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## Elmwood News

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Cobb were in Lincoln last Tuesday, where they transacted business and visited with friends.

Ralph Binger and sister, Lelia Scrubbaugh and little daughter Lelia Mae, all of Lincoln, were guests last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Binger.

Donald Gonzales, who is a student at the University of Nebraska, was a guest last Sunday of his mother, Mrs. Emily Gonzales, returning to his studies that evening.

Earl Oldham was in Omaha the morning it rained, taking a truck load of cattle to the South Omaha market for R. L. Hoback. They were extra fine and topped the market.

Jay Stanton and wife were in Lincoln on business Tuesday. On their return they brought back a load of feed to replenish their stock, as the demand has been quite heavy of late.

Nelson Petersen was a visitor in Omaha from last Friday until Tuesday of this week, where he was a guest of friends. During his stay there, the work at the farm was looked after by Anton Jonrgesen.

Dennis and West, the truckers, took a load of cattle to Omaha Tuesday morning for a number of farmers of this vicinity and on their return trip brought back a load of oil for the Farmers Union of Elmwood.

### Will Make Home in West

After a round of receptions and farewell parties for Mr. and Mrs. Rodger Reeves, in which every respect was shown them, they departed early last week for their new home at LaSalle, Colorado, at which point he arrived on Thursday, making the trip via auto and trailer.

### Hold School Caucus

Last Monday evening there was held the caucus to place in nomination candidates for members of the school board for the Elmwood district. With two to be elected, four were placed in nomination, as follows: N. D. Bothwell, Orville Miller, Robert Aken and Ronald Schlichtemeier. The election will be held Tuesday, April 5th.

### Entertained for Friends

Mr. and Mrs. Charles West were host and hostess at their home last Monday, when they entertained at bridge. There were four tables of players. High score honors went to Mrs. Leland Hayes. A delicious lunch was served at the conclusion of the card contests.

### Rev. L. F. Wiggart Poorly

Rev. L. F. Wiggart, who has not been in the best of health for some time, was quite ill the past week at his home. His daughter, Mrs. Albert Schroeder, of Wahoo, is here assisting with the care of her father. At last reports his progress was very slow.

### To Make Home in Idaho

Mr. and Mrs. Alva Skinner, who recently held a sale of their household goods and farming equipment, have left for Idaho, where they will make their home in the future. Before their departure they were given a farewell party that was largely attended and all joined in wishing them success, happiness and prosperity in their new home.

### Sale of Estate Land

A. L. Tidd, Plattsmouth attorney, who is trustee in charge of the sale of the Wilcoxson farm northwest of town, was in Elmwood last Saturday conducting the sale of an 80 acre tract of land belonging to the estate. The land went to a son of the late Mrs. Wilcoxson, Harry Wilcoxson of St. Louis, at \$45 an acre, or \$3,600.00 for the tract. It seems like the price was plenty low enough.

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and that the farm should make a mighty good investment at that figure.

### Knickerbockers Meet

Members of the Knickerbockers, a social club, met last Wednesday at the home of one of their fellow members, Mrs. Joan Carter. An eleven o'clock dinner was served, followed by a most pleasant afternoon session at contract bridge.

### Hospital Patient Improving

Mrs. Theresa Wall, of Elmwood, who was taken to St. Mary's hospital in Nebraska City last week for an operation for appendicitis, rallied nicely from the trying ordeal and has been showing good recovery. It is expected that she will be able to return home in a short time. Mrs. Wall is a sister of Mrs. C. H. Gibson, who has visited her a number of times at the hospital.

### Visiting in the West

Elmer McReynolds, a brother of Alvin A. McReynolds and Miss Lanna McReynolds of Nehawka, who resides on the farm near Alliance owned jointly by the three of them, visited at Nehawka and Elmwood while en route home from Florida, where he has been spending part of the winter. He was accompanied to Alliance by Albert Alford, who will remain there for the summer, working for Mr. McReynolds. Wheat is the principal crop in that section and Mr. McReynolds has a section and a half of fall wheat that is looking fine as a result of the moisture that section of the country has received in the past few weeks.

