## RADIO CAT NOT EASILY KILLED

Took 4,000 Volts of Electricity But Refused to Be Put Under Ground

Norfolk, Neb .- (Special) -- "Tom, the big grey cat mascot of the transmitting station of the WJAG radio plant, was electrocuted; but came back to life to claim the eight remaining lives said to be the period of a cat's span.

George Pogue, chief engineer of the station, was monitoring the plant when suddenly he heard the cat emit a hair-raising noise. Then every fuse in the plant blew out. Pogue found that the cat had stuck its nose against the brush of a generator and "took" about 4,000 volts of electricity into its body. The cat, apparently dead, was lying on its

back near the generator.

The plant force gathered about the animal and Pogue, picking it up, tenderly remarked:

"It's dead. Stiff as a board." Then the employes started to bury the mascot when suddenly the cat came back to life, scratched the chief engineer on the nose and excaped from the station.

The cat has not yet returned, was last seen racing for the wide open

spaces very much alive. WINSIDE CONGREGATION

TAKES ON NEW LIFE Winside, Neb. - (Special) - The Trinity Lutheran congregation has had a very unusual career. It has changed from a small congregation struggling for existence into one now prominent in the community within the short period of eight months.

The congregation was organized in 1901 and a number of years later became a member of the United Lutheran Church of America. From the very beginning the congregation struggled for existence but still some progress was always made. In the period after the war when the transition was made from the German language into the English language for the medium of worship the congregation continued to lose

For 30 years Trinity was supplied with pastors from Wayne and Norfolk, until the small group decided to call a pastor who could give his full time to the up-building of this small struggling organization. In 1931 the Rev. W. F. Most, agraduate of Martin Luther Seminary at Lincoln, was given an official call. He became the pastor in the spring

Decided changes took place in the congregation. The most needed one was the use of the English language for the medium of worship. This was soon effected and the congregation began to grow in membership and activity. During that year 62 children and adults were confirmed and 20 others were received as members by letter or otherwise. The Sunday School increased from 25 members to 100 and a Luther League was organized

with 51 young people joining. A well trained choir is a part of every Sunday's service, this choir consists of 18 voices, under the leadership of Rev. Most, with Mrs. A. T. Chapin as accompanist.

YEAR OF BOND BUYING

IN KNOX COUNTY Creighton, Neb. - (Special) -Bonds retired by Knox county subdivisions during 1931 totalled \$35,-248.41, according to figures procured from the office of Chris B. Alexander, county treasurer, at Center. Of that sum, school district bonds totalling \$14,800, and city and village bonds amounting to \$20,448.-41 were paid off. In addition, \$22,-519.71 was paid in interest and premiums on outstanding bonds during 1931.

Bloomfield and Verdigre school districts led in paying off bonds during the year, each retiring \$4,000 worth. Niobrara, Crofton, Center and a rural schol in the western part of the county accounted for the remainder.

Winnetoon village, retiring \$6,500 in electric light bonds, and Bloomfield, paying off \$6,000 in light plant bonds from earnings of the plant, led the municipalities of the county during the year. Bloomfield also retired sewer bonds totalling \$1,-448.41. Wausa and Crofton paid off smaller amounts.

Total bonded indebtedness of Knox county's sub-divisions, school districts, towns, and a drainage district, is \$469,341.28. Of that sum, Bloomfield owes \$172,000, Wausa \$82,338.38. Crofton \$64,000, Verdigre \$46,000; Verdel 23,800; Center \$23,-000; Niobrara \$20,300; Creighton \$15,502.95, Winnetoon \$6,000, and Frankfort township drainage district, \$16,000.

Creighton school district. Winnetoon school district, and Verdigre village are the only sizeable subdivisions in the county without bonded indebtedness of some form.

