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### Ewing News

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Horde entertained the following guests at a 6 o'clock dinner on decoration day: Mr. and Mrs. Steven Shavlik of Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Switzer and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Gunter, Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Gunter and Verdel Gunter and family and sons, all of Ewing; Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Plog and family of Geneseo, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Nelson and family of Plainview and Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Hoke and children of Ewing.

Mrs. May Gemmill, accompanied by her son, Fay Gemmill, has arrived in Ewing to spend the summer at her home here. Mr. Gemmill will return to Lander after a short vacation from his duties at a creamery there.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Merchant and son, Richard, of Fremont were guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Harris. They also called at the William J. Harris and Carl Christon homes.

Mrs. Edna Loquest entertained the following guests at dinner on Sunday: Her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Browning of Madison; her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Miller, and Mrs. Alice Miller of Ewing. In the afternoon the party went to Orchard where they attended the 55th wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Browning.

Weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bergstrom were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bergstrom of Omaha and their son, Leonard Bergstrom of Los Angeles, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Borden of Washington, D.C., accompanied by their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Norvel Borden, who live in the East, are guests at the home of Mrs. Borden's sister, Miss Elizabeth Eggleston. The Borden made their home for many years in Ewing before moving to Washington, D.C.

A family picnic dinner was enjoyed by the Bergstrom family on decoration day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bergstrom in north Ewing. In attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bergstrom of Omaha, Leonard Bergstrom of Los Angeles, Calif., Mrs. Jessie Bittner and son, Clarence, of Plainview, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Munn and children and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bergstrom and family of Ewing. Afternoon guests were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Napier and children.

Richard Tanner, DN, of the navy from San Diego, Calif., is spending a 30-day leave at the home of his mother, Mrs. Cecil Bergstrom.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walker entertained the following guests at dinner on memorial day: Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Walker and family of Page, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker and family and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Graig and family, all of Norfolk.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baum, sr., Diane and David went to Lincoln on Sunday to spend the day with Henry Baum, jr., and their daughter, Miss Christine Baum. They had a picnic dinner at the Pioneer park, then spent a few hours at the Capitol beach and later visited Antelope park. Miss Christine, who is a student nurse at St. Catherine hospital, accompanied them home for a two weeks vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hobbs spent decoration day at O'Neill. Lowell Jensen and Duane Hobbs are employed at Portland, Ore. The boys are touring the country, working in various localities as they pass through.

Johnny Binkerd from Lackland air base, Tex., was a 6 o'clock dinner guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Angus on Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Angus met their son, A/3c Maxie D. Angus, at Grand Island on Friday. He spent the weekend with them. He is stationed at the F. E. Warren air base in Wyoming.

### State Capitol News

## Unicam Breaks All Records

LINCOLN—The legislature this week fretted and strained as typing, correction and amendment work on its bills held the group away from final adjournment.

But as the session broke all records for length and number of bills passed, the members could tick off the achievements in what had been a long, hard, controversial session.

"At least they can't call us a do-nothing session," remarked one senator. And Governor Robert Crosby, who didn't get very far with his legislative proposals, had words of praise for the session.

"This legislature has distinguished itself in refusing to duck problems. They've hit every one of them—taxation, assessment, university, highways. You might not agree with their solutions in every case but you have to admit they actually did something," Crosby said admiringly.

The governor said that what made him happiest was that it begins to look like the state will take less in property taxes this year than last. Crosby has consistently preached a policy of "restraint" in government spending.

Crosby said that two other factors besides "restraint" had to be given credit. One was that there were favorable balances in the various departments.

The other, said the governor, was that the legislature budget committee, held down increases for most departments.

This was a bit different tack from a speech the governor made over the radio some weeks ago in which he wished the budget committee had been able to hold appropriations down closer to his recommendations. That speech didn't go over well at all with Sen. Arthur Carmody of Trenton, the committee chairman, and other committee members.

A study he had made showed that the budget committee stuck to his recommendations in all but 12 cases, the governor said.

This legislature has set new records all over the place. Such as most bills introduced, 594, or 43 more than the previous unicameral record set in 1937. Or days in session. This was virtually certain to be topped. The old unicameral record was set in 1939, when the legislature met until June 7, for a total of 111 legislative days. The 1953 group had met 102 days even before memorial day.

the budget, that which comes from property tax dollars, is expected to be down from the required two years ago. The figure last biennium was \$58 million.

As George Syas of Omaha, a member of the budget committee, took pains to point out, the total budget includes such things as money from ticket sales to University of Nebraska football games, as well as tuition fees and revenues from taxes, not to mention all the federal money allocated to Nebraska state agencies to spend.

Unchanged—But huge as it seemed, the budget bill stood like the Rock of Gibraltar against any attempts to change it.

This was largely a tribute to budget committee chairman, Arthur Carmody of Trenton and his group. In fact, the legislators warmly applauded Carmody as he finished reading his budget message.

But more than empty words of praise came from the legislators as they stood by the Carmody budget and refused to change any of it. Sen. Dwight Burney of Hartington tried to alter it—once to increase the safety patrol appropriation by \$125,000 and later to scissor \$500,000 off the University of Nebraska's \$15 million general fund allocation. But the senators would have none of it.

Carmody explained that his budget—like all government budgets—was a compromise between what the agencies think they need to do their work properly and, on the other hand, what the taxpayers can stand. The Trenton senator said that another factor his committee kept in mind this year was "the end of the inflationary spiral," signalled by falling farm prices and other signs of a leveling-off of the economy.

