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Elmwood News

Dr. and Mrs. O. E. Liston spent the week end with a sister of the doctor and her family, in Kansas, returning home Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Rosenow were guests last Sunday at the home of a sister of Mrs. Rosenow, Mrs. J. F. Custin, who resides west of Murdock.

C. F. Harris, former county commissioner, who resides at Union, was a visitor in Elmwood Tuesday and enjoyed meeting many of his friends in this vicinity.

Mesdames Soren Petersen and Edwin Durrell of Alvo were visitors in Elmwood one day the past week, and while here had some work done by Henry Moilens, local shoemaker.

John Wood, who has been taking a vacation since severing his connection with the Ted Hall store, has accepted employment with the City Market, of Weeping Water, and is now working there.

James Gamble, veteran Stove Creek precinct farmer, is confined to his bed, from illness. Despite his advanced age, he is reported making satisfactory progress towards recovery, and friends hope he will soon be able to be up and around again.

Herman Penterman was in Weeping Water last Tuesday afternoon, where he passed the required eye test and secured his driving license, good for another two years. While he was away, Maurice was assisting his mother with the work at the store.

Mrs. Emily Gonzales and son Donald were guests last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Gonzales at their country home on the O street road west of the Elmwood corner. Other guests there that day were Mrs. Sadie Baker, John Welege and family and the family of Clark Gonzales, all of Crete.

J. P. Cobb, president of the American Exchange Bank and wife entertained H. A. Schneider and wife of Plattsmouth last Sunday. Mr. Schneider, who is president of the Plattsmouth State Bank and of the Nebraska State Bankers association, has just recently returned from a trip to the east, where he attended the National Bankers association convention.

Dies at Home in Lincoln
Henry Roelofs, age 92, a former resident of the vicinity of Elmwood and Alvo, passed away at his home in Lincoln, where he had resided for a number of years, last Sunday. The funeral was held at Alvo Thursday, with interment in the cemetery at that place.

Had Enjoyable Trip
The half dozen hunters, some of whom were from Elmwood, who went to Coleridge to hunt pheasants were rewarded by a very pleasant trip and some birds. Upon their arrival at Coleridge, they were joined by Chas. Melvin, brother-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Charles West. They had a very good day for hunting, but found the birds rather scarce and what there were had become very wild as a result of much hunting going on in

that vicinity for a week before. The seven hunters in the group bagged a total of nine birds, which they managed to divide in a very agreeable manner.

Those making up the party were Charles West and two sons, Kenneth and Shorty, Emmett Brockman, Eldro Patton and Art Remealey, the latter of Lincoln, and Charles Melvin of Coleridge.

Met with Serious Accident
Uncle James Christensen, who is well advanced past the four score age, while working about his home in Elmwood a few days ago, suffered a fall which caused the fracture of his hip. He has since been confined to his bed and it will be some time before he recovers from his injury.

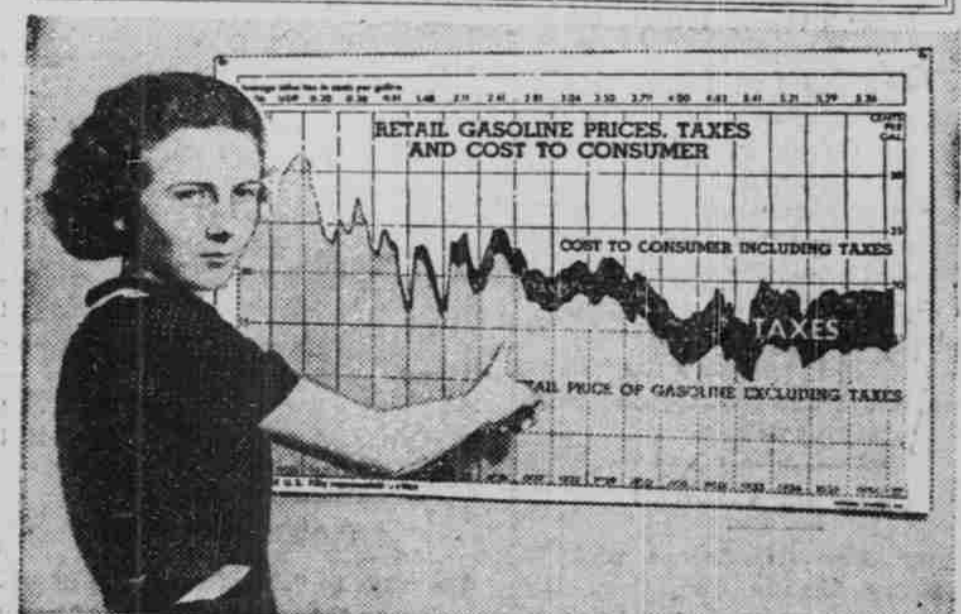
Making Repairs on Tank
The supply and service pipe leading from the ground to the Elmwood water tank, which has been protected from freezing by an insulated wooden casing, has been recovered the past week, as the tumber comprising the old casing had become badly rotted.