FEDORA WOMAN HAS

CAT 20 YEARS OLD Fedora, S. D. - (Special) - A tabby cat owned by Mrs. Will Christenson will be 20 years old this spring. This cat seems to be perfectly well except for a few bad teeth. When a kitten, it was given to her by her parents for her son as a pet. Mrs. Christenson also had a pet mourning dove which recently died at the age of five years.

STATE COMMISSION BUYS FEED FOR GAME BIRDS

Lincoln, Neb. - (Special) - The The state game commission has spent approximately \$500 for feed for game birds, and contributions continue to come in to George Carter, who is receiving the contributions. Mr. Carter said that conditions are very poor in Boyd, Cedar and Knox counties where crops were poor last year, and that if the birds could dig down through the snow there would be no food on the ground. It is reported that large covies of quail in some sections have died of starvation.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS TO

MEET AT FREMONT Fremont, Neb.-The program for an annual meeting of the Associaan annual meeting of the Association of Nebraska School Boards and Executives to be held in Fremont February 9 and 10 has just been announced by E. J. Overing of Red Cloud, secretary and treasurer. The address of welcome to the istors will be given by Mayor John F. Rohn of Fremont. Dr. F. E. Henzlick of the University of Nebraska will follow with an address, 'Choosing and Using Educational eadering and Using Educational eadership in Nebraska." G. C. Chadderdon of Cambridge will speak on taxes and Superintendent -aul E. Seidel of Wahoo will conduct a discussion. Other talks include Ecoof Public School Buildings" by Dr. W. H. Norton of the University of Nebraska and Floyd L. Willis of Lincoln, "Character Ed: Superintendent Charles W. Taylor, "Education in Time of Depression" by Dr. George W. Frazier of Greeley, Colo., and "Abraham Lincoln" by T. L. Andrews of Fremont.

## **NEW TEACHERS** ARE EMPLOYED

Rural Schools of Cuming County Pay Wide Range of Wages

Wisner, Neb .- (Special) -- County Superintendent Miss Anne Will, has made a survey of rural teachers in Cuming county which shows that of the 69 teachers, one fourth of the number are new this year, having had no previous experience. It shows further that one fifth have had one year or more of college work, and almost one fifth have

had no normal or college training. The survey shows a turnover this year of more than half, there being 36 of the 69 teachers who are new to the profession. Three of the 69 receive monthly pay of from \$60 to \$69; 21 form \$70 to \$79; 20 from \$80 to \$89; 18 from \$90 to \$99, and 7 from \$100 to 109 per month.

M'NUTT HAS PRAISE FOR GENERAL PERSHING

Lincoln, Neb .- Paul V. McNutt, former national commander of the American Legion, addressed a banquet gathering here and character-ized General John J. Pershing as a commander who sent his forces into battle "steadfast, serene and unconquerable."

The occasion was the opening of a Pershing hall fund campaign and was attended by nearly 200 persons. Mark Woods of Lincoln was

It was announced at the dinner that Nebraska has been invited to finance the furnishing of the grande salon in the memorial tr the general in Paris.

RE-ELECTED HEAD OF SCHOOLS AT COLERIDGE

Coleridge, Neb .- (Special) -- Elmer Weber, superintendent of schools here, was re-elected for another year at the same salary, at a meeting of the board. He gets \$2,300 a year. He came here in the fall of 1930 after serving several years as superintendent at Niobrara.

IOWA MAN ORDAINED PRIEST AT LINCOLN

Lincoln, Neb .- (Special) - Rev James Garvey of Boone, Ia., was ordained to the priesthood here Monday and has been appointed to the charge at Wilber and the Cortland mission. He will celebrate his first mass at Boone Wednesday, and return to Nebraska to take up his duties the first of February.

SOME IMPROVEMENT IN

WINTER WHEAT SHOWN Lincoln, Neb .- (UP) -Slight improvement in condition of the Nebraska wheat crop during the past month was shown in the midmonth crop report, made public by the state and federal department of agricultural statistics.

