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AMELIA NEWS

Mrs. Vern Sageser returned home from Council Bluffs Saturday morning on the train. She had been with her mother, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wickham spent Sunday afternoon and evening in the Alford James home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Small and family were Sunday dinner guests in the Lawrence Barnett home.

Rae Dee Wickham spent the weekend with the Asa Matson girls.

Mrs. Vernon Sparkes and Lonnie spent Saturday night and Sunday with Gertie and Joan Adair.

Mrs. Mamie Sammons and

Mrs. Hazel Ott went with Mrs. Asa Matson and girls to Grand Island Thursday.

Mrs. Ralph Rees gave a talk at the Amelia school Friday afternoon on articles made in China.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fullerton and family were Sunday dinner guests in the Harold Fullerton home.

Mrs. Lawrence Barnett treated the small Amelia school room to cake and jello Wednesday afternoon, it being her daughter's birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dexter, Ben Turk and Ed Coolidge were Sunday dinner guests in the Raymond Bly home.

Rev. and Mrs. Floyd Mason, and Mr. Hankins, of Ravenna, visited Rev. Wesley Hankins over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jungman and the Lloyd Clemens family spent Sunday at Milton Clemens'.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnston were Sunday visitors at the Silas Johnston home.

GIRL SCOUT NEWS

The Irish Lassies Girl Scout troop had its last first aid class Sunday. Dr. W. F. Finley complimented us on our good attendance. We will have our examination next Sunday, and will then know how many of us will be awarded our first aid badges the following Sunday.

After our first aid class, we had our usual meeting with flag salute, patriotic songs, and roll call. We made plans for a hike and weiner roast to be held on May 4, if it is not raining.

Our investiture ceremony is planned for Sunday, May 11. Our new Girl Scouts will be able to attend, and any other girls who would like to be Girl Scouts will be welcome. We hope our mothers will all come, too.

—Suzaane Moss, Troop Scribe

Mrs. M. B. Marcellus and children went to visit Mrs. Marcellus' mother, Mrs. George Robertson, of Springfield, who is a patient in the Stuart hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert E. DeGross Friday entertained their son, Gerald, and his wife, Mrs. DeGross and their new baby, of Atkinson. Mrs. B. B. Kelly also accompanied the younger DeGrosses.

Mrs. D. D. DeBolt visited in Neligh Sunday her mother, Mrs. Sophia Lusnet, who fell and broke her ankle.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Corkle Sunday visited Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Harper.



ENVOY TO IRELAND

George A. Garrett, of Washington, D. C., investment broker, has been named by President Truman as new U. S. minister to Ireland. He will succeed David Gray, who recently retired.



BENITO'S SLAYER?

Walter Audiso, known in wartime partisan circles as "Col. Valerio," is shown as he told 10,000 Communists how he personally executed Benito Mussolini and Clara Petachi.



GOLF WINNER

Jimmy Demaret, 35, of Ajai, Calif., the former Texas crooner, won the 11th masters golf championship for the second time. His score for the 72 holes was 281, seven under par.

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PRAIRIELAND ... TALK

By ROMAIN SAUNDERS ATKINSON Route 5

LINCOLN — The defeat in committee of the proposed sales tax inspired a Lincoln editorial writer to the venture—some guess as to what Nebraska voters had in mind in rejecting the school amendment. He credits the rejection of the sales tax to "the thought on the part of some members that the voters had given the legislature a mandate to avoid a sales tax when they overwhelmingly rejected the state school aid amendment." Then he remarks: "Actually the voters did nothing of the sort."

Is that so? If you favored the sales tax you could say that? Then another evidence of prophetic wisdom tells that the voters were "against approaching the question of a sales tax obliquely." Out there in my precinct there were no abstruse or "oblique" ideas about a sales tax being wrapped up in an amendment package but the men and women aligned their sights and whaled away at dead center—and they knew what they were shooting at.

It was A. D. '66. He was about to be led from the dungeon out beyond the wall of old Rome; the swish of the sword and his venerable head rolled from the execution block. Shortly before he had thrown out the warning, "In the last days perilous times shall come." Paul, here they are. A top-heavy civilization has overloaded itself with dangerous things, piled up elements of destruction that in a moment blows mankind and his works into kingdom come without an instant warning to take to the tall timber. Texas as City was the latest—unless something worse happens before this is printed—to be visited by a disaster of appalling horror. Disasters follow disasters, the angry crash of explosions, forces of nature roaring with the breath of death and devastation, and the skull and cross bones riding at the steering wheel. But why expatiate on the ruins spattered with human blood and greased with human flesh? The ministrations of the Salvation Army and other organizations as well as the individual responses to mitigate the suffering are the only hopeful signs of the "perilous times." And there is little assurance of safety in the mad whirl of the age only as repose of soul is found in spiritual assurance.