Mrs. Morris Mendenhall gave a dinner Sunday evening, March 13, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Shelley. Others present were Mrs. Verena Olson and daughter Beatrice, Mr. and Mrs. Skyle Miller, Jr., and Barbara and Mr. Russell Miller.

### Olson-Shelley

The marriage of Miss Lillian Hazel Olson to Mitchell E. Shelley of Omaha took place March 5 at Seward, Nebraska. A ring ceremony was performed by Rev. F. G. Knauer. Miss Olson has been employed in the Elmwood post office for the past year.

The couple took a short wedding trip to Denver, Colorado, where they visited the parents of the groom.

### VIOLATES OMAHA TRAFFIC

OMAHA, Neb., March 17 (UP)—A 19-year-old motorist threw "traffic safety" to the winds late yesterday when he committed five traffic violations in trying to elude a policeman who was slightly injured in a wild chase of several blocks before coming to a stop.

The driver, Leo Kemler, who had five other young persons in the car at the time was booked on charges of reckless driving, speeding, leaving the scene of an accident, no safety sticker and no driver's license.

Officer Henry W. Geil, who fired two shots in the air in an attempt to halt the fleeing driver said that Kemler drove through a red light striking his motorcycle and injuring his right ankle, then continued on without stopping. Early this morning Kemler was still in jail unable to make a \$100 bond.

### KIMBALL MAN KILLED

KIMBALL, Neb., March 19 (UP)—His neck evidently broken from a fall from his horse, the body of Albert T. Blow, 39, was found near his home seven miles southeast of Bushnell late yesterday. Evidently the tragedy had occurred 50 to 70 hours earlier. Blow's legs were still entwined around his saddle which had broken. Blow had lived in this section for about two years. He was divorced. No relatives are known although mail addressed to him was postmarked Fairbury.

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## Fugitive Slips Homicide Case Net Since 1926

Lewis J. Ring Indicted as Wife Killer, Still Being Hunted by the Officers.

MINNEAPOLIS, (UP)—An order received nearly 12 years ago from Floyd B. Olson, former governor of Minnesota, who was then Hennepin county attorney, is still fresh in the mind of Melvin C. Passolt, chief of the Minnesota state crime bureau. The order was, "Bring in Lewis J. Ring."

Eleven years ago, Passolt, then an investigator in the office of the county attorney, trailed Ring through most of the western states, missing the fugitive in several places only by hours. He lost the trail in California. But somewhere today, Passolt believes, Ring is still alive. And the crime bureau chief hopes some day to fasten handcuffs on him and bring him back to Hennepin district court to answer an indictment charging first degree murder.

### Charged as Wife Murderer

Lewis J. Ring, Minneapolis' oldest fugitive, is wanted on a charge of murdering his wife.

The case opened with the finding in 1926 of the body of an unidentified woman floating in Lake Pepin, 10 miles below Ellsworth, Wis. The body was clad only in a nightgown.

Apparently the woman had been strangled or knocked unconscious and then thrown into the lake. At that time no one suspected it was the body of Mrs. Ring, who had disappeared from the Ring apartment three days before.

The day of the disappearance Ring, a former real estate man, told neighbors he was "going on a little trip to Chicago." He returned on the same day the body of the woman was found floating in the lake.

Ring, after finding a letter postmarked "Chicago, April 23," rushed into the apartment of a neighbor and said his wife had disappeared. Mrs. Ring had not been seen by friends or neighbors for at least three days before.

In the meantime, at Ellsworth, Wis., the mystery woman, still unidentified, was buried in potter's field. A month later, the body was exhumed and relatives recognized it as that of Mrs. Ring. Ring disappeared on April 27.

On June 4, 1926, the Hennepin county grand jury indicted Ring for murder.

The search for the missing man spread over the entire United States. Ring was reported seen in cities from coast to coast.

A search directed by Passolt resulted in tracing of the former real estate dealer to Portland, Ore., and south into California.