Condition of wheat at mid-January was reported to be 84 per cent, whereas for mid-December the condition had been 83 per cent.

The report shows the moisture supply in north and west Nebraska is still short, while the southeastern sections shows generally more than ample moisture supplies.

'Soil moisture conditions are ideal in the southeastern quarter of the state," according to A. E. Anderson, statistician, "It has been years since the subsoil in this section of the state has been in as good condition. In addition to heavy rain last fall, several snows have fallen on unfrozen ground and most of this moisture will be absorbed."

There is some apprehension in east Nebraska, Anderson said, that the thaws followed by lowered temperatures, may cause snow to pack and form ice which might exclude the air from the wheat.

Snows have been lighter in parts of western and northern Nebraska and moisture has not been received to put the subsoil in good condition. As a result the condition of wheat in western and southwestern Nebraska is low, Anderson says.

The mid-month crop report shows 14 per cent of the state's coin crop still unhusked and in the field. Loss has been sustained in shrinkage and deterioration of quality of the corn left in the fields. The percentage of corn unhusked, while varying in some districts, is general in the

LITTLE THEATER TOURNEY HAS MORE TERRITORY

Fremont, Neb .- (Special) -Announcement that Midland college's Little Theater tournament this year will be open to outofstate schools was made today by Mrs. Sara Hawkinson, instructor in dramatics. Participation in the past has been limited to the first eight Nebraska schools registering. The decision to throw the tourney open to outofstate schools has resulted from queries from Iowa and Missouri. The event will be held som

Pajamas for Every Occasion



Whoever claims that pajamas are becoming passe had better guess again, for down at Palm Beach, Fla., they are the costume of the moment. They are seen everywhere—on the street, in shops and at parties, as well as on the beach. Here is Mrs. J. Gordon Douglas, prominent New York society matron, wearing one of the latest models as a motoring costume in the southern resort.

# **MONTANA MAY** GET ORE MILL

Billings, Mont.—(UP)—A chrome mill costing \$10,000,000 may be built in the Red Lodge region to refine ore from the vast deposits of mineral in the Beartooth mountains.

Dr. A. A. Hassen, an engineer representing eastern capitalists, investigated the deposits recently and, as a result, they may be developed. The deposits of chrome ore were

first found by government geologists during the World war, but because they were so inaccessible at that time the cost of transportation was prohibitive. Since that time, however, several highways have been built.

Approximately 95 per cent of the chromite ore used in the United States is shipped in from South Africa and is refined in this country. The freight rates now existant between Montana and the eastern mills are so high, the ore could not be shipped unrefined and still compete with South African ores. For this reason it was planned to build a refining plant near the deposits and the finished product could be shipped east and sold for less than the imported ore would cost. The mineral is principally used in the

steel industry. The normal demand for chrome ore amounts to about 400,000 tons annually and it was believed the supply in the Red Lodge district would fill this demand for a long period of time.

> THEN AND NOW. 1890.

Grandma, feeble, eighty one, Sits and waits-her work is done. Chair in chimney corner warm, Shawl about her shriveled form; Cap a-top her white braids neat, Cushion 'neath her slippered feet; Mutters as she shapes a mit. "I'm so glad I still can knit."

1932. Grandma, peppy, eighty one, Life for her has just begun. Pilot's license out to gain, Soars aloft in aeroplane: Helmet on her bob of gray. Booted in the proper way; Chortles, as her own she rolls, "Now, kid, I'll take these controls." -Sam Page.

COLLEGE FRESHMAN AT 15 Eugene, Ore. — (UP) — Eleanor Staten, 15, is the youngest freshman at the University of Oregon. Eleanor went through grade and high schools in only 812 years and took a six-months post graduate course before enrolling at the university this year.