In extreme cold weather the best protection possible is needed to prevent freezing and unless a sizeable volume of water is kept going into the tank to replace that withdrawn, the tank itself freezes over, causing damage and creating a situation that is hard to remedy.

Secret of a Happy Marriage
This was the subject of the discourse which was given last Sunday evening by the Rev. E. M. Hawkins, pastor of the Elmwood Christian church as the third of the series of ten special sermons on successive Sunday nights. The church was crowded to capacity to hear this interesting discourse. The service for the coming Lord's day will be an Armistice service.

Applied the Brakes Too Fast
Ted Hall and Wallington Dennis, who were out for a ride in the Plymouth coupe of Dr. O. E. Liston, discovered that momentum is something to reckon with, especially the momentum of a car traveling at upwards of 90 miles an hour. As they were returning home, coming down the long grade a half mile south of town the car rolled along so smoothly that they did not realize the speed it had attained until Wallington glanced at the speedometer and found the needle hovering around the 92 mark. Ted immediately took steps to check the speed of the car, and applied the brakes, which are hydraulic and very sensitive. The result was that the car threw itself around like a wild bronco, careened and listed to the opposite side of the road, striking a large electric light pole and snapping it off about five feet above the ground, and then wrapped itself around the broken butt of the pole. It was most fortunate that both did not meet death. Ted escaped unhurt and Wallington suffered no greater injury than merely having his spine wrenched. The auto was pretty well damaged and was taken to Lincoln to be restored to its former usefulness.

Widening River of Taxation



GETTING HIGHER EVERY YEAR!—That black river, Miss Grace Lake learns from a statistical chart, shows that federal and state sales taxes now increase the cost of gasoline to the consumer by more than one-third, with the cost going higher every year. Chart also shows how gasoline prices have been out to half those of a few years ago, enabling families with modest incomes to use motor vehicles, and how growing taxes offset price economies. Estimated total cost of federal and state gasoline sales taxes for 1937 is close to \$1,000,000,000.

AVOCA NEWS

Oscar Zimmerer and his mother were visiting friends in Omaha over Sunday, driving up in Oscar's car.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Z. Thomas and family of Shenandoah spent Sunday with Mrs. Thomas' father, W. H. Bogaard.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Spencer, of Talmage, the latter a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Marquardt, was visiting here last Sunday.

Roy Pomroy and wife who has been visiting in Avoca for the past week departed last Thursday for their home near Cozad, where they are engaged in farming.

N. J. Everett and wife, of Omaha, were guests last Sunday with the mother of Mr. Everett, Mrs. Rachel Everett for the day, returning home early Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Anderson, the latter a daughter of Rev. J. M. Kokjer, were visiting for a few days at the Kokjer home, returning to their home at Bertrand the first of last week.

John Bucholz and wife are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine baby boy which arrived at their home one day last week. All concerned are doing nicely and joy reigns in the home.

Dr. J. W. Brendel and wife were called to Lincoln last Tuesday, Mrs. Brendel visiting with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Margaret Brendel while the doctor was looking after some business matters calling him there.

Elmer Hennings and wife were at Weeping Water last Tuesday, where they visited friends and both took advantage of the opportunity of being examined for their drivers' licenses without having to go to Plattsmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Hile and the family, who are farming near Beaver Crossing were guests over the week end at the home of the mother of Mrs. Hile, Mrs. Caroline Marquardt, and returned to their home Monday.

Last Sunday Verne Rawalt, who is a student at the University of Nebraska, visited at the home of his mother, Mrs. Emma Rawalt and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Marquardt, and was accompanied by two school pals, Keith Vogt and Larry Good.

Carl Maseman and wife, of Lincoln were visiting with friends and relatives in Avoca last Sunday, being guests at the homes of both Henry Maseman and William Maseman. They also made a visit at Nebraska City, where they spent a short time with friends.

Robert Michel and wife were called to Plattsmouth last week, where they had some business matters to look after. They had hoped to see Attorney W. A. Robertson, who with his family had been vacationing in the east, but did not find him in and were compelled to consult with another one.