In the 10 years of social security payments by industry and labor it is said that nine billion dollars has been received as a trust fund by the federal government. Two percent of the Nation's payroll produces a sizeable fund. Of this sum a billion and a half dollars has been paid to retired workers under what is termed an "old age and survivor's insurance." The seven and a half billion dollars that should have been paid to retired workers has been "borrowed" by the government and spent for other purposes. A magazine writer recently branded this sort of government manipulation as dishonest. Nebraska citizens think the same of the transfer of money paid by taxpayers for a specific purpose to another fund. If a hapless joke would abscond with four bits of U. S. funds he'd have the FBI after him.

Why spend a lot of money and years of study acquiring a trade or profession? Get a two dollar spade and dig ditches at \$1.50 an hour.

Just how reliable is the notion of "worn out land?" Just what help comes from spreading fertilizer on crop lands? Trees develop and bear fruit from season to season without the aid of manure and grass repeats itself from year to year with no encouragement through artificial means. The notion prevails that the fertility of the soil becomes exhausted and requires a coat of fertilizer. Soil is by no agency in producing growing things. Sunlight, air, rain and even moonbeams play a part; and the efficiency for these agencies are not renewed by any contrivance of men. The ancient Hebrews renewed the fertility of the soil by the simple expedient of letting it lie idle once in seven years and the ox teams with their swarthy drivers having a year's vacation. In this strenuous and grasping period of agriculture a fellow would be counted pretty lazy if he did not work his fields for a year.

Gov. Blue told a crowd of wild-eyed unionists that the Iowa legislature was not a rubber stamp for any executive or pressure group. The union crowd had gone to the state house to bring pressure to bear against the passage of a measure to ban the closed shop. Unions having abandoned their legitimate field of activity and become more or less arrogant and insolent have incurred public disfavor and invited legislation to subdue them. The situation in England illustrates what happens when labor organizations take over government functions.

God knows the world is weighted with a burden of troubles without taking on a program of the busy-bodies who want to disrupt our time system by calendar changes embodied in H. R. 1242 and H. R. 1345, now in committee of the House of Representatives. Their scheme would do away with the weekly cycle that has flowed uninterrupted since time began.

The Lord knows most of our mothers are entitled to the little public tribute that comes their way, but who can say which is to be America's or Nebraska's state mother?

Marian Anderson, the queen of song and a giantess beside her accompanist, with regal bearing and matchless platform manner captivated a Lincoln throng that filled the university coliseum the night of April 15. The printed program occupied four pages of a six-page folder but admitted not a dull moment throughout the long evening. Instruments discourse "concord of sweet sound" but the human voice rolls a transcending charm unmatched in the realm of music.

Hitherto thrifty Norway negotiates a 10 million dollar loan in New York City, the world's treasure storehouse for cold cash.

After two great wars in the name of freedom not more than one-tenth of Earth's peoples are actually free.

Four peddlers at the door within an hour. Are old times on the way back?

I asked one of the workmen why an apparently substantial stone building on a busy corner was being torn down. "About to fall down," was the curt response. That was probably as good an answer as any to an inquisitive stranger, but it reminded me of the verbal observation of a friend who had watched the wrecking of a building. "They done gone tore down and throwed away more than I made in all my life," he said in a rich Texas drawl.

The action of the House committee on appropriations making a cut of 47 percent out of the funds for the interior department is cordially recommended to appropriation committees everywhere.

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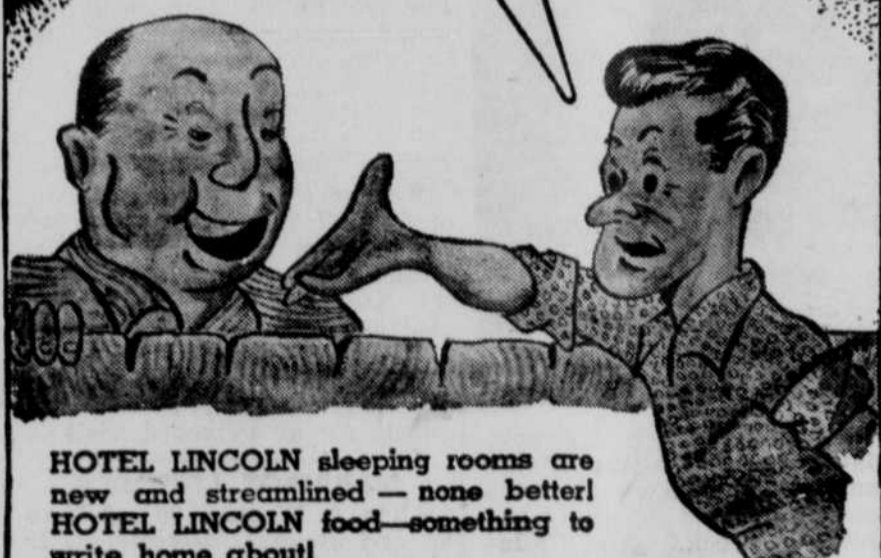
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