Back to Wife's Folks. From the Bristow, Neb., Enterprise. An auto went through O'Neill on Friday last week that created more than a little curiosity. On the side of the car was a painted banner with the following inscription:

"Colorado for irrigation, Nebraska for starvation; Damn the republican administra-

BLAST STARTED WATER Broken Bow, Neb. -(UP)-Water holes on the farm of Robert Lee, Cherry county rancher, began to run dry, endangering his range cattle. A. J. Van Antwerp, Custer county farmer, planted a stick of dynamite near the springs on Lee's ranch and blew a gigantic hole in the ground. It filled with water for

CLEVER SLEUTHING Fort Worth, Tex.-Detectives Ed Weatherford and J. W. Swinney noticed Cecil Penny putting a wet | doing nicely

tion; We're going back to wife's re-lation." We do not know from what part of Nebraska, he had in mind, but we are sure that he did not mean Holt county for we have no one starving in good old Holt county. The rest of the happer seems correct

One Fresh Thing From Tit-Bits. "Didn't you see that sign 'Fresh Paint'?" asked the grocer. "Of course I did," said the customer, "but I've seen so many signs hung up here announcing something fresh that wasn't, that

of the banner seems correct.

I didn't believe it Accommodating From Passing Show Park Policeman. Can you lend

me a pencil? Man, Here you are. Park Policeman: Now give me your name and address. I saw you pick a flower.

Too Late. From Answers.
"Darling, will you marry me?" I'm afraid not, Hector, But I'll be a sister to you. "But that's impossible."
"Not at all. You see, I became engaged to your brother yesterday."

So Dumb. From Der Lustige Sachse, Leipzig "Newspapers are one-sided." "How is that?" "They always make a fuss when a famous man dies, but never when afamous man is born."

Short and Sweet. From the Pathfinder. Garage Mechanic: What's the trouble, Madam? Sweet Young Thing: They say I have a short circuit. Can you lengthen it for me, please?

Display and Dismay From Bart Hem, Stockholm. Wife: Hurry up, can't you? simply must go out and show off my new fur coat. Hubby: Wait a minute. I simply must cut the fringe off my cat

Sez Hugh:



F YOU THINK IT'S HARD TO LIVE WITHIN AN INCOME, TRY LIVING WITHOUT ONE!

garden hose in his car and driving away with it. "Being wet," the detectives reasoned with one another, "that hose must belong to someone else." They trailed Penny and, on questioning him, found that the hose was stolen and that Penny was an escaped convict.

BOSSY PROUD OF TRIPLETS Mangum, Okla, -(UP)- Bossy, four-year-old whiteface cow, . was one of the proudest mothers in Oklahoma recently. She is the mother of triplets and they are all SAVINGS OF LIFETIME

RESTORED TO HER Gering, Neb.-The \$13,000 intended by a 66-year-old Colorado mother for her children is in its owner's hands, Scottsbluff police having recovered it from one of her six sons a business man here.

The money in currency and gold was accumulated after many years by Mrs. Sarah Webber of Platte-ville. She had buried it in tomato cans in the yard, she said, and found it gone when she prepared to have one son, David of Denver divide it between the six.

She and David then asked Scottsbluff police to question another son John Webber, Scottsbluff furniture dealer, who had been in Denver and Platteville recently on business.

John showed the officers where

the money was hidden in the upholstery of his automobile. His mother's poor memory, he said, had placed the cash in his hands.

During his visit in Platteville, he asserted, Mrs. Webber gave him a

small cedar chest for his children. On the road back he found the money in the chest and secreted it in his car to avoid possible holdup. John was not arrested.

David came here from Denver and took a draft for \$13,000 back to his mother. He did not say what she would do with it.

## **FISH HATCHERY** PROBLEM BIG

Nebraska Game Board Gives Attention to Growing Demand

Lincoln, Neb.—(UP)—Creation of fish hatcheries in the south and west portions of the state, to supply the fish for stocking streams in those sections, was discussed by the state game commission.

