this part of the country has ever known.

Alfred Rikli, who has been making his home in Enid, Oklahoma, for some time, was home for a brief visit a short time since, coming up with Mrs. (Grandmother) A. A. Rikli, who was returning home from a visit in the south. After visiting here over the week end, he hastened back to his work in the south, where he is employed as salesman in a large department store.

William N. McCrorey, who lives at Mound City, Missouri, was a visitor with friends and relatives here for a few days during the past week, being a guest at the home of his brother, I. C. McCrorey here, as well as at the home of another brother, Marion McCrorey of Elmwood and two sisters who make their homes in this part of the country. He left orders to have the Journal mailed to him at his home in Missouri.

Harry O. Eastman of Colorado, arrived in Murdock last week and after visiting for the rest of the week here with relatives, accompanied by his wife and two sons, who had been here for a longer time, left for their home at Sterling, Colorado, on Easter morning. Mrs. Eastman and the boys had been guests at the home of her mother, Mrs. Hannah McDonald for several weeks, meeting many of the old friends during her stay here.

"The Half of My Goods"

The Murdock E. L. C. E. climaxed the Easter Day of Victory with the presentation of an Easter drama, "The Half of My Goods." The cast was composed of John Schlaphof, Martha Schweppe, Ruth Ruge, Bernice Oehlerking, Willard Rosenow, Roland Rikli and Morris Reichart, all of whom endeavored to give a note of triumph to their message Easter evening.

Operation for Appendicitis

Miss Martha Oehlerking, a student nurse in the Evangelical Covenant hospital at Omaha, was operated on last Monday morning in Omaha for appendicitis. She is recovering nicely and expects to come to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. August Oehlerking, near Murdock, soon, for a full recovery.

Shower for Bride

Forty friends and relatives of Mrs. Glenn Harger gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heineman on Saturday afternoon, April 11, 1936, for a miscellaneous shower on Mrs. Harger, a bride of three days. She

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received many beautiful and useful gifts. Mrs. Henry Heineman and Mrs. William Rikli, aunts of the bride, served a delicious luncheon.

New Church Members

Vernon J. Johnson, William F. Vogt and Marie E. Vogt joined the Louisville Evangelical church April 12, on confession of faith.

Naomi R. Rikli, Donald M. Rikli and Phoebe Jean Eisele joined the Murdock church on confession of faith, while August Wilken, Mr. and Mrs. Emil H. Miller, Clark Miller, Maxine Miller, Mr. and Mrs. William Zabel and Arlyne Zabel joined in Murdock by membership transfers.

W. T. Weddell Very Sick

During the latter part of the week before Easter, W. T. Weddell, manager of the T. W. Engle lumber business in Murdock, was taken suddenly ill, although he had been in rather poor health for some time and found it difficult to remain on the job.

When his condition became serious he was taken to the Bryan Memorial hospital in Lincoln for observation and treatment and will be there for some time. The folks were over last Sunday to see him, finding him suffering a great deal, but very cheerful, nevertheless.

Are to Have Concerts

Murdock is looking forward to a series of concerts by its band and orchestra through the summer season. On Friday night of last week, an auction sale, supper and entertainment was given to raise money to help secure money to meet the expense of instruction for the band. There was a good crowd present at the supper and sale and a neat sum was raised for the furtherance of the work of providing instruction.

Purchases Estate Property

The George Merkle estate, which was inherited by the three daughters of the deceased, Mesdames William E. Rikli, O. E. Koeling and Bertha Heinemann, has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Heinemann, who have been occupying the place for some time. This will make Mr. and Mrs. Heinemann an excellent home.

Left Bolt on the Inside

Frank Dean was making some repairs to his car that necessitated taking the motor apart, and when he replaced the parts, he found one short bolt missing. In trying it out, he discovered the bolt was on the inside, he shut it off before any great damage was done. A little daughter desiring to assist had evidently misplaced the bolt. So the work had to be done over.

William Bourke Improving

William Bourke, who was so seriously injured in an auto wreck a couple of weeks ago, is still confined to his bed. However, he has been able to get considerable of his assessing work done for Elmwood precinct. Many of the people of Murdock and vicinity have come to his room to turn in their reports and so the work has not been delayed. It is hoped that Mr. Bourke will be able to get out in the near future, when he can go ahead and complete the job. In the meantime, all who desire can aid him greatly by calling at his room, enabling him to get the bulk of it done before he is able to be around.

Callahan Church Notes

F. C. Weber, Pastor

You can not use power and still have nothing. You can not live in harmony with the God law and be a failure. The cards do not lie that way. You can not fall into the Pacific ocean without getting wet. Neither can you fall into the ocean of the love and power of God without getting this love and power all over you. It beats down every enemy. It defeats every disaster. Though we travel the world over to find the beautiful, we must carry it with us or we find it not. Know ye not that ye are the temples of God and that the Spirit of God dwelleth within you?

Cass County Does Her Portion

Whenever the need arises, Cass county can be depended upon to do her part to help provide food for the world or succor those in distress. The recent flood disaster in the east brought a call through Red Cross channels for the furnishing of aid to the distressed people of that part of the country.