Schools—Not joining too loudly in the chorus of praise, however, was State Superintendent F. B. Decker.

The school legislature passed a number of laws improving the school situation. Decker felt they ducked the key to the whole problem—reorganization.

The nearest thing to it was a watered down contract-halting law. Its five-year provision gives too much margin, Decker said.

When the legislature passes some laws to bring about speedy reorganization, then you'll find a lot of our problems disappearing—teacher shortage, low teaching standards, high per-pupil costs, Mr. Decker declared.

Teacher—With the July meeting of the state board of equalization nearing, Governor Crosby embarked on a campaign of "educating the public on what inequalities in assessments in past years have done to the people of Nebraska."

The governor started a series of press conferences in which he planned to discuss county-by-county the "glaring errors" of inequalities. He said he was particularly interested in showing that some classes of citizens pay as much as two or three times in taxes what other "favored groups" pay on the same value of property.

Douglas, Richardson, Hall, and Deves were high on his list of counties to be discussed, the governor remarked. He said this was a moral problem where taxes were paid inequally.

Compromise—Another thing the legislature finally decided not to budge on was its motor vehicle license fee increase bill. Action on this bill, LB 259, had seen-sawed all during the session.

First it was held for weeks by the revenue committee. When it finally came out on the floor and met its first test, it required days of debate. At one point, the truckers, fighting to keep down in-

creases on the big trucks, had a victory dinner. But this proved premature as the legislature turned around and pegged the increases somewhere near where they had been in the original bill.

Tired of wrangling, the majority of the state senators stayed with the amended bill. Various attempts were made—most notably by two Lincoln state senators—Britt—to scale down the increases, especially on automobiles and small trucks. But they ran into a stone wall of resistance.

A major reason was that the legislature had finally okayed another controversial measure, the 5 percent truck tolerance bill. This was generally considered an "anti-dote" bill for increases to the truckers' fees.

In fact, Sen. Terry Carpenter of Scottsbluff, tried to get them paired to pass at the same time. No friends of the truckers lobby but anxious that the tolerance bill pass so the senatorial friends of the truckers wouldn't scuttle LB 259, Carpenter said he thought both should be passed "as is."

But some senators, resentful of the implication that either bill was a compromise on their part, voted him down.

The only cloud on the horizon was Gov. Robert Crosby who said he had considerable advice asking him to veto the truck tolerance bill. His own appointee, State Engineer L. N. Ressel, had written a letter to the legislature stating that passage of this bill would allow heavier loads on the highways and thus bring more highway and bridge construction cost. And Crosby's predecessor, former Gov. Val Peterson, vetoed a similar bill two years ago.

Fiery Terry Carpenter may have found himself a real issue in the controversial corporation stock taxation problem. The supreme court said certain kinds of corporations would have to obey a clause of the state law calling for the share holders of their stock paying the intangible tax. The corporations then urged the legislature to pass LB 411, which would let them pay the tax. But Carpenter said this was only a

hoax because the "formula" for taxation of these particular corporations is such that after all the deductions are taken out, neither company nor shareholders pays the tax. In two long explanatory speeches in the legislature, Carpenter said he didn't doubt the companies wanted the law passed when it wouldn't tax either them or their shareholders. And when his efforts appeared to no avail and the legislature went right ahead and advanced the bill, Terry shouted, "I'll go up and down this state, I'll appear on television and in person, and I'll tell them what you've done here."

Tempers—As the legislature drew to a close, tempers often became short and long wrangles held. One day the group discussed the federal income tax, and another day an attempt was made to raise the sales tax issue again.

But the group did decisively have restricted liquor advertising—called a "special interest" bill by its opponents. And they voted Hebron \$40,000 to help it rebuild its tornado-wrecked high school. They also decided to appropriate \$10,000 each to the fam-

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ilies of three highway safety patrolmen killed in line of duty.  
But the legislature just couldn't bring itself to let the public know how it votes in committee.

For the second time this session the group voted down a suggestion that committee votes be announced by name. Some members insisted they had "sacred rights" to keep their votes secret and that this was the only way to protect them from attack after voting our consciences in committee.

To Girls' State—Miss Esther Kaiser left Tuesday morning for girls' state in Lincoln. She accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Ben Vonasek and Janet and Ruthie of Star. Mary Chvala of Lynch, also a girls' state representative, accompanied Miss Janet Vonasek, likewise a delegate.

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### Accomplishments—

Besides being credited with passing what promised to be a 194 million dollar overall budget, the legislature could look back on these accomplishments. Taxation—Passing the 50 percent assessments law to meet the situation created when the supreme court said tax laws have to be obeyed. The group refused to repeal the law even though Governor Crosby asked it to. Highways—Passing a one cent gas tax increase law and hiking license fees. This brought praise from State Engineer L. N. Ressel who said "this legislature has given us a highway program for the next two years that will result in the improvement of our state highway system. New levies—Passing a quarter-mill levy to improve the University of Nebraska college of medicine and approving a half-mill levy to put on the teachers' retirement fund on a sound financial basis.

In addition, the legislature changed the primary dates to May in presidential elections years and to August in the off-years; took the county clerks and assessors off the county boards of equalization; and abolished the pre-primary conventions. This was a bill introduced by O'Neill's State Sen. Frank Nelson and "shot at" two or three times by opponents before final reading.

Total Budget Record—Another all-time record was hung up by the legislature—the overall budget. Actually, this fact was misleading. The general fund portion of

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