Robert Michel, who has been hustling to get his corn picked while the weather continues good, succeeded in finishing up the job last Tuesday. Having a load more than his cribs would hold, he delivered it to the elevator of Mr. Marquardt in the car, thus getting the job wound up, his crib full and some revenue in his pocket.

E. H. Norris Little Better
E. H. Norris, who has been at the hospital in Lincoln for a number of weeks receiving treatment, is reported slightly better at this time. His son, Ernest Norris, was over to see the father last Tuesday and found him some better but suffering greatly. The condition has resulted in a blood clot forming on one little toe which became congested and gathered. The doctor concluded to allow the condition to remain, thinking this is the best way to proceed, as the breaking of the gathering would come naturally and not have the complications of an operation or the risk. However the waiting is very severe on the patient.

Passing Their Silver Wedding
On last Saturday night a number of friends of Mr. and Mrs. William Wolfe were at their home, where they celebrated the passing of the twenty-fifth wedding anniversary of this couple with a good time all around. A good supper was included in the evening's festivities.

A few days later another group of their friends arrived for a surprise, and the event was celebrated again.

Improved the Telephone Office
The Avoca telephone office building, which has been in poor condition as to the floor and foundation, was repaired and put in better condition early last week, which insures the building now being safer than before.

Attended Funeral of Grandmother
Mr. and Mrs. Ora Voyles departed



last Saturday for Nevada, Mo., where they went to attend the funeral of Mrs. Monroe Walker, who died suddenly near Weeping Water last week. Their four weeks old baby boy was left with Miss Mattie Voyles while they were away, and she proved a very competent nurse for the little man.

Avoca Has New Minister
The Rev. R. D. Hall, who has heretofore been engaged in the ministry in Minnesota, accepted a call to minister to the Avoca Congregational church and with the wife arrived here in time to conduct his first services on Sunday, October 17. Their household goods arrived Tuesday last week, being brought by a South Dakota trucker. When the trucker was passing through Union, and had come almost to a standstill, but was still moving, seeing the railroad crossing clear he drove across, only to be picked up by a man from Lancaster county, who has on one side of his car the wording, "Cass County Constable." The officer allowed the trucker to come on to Avoca, accompanying him, and filed charges against the trucker charging him with driving across a railroad track without stopping. The case was heard by Justice of the Peace J. M. Kokjer, who assessed a fine on the trucker which, including the costs, amounted to about \$11.00. The fine and costs were paid, but the trucker feels like shunning the state of Nebraska in the future. However, the laws of safety should be enforced. While the trucker from another state was ignorant of the law in this case, the old saying "Ignorance of the law excuses no one" was invoked and it cost him to learn of its provisions. Incidentally, it would be well for all drivers of cars, trucks and busses to take note of this provision of the law governing traffic across railroad tracks, for soon the state highway patrol will be in operation and this will be checked not only at one grade crossing but throughout the state.

CRANE SWINGS FATTEST MAN ABOARD LINER
LONDON (UP)—The world's fattest man, Barney Worth, 21, and his 23-year-old wife, Joy, who is striving for the title of the world's fattest woman, have arrived in London on their honeymoon.

Barney, who was born in Cookstown, Queensland, weighs 636 pounds, is 5 feet 9 inches tall and 6 feet 3 inches around the middle. His bride at the moment weighs 364 pounds. She used to weigh 524 when she was in a circus as the "Fattest Girl in the World," and before she went on a slimming diet. Now that she wants to team with her husband she is putting on 9 pounds a week in an effort to regain her former weight.

Worth's size makes it a little difficult for him to get through doors and into buses. When he sailed from Capetown to England, he had to be taken aboard the ship by a crane, and from Folkestone to London he had to ride in the baggage car.

Despite these difficulties, however, he and his bride enjoy life. Eating is a real pleasure to them. Their joint breakfast usually consists of a dozen eggs, three pounds of steak, two loaves of bread, four pounds of butter, one jar of jam, two pounds of sausages and half a gallon of tea. Other meals are in the same proportion.

FOUR ACES SCORED ON HOLE
ASHTABULA, O. (UP)—Four holes-in-one have been scored on the No. 4 hole at the Ashtabula country club this season. The hole is set high on a steep hill and calls for a high pitch shot to the green, which is invisible except for the flag marking the cup.

Walter H. Smith
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'Direction Finder' Useful in Treating Breaks

American College of Surgeons Hears Report on Device to Aid Treating of Hip Fractures.