The response was prompt and a total of \$247 has been received by the county Red Cross treasurer, Mrs. Henry A. Tool, a draft for the entire amount having been forwarded to Red Cross officials now administering aid in the flood areas for use in such manner as it will do the most good.

Contributions came from the dif-

ferent branches over the county as follows:

Alvo, \$26.00; Cedar Creek, \$3.00; Eagle, \$41.00; Elmwood, \$28.00; Greenwood, \$4.00; Manley, \$10.00; Murray, \$10; Murdock, \$8.00; Myrard, \$15.00; Nohawka, \$20.00; Plattsmouth \$100.00; Union \$12.00; Weeping Water, \$11.00. Total of \$247.00 which was received and forwarded by Mrs. Henry A. Tool, treasurer.

Purchase Site for Well

Arrangements have been concluded for the purchase of the site of the former business house of William Gehrts on the east side of Main street, where the well and pumping station for the new waterworks system will be located. The ground was purchased from the Shrader estate. Being centrally located, it will provide a good place for the pumping station and it is said a good supply of water can be secured at a moderate depth at this point.

The centrifugal pump will be operated by an electric motor, requiring a minimum of attention. Automatic controls will stop and start the pump as the water in the stand pipe reaches certain levels, thus insuring good pressure at all times.

Seven Baptisms

The Louisville Evangelical church witnessed a beautiful baptismal service Easter morning when Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Oehlerking and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brand had their little rose-buds dedicated to Jesus Christ. Marvin Carl Oehlerking was born on February 8, 1936, and Eleanor Henrietta Brand on January 12, 1936.

The Murdock Evangelical church rejoiced to see five baptisms Easter morning when Mr. and Mrs. August Wilken and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Rase presented their children at the altar of the church for holy baptism and dedication. Warren Richard Wilken was born January 11, 1935; Robert Dale Rase, March 6, 1930; Donald Eugene Rase, November 19, 1929; Betty Colleen Rase, June 4, 1931, and Willis Dean Rase, August 29, 1932.

Silver Wedding Anniversary

The 25th wedding anniversary celebration for Mr. and Mrs. August Ruge on April 10th at their home, was a great success. Relatives and friends gathered early in the evening down town and then went to the home of the bride and groom as a body to surprise Mrs. Mary Ruge.

One hundred guests listened to a well prepared program given by nieces and nephews and brothers-in-law. Rev. Harvey A. Schwab led in the devotional period and stressed the fact that, during the past twenty-five years, God had led the devoted couple and blessed them with health, material comforts, three devoted children (who are preparing themselves in schools for larger service) and has also given them many spiritual victories.

"Blest be the Tie that Binds" was sung, and then the Rev. F. C. Weber contributed appropriate remarks for the occasion. After a social time, in which young and old enjoyed themselves, a sumptuous luncheon was served.

The couple of a quarter of a century ago were the recipients of many beautiful gifts and congratulations.

Rock Island Officials Here

Wednesday of last week a group of Rock Island railway officials were visiting in Murdock as well as at other towns along their line between the Colorado state line and Omaha.

Community Sale

to be held at Pavilion on paved highway No. 75, 1/2 mile north of Platte river, at LaPlatte, Neb., on

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In Murdock they visited the business section and also called on some of the farmers of this vicinity. Their mission is to reclaim some of the business which has been slipping away in recent years, going to the busses and trucks.

Among those in the party that called here were W. H. Dick, superintendent, Fairbury; E. P. Hennessy, of Omaha, division freight agent; F. Nugent, trainmaster, L. J. Hughes, division engineer and C. Keller, roadmaster, Fairbury; J. N. Hunt and A. D. Martin, passenger traffic representative, both of Omaha.

They presented a statement of the amount paid out in Cass county during the past year for taxes and wages, totaling \$20,268.35. Of this sum, \$3,257.57 went for taxes. In Alvo their payroll was \$4,941.89, in Murdock, \$1,845.98, in South Bend, \$6,704.25 and in Louisville, \$4,873.95. The roads claim they should be getting a good share of the business in this territory and are out to retrieve some of the lost business in all lines of traffic, freight and passenger.

It is a well known fact that the burden of taxation falls heavily on the railroads of the nation. In years gone by, when they were doing almost all the hauling this was an easy bill to meet, but now with taxes increasing almost every year and now at a high peak, while their business has fallen off, it takes a large portion of their operating income to meet the bill, leaving little if any for the stockholders.

Western roads have inaugurated such improved methods as pick-up and delivery service on freight at their various stations, greater passenger accommodations, etc., in an effort to win back lost business, and unless they are able to do so, stand a chance of going bankrupt themselves, which would be somewhat analogous to the killing of the goose that laid the golden egg, from when they cease paying taxes, the burden will fall just that much heavier on the individual home owner and others who pay taxes.

SUFFERED INJURED ARM

From Thursday's Daily

William E. Renish of Omaha was in the city last evening to look after his insurance business for a short time. Mr. Renish was accompanied by his father, who was serving as driver, W. E. having suffered an injury to his arm a few days ago in an auto smashup at Omaha.

New British Prime Minister?



Neville Chamberlain



Stanley Baldwin

Chancellor of the Exchequer Neville Chamberlain, left, is mentioned as a probable successor to Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin if reports materialize that Baldwin will resign as a prelude to "complete reconstruction of the government."