But Ring made his escape. From time to time in the years since, police have had clues and tips. They believe he is still alive somewhere. Several years ago a letter, dated Salt Lake City, but mailed on a train in Montana, was received here. It was anonymous and purported to be a confession from a handit, admitting the murder of Mrs. Ring. Police are convinced it was written by Ring.

In the files of the police and county attorney's office, the records on the Ring case are kept up to date. They may be used some day.

### CONVICT WIFE SLAYER

OMAHA, Neb., March 19 (UP)—It took a district court jury but 11 hours to return a verdict late last night of guilty of second degree murder against Sam Nanfite, 54, tried in connection with the fatal shooting of his wife, Santina, last January.

Nanfite had been charged with first degree murder, but after Judge John W. Yeager had instructed the jurors a conviction on a lesser charge was had.

Although sentence was deferred, conviction carries a prison term of 10 years to life.

### CASE NOT SOLVED

WASHINGTON, March 19 (UP)—Arrest of Stanley Thomas Jasosky, at Newark, N. J., in no respect represents a solution of the kidnaping of 12-year-old Peter Levine, the department of justice said today.

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### REVOKE LICENSES

LINCOLN, March 19 (UP)—State Engineer A. C. Tilley today revoked the dealers license of Ruel Sward of Stromsburg for selling new cars without having an agency.

It was the first complaint to be brought under provisions of the automobile dealers "Little NRA" law enacted by the unicameral legislature.

Sward admitted misrepresenting his application at a hearing yesterday before the state engineer. The complaint was filed by J. J. McCutcheon, secretary of the Nebraska Automobile Dealers Association.

## Railroad Labor Takes Firm Stand Against Wage Cut

Leaders in Twenty-one Railroad Brotherhoods Will Resist Attempts to Make Cuts.

CHICAGO, March 19 (UP)—Railway labor leaders said today they would oppose flatly any plan for wage reductions for the nation's 1,150,000 railroad employees and suggested that railway managements petition for federal aid as a more agreeable solution to their economic plight.

The Association of American Railroads, with a membership of 142 Class 1 roads, invited the 21 railway brotherhoods yesterday to discuss the problem at a Washington conference the latter part of next week. The action was unexpected as association directors had indicated they would request immediately that the brotherhoods accept a wage cut.

Although the meeting shunted reduction proposals, delegates admitted that the "most immediate questions to be decided is that of wages." They indicated it would be the first order of business at the Washington conference.

George M. Harrison, president of the Railway Labor Executive's association, announced at his Cincinnati headquarters that he was ready and willing to participate in the discussions.

"But I will oppose any wage reduction plan," he said. "We may be able to agree on some program to ask for federal aid for the railroads."

He said he was qualified to speak for all brotherhoods.

The conference invitation was extended to Harrison shortly after President Roosevelt had announced he was seeking a solution to the railroad's economic difficulties. He advised against wage reductions at present.

The AAR's decision to study its problems was made only 24 hours after the president had named three members of the interstate commerce commission as a special committee to formulate recommendations for immediate action by congress on the railroad difficulties.

John J. Pelley, association president, said the "disappointing" 5.3 per cent freight rate increase granted last week by the ICC also would be discussed with labor leaders.

"Wage cuts proposals," he said, "depend upon the turn of discussions."

The roads had sought a straight 15 per cent boost in freight rates to offset increased operating costs which included a \$135,000,000 wage increase granted the 21 brotherhoods last fall.

Pelley announced a committee of 17 leading executives had been appointed to meet with the brotherhood representatives.

He will meet with Harrison Tuesday or Wednesday at Washington to discuss railroad unemployment insurance, he said. The labor-management meeting probably will start Thursday.

### HOOVER AT LONDON

LONDON, March 19 (UP)—Herbert Hoover, former president of the United States, was suffering from a slight cold today. He received no visitors and his only activity was a half-hour walk.

## Clyde Beatty is Featured in Shrine Circus

Ninth Annual Event to Be Staged at Ak-Sar-Ben Coliseum April 4th to 9th Inclusive.