With the majority of the supplemental state fish hat peries located in the north part of the state, fish stock must be shippe great dis-tances by rail to be ponted in the southern and west restreams. It is the plan of the commission to urge construction of the hatcheries by private citizens. Last year, game commission purchased

200,000 fish, mostly bass, from private plants. A reduction in the price paid for fish raised in the private hatcheries was scheduled to be made by the commission. The price for fingerling bass has been from \$30 to \$50 per thousand and for crappies and sunfish \$10 to \$20 per thous-

Secretary Frank O'Connell, of the hatcheries have been experimenting with nursery hatching and have developed records on cost of raising the fingerling size fish.

FORGOTTEN PEOPLE ONCE LIVED IN NEBRASKA AREA

Lincoln, Neb.—(UP)—The soil of Nebraska is yielding a story of a great race of forgotten people, according to Earl H. Bell, instructor of anthropology at the University of Nebraska.

A study of the state's archeological material, started by the state university but two years ago, already has brought to light many interesting facts concerning the early history of the area now known

as the state of Nebraska, Bell says. "The state has a history of an early race of people-not savages, but a civilized people who contributed many cultural traits to our

own civilization. When one looks at our economic crops and realizes that corn, pumpkin, squash, beans, tomatoes, tobacco and some of the finest cotton, potatoes, manico and other crops were domesticated by the American Indian, he realizes the contributions of that great people," Bell says.

Archeological research was first started as a part of the work of the university two years ago by Dr. W. D. Strong. He, with Waldo Wedel. carried on the work for two seasons. Taking a lead from the work done by A. T. Hill, of Hastings, the archeology of the Pawnee tribe was worked out. The results of that work and the research by Hill are incorporated in a paper by Wedel. soon to be published by the Amerfcan Bureau of Ethnology of the Smithsonian institute. Title of the work is "An Introduction to Pawnee Archeology."

Nebraska university is encouraging the findings of archeclogical material and is training students in the interpretation and preservation of material found.

Bell states the belief the University of Nebraska has stepped ahead of many other universities in development of this science relating to the history of the state.

RURAL MAIL CARRIER FEEDING GAME BIRDS

Verdigre, Neb.—(Special)—Rural Mail Carrier George Vondracek whose route is west of Verdigre, has been carrying grain with him and is feeding the hungry pheasants. quail and prairie chickens. He has been feeding them at different places on his route and the birds are waiting at their feeding place long before the carrier gets there. The birds have nothing to eat since the deep snow and are eager to get fed, and are very tame at feeding time. The carrier on route two is also carrying grain to feed the pheasants and quail along his route. Paul T. Holan is carrier on route two.

HE VIOLATES PAROLE. MUST DO TIME NOW

Pender, Neb .- (Special) -- Walter Leonard, 21, of Pender, recently paroled to his father on a \$500 bond, for stealing cream and chickens, was getting along nice till he ran out of tobacco. He saw more cream on the station truck. He took one five-gallon can and sold it to the nearest cream station. Now he must do his full jail term.

Cycling is booming in England one firm turning out 1,000 machines

## WOMAN OWNS GAMBLING CLUB

Las Vegas, Nev. - (UP) - The Rainbow club here is believed to be the only gambling club in the Unit-

ed States owned by a woman Clicking roulette wheels, the drone of dealers, the bark of the keno room attendants, and the calling of numbers at the big wheel all are music to Mrs. Tom Rowan, the owner. She is said to have paid \$30,000 for a partner's interest.

Mrs. Rowan inherited a half in-terest in the club when her husband died, and has been active in the club management since.

Thousands of dollars change hands nightly and approximately 75 employes operate the many types of games under the supervision of S. J. Loomis, formerly of Detroit, and recently employed as club mana-

The club has been the play-ground of many screen celebrities from Hollywood. Mrs. Rowan is making plans for the improvement of her club.

IT WOULD! In mediaeval ages dark,
Each alchemistic mixer
Was searching early hours and late,
For this—the life elixir.