CHICAGO, Oct. 29 (UP)—A new "direction finder" may remove some of the dangers now encountered in treating hip fractures, Dr. G. D. Engel, Philadelphia, reported to the final meeting of the American College of Surgeons today.

Hip fractures in the aged frequently heal imperfectly and sometimes even cause death. Broken bones have been nailed together to eliminate the old-time plaster casts, weights and pulleys. Extensive incisions have been necessary to direct the nail properly, but physicians have disliked making large incisions in aged patients because of resultant shock and chance of injuring muscles, Engel said.

The new "finder," designed by himself and Dr. Hans May, eliminates guesswork in guiding the nail, and at the same time makes extensive incisions unnecessary, Engel explained.

"Four hours after the operation we encourage the patient to make slight movements with the injured joint," the physician said. "In 48 hours we allow them to sit in a wheel chair and in four weeks they may use crutches. First real weight is placed on the hip in from five to six weeks."

The operation, he said, may be performed in about 20 minutes.

A one and one-half inch incision is made in the thigh, paralleling the injured femur or hip bone. A steel "pin" leads from the bone to the fin-shaped aluminum gauge or "finder," which allows the operator to sight along both the perpendicular and horizontal plane.

The gauge is made of two plates at right angles to each other at the incision. X-ray plates determine when the gauge is in position and in what direction the nail is to be driven.

"Blind" nailing in which the operator used his own judgment on the direction of the nail, thus is eliminated.

Use of the nail provides greater opportunity for the broken bones to heal properly and does away with the two to three months confinement usually necessary, when casts and weights are used, Engel said.

Long confinement, he explained, disturbed normal functions and sometimes caused muscle atrophy or death.

Surgeons said cobalt alloy nail is being used more in preference to the stainless steel one which caused bone absorption.

Dr. Howard C. Hagsiger, San Francisco, was elected president for 1938-39, and Drs. Vernon C. David, Chicago, and Fraser B. Gurd, Montreal, were named first and second vice presidents.

Nominating committee members named were: Felix P. Miller, El Paso; Howard H. Hepburn, Edmon- ton; Charles E. Kahike, Chicago; Grant C. Madill, Ogdensburg, N. Y., and Grover C. Penberthy, Detroit.

LAUNDRY MEN TALK ABOUT 'PUFFER DUCKS'

CLEVELAND (UP)—Members of the Laundry Owners National Association, meeting here for their 54th annual convention, chattered glibly about such things as "puffer ducks," "bleeders" and "fugitives."

Puffer ducks, the laundrymen explained, are not birds. They are bulbous little gadgets, heated by steam, used for ironing out puffed or gathered sections of a garment.

A fugitive, they explained, is not an escaped prisoner. It's only a colored article in which the dye runs. When the color washes out and discolors something else, they call it a bleeder.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PRAISED

BERKELEY, Cal. (UP)—Dr. Johannes Hoops, professor of English language and literature at Heidelberg University, has become one of the outstanding proponents for English as the universal language. Esperanto, as an artificial language, and French as the diplomatic language, he declared, can never equal English.

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MURDOCK ITEMS

Walter Stroy was looking after business matters in Elmwood last Monday.

J. Johansen and wife spent the day last Sunday with friends in Ashland.

Frank Melvin has been placing a new roof on the residence of Mrs. John Scheel.

John Gakemeier was called to Lincoln Wednesday of last week to look after some business matters for the day.

A demonstration of feed grinding was held at the elevator last Wednesday, attended by a large number of farmers.

W. P. Sitzman and wife, of Plattsmouth, were looking after business matters in Murdock one day during the past week.

Walter Stroy, wife and children expect to leave in the near future for Oregon, where they will reside in the future.

Robert Emmons of Lincoln was a visitor in Murdock last Monday and Tuesday, a guest at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Zabel.

Leo Rikkl was confined to his bed a good portion of last week due to the flu. By the end of the week he was able to be about again, however.

Mrs. Almy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schewe, came down from her home in Omaha to visit a few days with her parents during the past week.

Mathew Thingan and son Victor went to Kansas City last week after a truck load of hard wood flooring to be laid in a new house they are building.

Frank Melvin, who with Bryan McDonald, have just completed the construction of a corn crib near Ashland was painting the structure during the latter part of last week.

While Otto Miller was looking after business at the Murdock elevator, Henry Carsen, the manager, who is better known as "Slats," was in Omaha attending a meeting of grain dealers.