OMAHA, March 18—Clyde Beatty, the world's greatest circus headliner, will be the feature offering of Tangier Temple's gigantic show to be staged at Ak-Sar-Ben Coliseum April 4 to 9, inclusive. This will be the ninth annual circus staged by the Shrine and is expected to be the best in its history because of the Beatty lion and tiger fighting act.

With Beatty will come 32 lions and tigers, untamed beasts of the jungles, the largest number ever shown at one time in a circus ring.

Signing of the contract with Beatty came only after weeks of negotiations with the famous lion and tiger fighter. Demands for his act are so great, Shrine circus officials said, they were fortunate in finally landing him.

Beatty, the sensation of the circus world, will be accompanied by his attractive wife who will be featured in a specialty act in which a lion, a tiger and an elephant take the leading roles.

Beatty is an Ohio boy who ran away from home to join the circus and made good as a lion and tiger fighter after serving as one of the cage helpers. Many times he has faced death in staging his spectacular act. Once he was knocked down and slaved by the raging animals with the result he spent a year in a hospital. For months it was thought he would not live. Finally, recovered, he amazed the circus world by his announcement that he would return to his job of fighting lions and tigers, born enemies of the jungles. His nerves of steel have made him the only man in all circuses who stages his act with both lions and tigers in the cage at the same time.

The famous Beatty will lead a circus parade of forty thrilling acts, including a wide variety of trained animals, equilibrist, jugglers, trapeze and bar performers. The "best clowns in the circus will bring laughs from both old and young alike.

Officials of Tangier Temple are especially anxious for the people in the neighboring communities to attend this circus because of the convenience and comfort afforded by the fact that it is held in the Ak-Sar-Ben coliseum.

The general admission price is only 40 cents.

### SPEAKS AT HARVARD

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 18 (UP)—The Rev. Gerald L. K. Smith, self-styled heir to Huey Long's "share-the-wealth" plan, thinks Harvard should establish a "chair of rabble-rousing."

When persistent booring interrupted his talk in Harvard's new lecture hall under auspices of the Young Conservatives, Smith shouted.

"We rabble-rousers can't waste time on your intellectuals. I don't mind booring. I once had an uncle who used to tell me that every time he heard a jackass bray he got homesick for Louisiana."

At that moment a thermostat gave way with a loud hiss.

### WILL DESCEND OCEAN DEPTHS

BRUSSELS, Belgium, March 18 (UP)—Professor August Piccard, stratosphere scientist plans to descend 41 meters (13,120 feet or almost 2 1/2 miles) to the sea bottom in the vicinity of the Canary Islands next year in a new submarine gondola it was announced today.

Piccard plans to take a zoologist to study life at a depth. The apparatus of the gondola include a device for producing electric shocks in case the craft is seized by some giant fish. The gondola, about 6 feet in diameter probably will be made of duraluminum.

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## AVOCA NEWS

Louis Young, who resides east of town, has purchased a new Hudson light six auto.

Miss Mattie Voyles spent last Sunday at the home of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Meyers.

Many of the young people of Avoca and vicinity attended a roller skating party at Oteo one night last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Greenrod, who were recently married, moved to their farm home east of town last Tuesday.

John Marquardt was a visitor in Elmwood last Saturday afternoon, where he looked after business and attended a sale.

Marius Nelson, the trucker, was at Syracuse Wednesday of last week, where he attended the regular weekly community sale.

C. W. Everett of Weeping Water was in Avoca last Tuesday night, coming over to test the lights after the storm of that afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stronb have been getting things in readiness for the opening of a beauty parlor in their residence in the near future.

Fred Marquardt and family were guests at the home of Mrs. Marquardt's mother, Mrs. Bedella Stander, at Louisville, last Sunday, making the trip over and back in their car.

Mrs. Harry J. Stutt was in Lincoln from Sunday to Wednesday of last week, visiting her daughters, the Misses Wilma and Jean, who are students at the University of Nebraska.

Senator Fred L. Carsten and Albert Hill were at Plattsmouth last Tuesday evening, where they attended the Happy Hundred banquet which was held at the Legion building that evening.