They found it not. But recently, Like gold among the sand. The scientists have found its like Within a ductless gland.

A dose will make the old glad come, As strengthener it serves; It makes your mem'ry keen and And calms your jangled nerves

How fine to have in these drear days This Pollyanna potion! To drink, and then to see each fear Become a silly notion!

But wait! Enough for just one year To silence all your moans. And make the old world round

again. Would cost twelve thousand bones!
—Sam Page.

Bring Back the 16-Cent Hog.
From the Omaha World-Herald.
What Nebraska needs more than
60-cent corn is 10-cent hogs. The
latter would add dollars where the former would add dimes to the agricultural cash income of the state.

The fuss which is made over grain prices, compared with the lack of it over live stock prices, considering the relative importance of the two to this state, presents a

curious phenomenon. curious phenomenon.

Nebraska is pre-eminently and preponderantly a producer and marketer of live stock and its products. Less than a third of its corn leaves the state as a surplus cash crop. The remainder is marketed "on the hoof." The state's cash income from all the corn, wheat, oats, rye and barley which it sells is less than from either its cattle or its hog sales.

or its hog sales.

A. E. Anderson, federal and state crop statistician, estimates a gross cash income to Nebraska farms for the year ending June 30, 1930, of \$464,000,000. Live stock and live stock products brought in \$330,000,-000 of that, cash crops \$134,000,000. The aggregate farm income for the last 10 years has been more than \$4,000,000,000, of which 71 per cent was derived from live stock and 29 per cent from cash crops.

Hogs have been celebrated in Nebraska husbandry as "mortgage lifters." But a hog that sells for \$4 a hundred can't lift a mortgage very high and it takes a pretty well fin-ished hog to bring as much as \$4 a hundred on the Omaha market these days. Besides which freight, commission and yardage charges have to be deducted from the price before the farmer is paid. Bring back the 10-cent hog and 0-cent corn will take care of itself without any warehouse laws or \$25,000 special sessions of the leg-

Apology.
From Tit-Bits.
An insurance company issued a life policy in the name of one Samuel Johnson. Premiums were paid promptly for a few years, but suddenly they stopped.

After sending a few delinquent notices, the company received this "Dear Sirs: Please excuse us as we can't pay any more premiums on Sam. He died last May. Yours

truly, Mrs. S. Johnson.' And 38-Cent Ashes? From the Webster City Freeman-

Journal. The increase of the price of corn to 38 cents a bushel at local markets has stopped the talk of burning corn for fuel. It doesn't pay to burn 38-cent corn, but it does pay to burn it when it is worth only 20 cents, and it ought to be used for fuel under such circumstances by those who have the corn and do not have coal or wood.

She's a Big Help. From Hummel, Hamburg. Hubby: I thought we were going to practice economy, dear, and here you've gone and bought a new

Wife: Well, darling, I am practicing economy. I cancelled your order for a suit and bought the dress for half the money you would have spent on the swit. He's Crazy.

From Hummel, Hamburg. Insurance Inspector: Would you mind telling me if there is any insanity in your family, lady?
Wife (a policy seeker): Well, no, not exactly. Only my husband thinks he's boss at home.

The Very Thing. Mr. Brown: How do you like this house? Shall we buy it?
Mrs. Brown: Oh, it's perfectly lovely! The view from this balcony is so fine that it leaves me speech.

Mr. Brown: Then we'll buy it. LILLIE'S DOG STOPS SHOW Chicago-(UP)-Twice Hairnet, a little white poodle, interrupted the

"Third Little Show" and threw the

house into an uproar by breaking loose from his leash and running on the stage to frisk about with his friend Beatrice Lillie, the star. RADIO FINDS PARENTS

Clinton, Ind .- (UP)-Two Dallas, Tex., radio stations aided in locating Mr. and Mrs. Pal Duquesne, vaudeville artists on when their daughter, Jacqueline, 5, dl d at the home of her grandparents