John Kupke of near South Bend was calling on friends in Murdock last Wednesday and also looked after business matters. He enjoyed a fine visit with his old friend, W. T. Weddell.

T. A. Engle and wife of Auburn, owners of the Murdock lumber yard, were in Murdock last Wednesday, at which time Mr. Engle was consulting with their local manager, W. T. Weddell.

Charles Schafer was called to Elmwood last Wednesday to look after some business in the oil line, as he is the representative of the Trunkenbolz Oil company, which has stations in each town.

Miss Ione Weddell was at Wahoo a few days last week, where she enjoyed visiting with her friend, Mrs. Wayne Edgar, formerly Miss Wilma Panska. The girls enjoyed a very fine visit together.

County Sheriff Homer Sylvester and his deputy, Cass Sylvester, were called to Manley and Murdock to look after some infractions of the law, and visited a number of towns in this vicinity in search of suspected parties.

John Schlaphoff has been under the weather with a cold and an attack of flu which has kept him from his work for a number of days and that just at a time when he is much interested in getting the fall work out of the way.

Bryan McDonald was called to Lincoln Tuesday of last week, where he was looking after business matters for the afternoon. During the time he was away, business at the store was looked after by his mother, Mrs. Hannah McDonald.

While Merle Gillespie, the mail messenger, was looking after the post office last Wednesday, the postmaster, Roy Gortney, was home getting in some wood during the fine weather so as not to be out of fuel when the winter sets in.

Many of the people of Murdock and the surrounding territory were over to Oscar Domingo's near Weeping Water, where he was holding an auction sale of calves which were being sold to members of the Boys' Club. All the animals offered for sale were bought to be fed and shown

at the fairs next year. James Miller and two sons were there and purchased two very fine calves.

Rev. and Mrs. C. Jannen, of Elmwood, where the Rev. Jannen is pastor of the Evangelical church, were visiting in Murdock last Wednesday afternoon and were guests of their daughter, Mrs. Henry Amgwert, enjoying a very fine visit with the folks here.

Henry Brockmiller, of Waverly, father of Mrs. J. H. Buck, was spending last Sunday here at the home of the daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Muenchau of Eagle were also here for the day. Mrs. Muenchau is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buck and a granddaughter of Mr. Brockmiller.

Al Bauer, who has been making his home at Lincoln with a daughter, was in Murdock for a short time Tuesday and was telling of a trip which he had just made through the north-west in which he touched Wyoming, Colorado, Idaho and Montana, seeing much of the great country in that section.

Last Day of Exams Here
At the examinations held for applicants for drivers' licenses last Monday, John L. Stamp, the examiner, was kept busy, with a total of 191 taking their tests that day. Before that 390 had been examined at this point, bringing the total here to almost 600. Last Monday was the final day for the examiner to be here, and those who failed to contact him on these visits will now have to go to Plattsmouth to be examined for a renewal of their drivers' licenses.

Purchased Club Calves
Warren, Donald and Vernon Rikkl, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Rikkl, attended the calf sale of Oscar Domingo last Tuesday, being accompanied by their father Leo Rikkl. Each of the sons purchased a fine calf, to be fed during the coming year and exhibited at the county and state fairs and the Ak-Sar-Ben live stock show.

Schools Have Vacation
The students of the Murdock school were in high glee Thursday and Friday because the teachers' convention took the teachers out of town and with no teachers there was no school and they could play out of doors, enjoying the fine weather to the limit.

Put on Excellent Entertainment
The grades of the Murdock schools presented their play, "Punch and Judy," on which they had been rehearsing for some time, last Tuesday evening. There was a good attendance and considerable money was raised to equip the rooms with various needed articles for which no provision is made through regular channels. The play was enjoyed and brought forth peals of uproarious laughter as funny incidents followed each other in rapid order.

Sewing for Mission
The ladies of the Murdock Evangelical church met last Thursday at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Harvey A. Schwab, doing some sewing during the afternoon of goods which were to be sent to the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky. The ladies have been showing much interest in this mission which is situated in the mountains of Kentucky, where there is a great need for garments of various kinds.

Third Attempt is Successful
With the dry weather of the last few years and a general drying up of subsoil moisture, Henry Schuster found his water supply diminishing rapidly and was forced to do something to provide water for his stock. Trying a new well, he found no water, and so another was sunk with like success—or rather failure. The third attempt, however, brought an abundance of water, this well being sunk by Roy Stuart of Alvo. Henry now swears by Roy as a marvel in getting water.

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