Albert Bruner, who has been having considerable trouble with bad teeth, had a number of them extracted recently. This was followed by infection in his jaw, but he is reported as improving.

Mrs. Mary S. Harman was a visitor in Lincoln last Monday, being a guest of friends and looking after business matters there. The following day she went to Nebraska City to look after business.

County Commissioner Elmer Hallstrom was in Plattsmouth Tuesday, attending the county board meeting and Happy Hundred banquet in the bank. Louis Carsten was assisting Oscar Zimmerer with the work at the bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Schafer, who conduct a restaurant in Union, visited over Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Terrell. The two families were near neighbors on farms near Union some time ago, and enjoyed their visit together.

Many of the high school of Avoca were at Oteo last Tuesday evening, where they attended the banquet at the high school given in honor of the members of the basketball team of that town. Gregg McBride, sports editor of the State Journal, was the principal speaker.

### Operated for Appendicitis

Mrs. Ernest Norris, who has been troubled for some time with repeated attacks of appendicitis, underwent an operation last Monday for the removal of the offending appendix. At last reports, she is said to be getting along very well.

### Locates Near Springfield

Leonard Shrader and family, who have made their home near Avoca for some time, moved last week to a farm a few miles north of Springfield. Marius Neilson, the trucker, moved their household goods to the new home.

### Will Make Home in West

Mrs. W. A. Phillips, who recently disposed of her effects, will make her home in California. She departed for the west last week and was accompanied by Carl Stander. They went by way of Missouri, where they desired to visit relatives, and it was

## State Engineer Modifies Ruling as to Testing

Municipal Stations in Towns of Less Than 5,000 Not Required to Test More than 6,000 Lbs.

LINCOLN, March 18 (UP)—State Engineer A. C. Tilley today modified rules for state-wide motor vehicle inspection so that municipal stations in cities of less than 5,000 population will not be required to test vehicles weighing more than 6,000 pounds.

Tilley explained that small towns would not be able to pay out on the larger equipment needed to test all legal size vehicles and pointed out that registration of trucks and busses of more than 6,000 pounds is usually small in most cities of this size.

"However," he said, "we urge that cities of less than 5,000 people situated in an area with a dense rural population and with a heavy registration of motor vehicles in excess of 6,000 pounds equip themselves with the heavy duty lane wherever possible."

Originally it was planned to require all municipal testing stations to inspect any legal size vehicles. The largest vehicles will be inspected at key stations possessing the heavy lane equipment.

though that possibly some of the relatives there would also accompany them to the west.

### Spoke at Lenten Services

Rev. King, of Lincoln, pastor of one of the churches at that place, was the principal speaker at the Lenten services held last week at the Congregational church here. Illness prevented the pastor, Rev. Hall from attending the services, and Rev. J. M. Kokjer introduced the speaker of the evening.

### Nehawka Club Presents Play

Last Tuesday evening at the auditorium, there was presented the home talent play, "George in a Jam," by the Nehawka Woman's club, which had previously presented it in their home town. The play was sponsored jointly by the Woman's clubs of the two towns with the receipts divided equally. The profit accruing to the Avoca club was given to the Library board to be used for the purchase of new books for the library here.

### STATE COSTS UP

LINCOLN, March 19 (UP)—Warrants aggregating \$2,116,857 were drawn during February for operation of the Nebraska state government, an increase of \$127,107 over January. State Tax Commissioner W. H. Smith reported today.

The increase was due in part to payment by the board of control for quarterly supplies and a \$60,000 payment for the new ward building at the Hastings state hospital. Warrants drawn by the board totaled \$291,631 for February as compared with \$201,448 in January.

### APPROVE LINE CONSTRUCTION

LINCOLN, March 19 (UP)—The state railway commission today granted authority to the Lancaster county rural public power district to construct 143 miles of electric lines. The lines will extend a short distance into Oteo county in addition to Lancaster.

### NOTICE OF CONDITION OF CORPORATION

The Avoca Grain Corporation, a legal corporation of the State of Nebraska, in compliance with law requiring publication of condition of indebtedness declare the corporation has no outstanding indebtedness.  
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