

Muscovy Hen Is Visitor at Stuart

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Special Feature Writer

With all the excitement caused by the rumors circulated concerning the possible existence of a mountain lion in these parts, the appearance of a strange bird caused some speculation as to its identity and curiosity as to its origin.

Mrs. Art Givens of Stuart was able to get a picture of the bird, caught in arrested flight atop a board fence at their farm yard. The bird is a Muscovy hen duck, a bird of Chinese origin. This species is less popular, per-

haps, than the common barnyard duck, because of the coarseness of its feather, which are mostly black, shading into dark green in the wing feathers. They have a white head and may have a white spot here and there, elsewhere.

The male of the species has a more pronounced topknot than the female and heavy orange-red wattles as well. The drake often dresses 10- to 12-pounds of rich meat that lacks the excessive greasy quality of other ducks. The hen rarely weighs more than four or 4½ pounds.

The hens take to the air and may circle the buildings several times before they light again. This is their way of warming up in cold weather. The drake, being heavier, is not so active, though



Muscovy hen . . . identity no longer a mystery.

he may fly when scared. Muscovy eggs require five weeks of incubation. The mother hen directs her brood with a horse whispering hiss-like sound and those who find the monotonous quack-quack of the noisy ducks tiresome will appreciate that quality in the Muscovies.

Muscovies do not have the same interest in water that other ducks have and are more content as barnyard fowls. They are comparatively easy to raise and always bring forth much comment from visitors.

M/Sgt. Don Lanman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lanman, returned Saturday from Ft. Richardson, Anchorage, Alaska, where he has been stationed for the past 15 months. He was met in Grand Island by his father, brother-in-law Vern Grenier and nephew, Bobby Jay Grenier.

Miss Esther Kinnier spent the weekend at her home in Spalding.

Lynch News

Lyle Stewart and family are moving to a farm north of town. They have been farming near Meadow Grove for several years. Mr. and Mrs. John Hurd spent the latter part of the week in Minneapolis, Minn., returning home Saturday.

Earl Rosicky returned home on Friday from a business trip to Rochester, Minn.

Mrs. Tommy Courtney returned home from Pennsylvania Saturday where she attended the funeral of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Bjornsen and family of Allen visited relatives here, also at Mrs. Bjornsen's parental home in Spencer last week.

Mrs. Floyd France entertained a group of ladies at her home last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Katie Soulek and Mrs. Emma Ballard of Spencer are employed at the Sacred Heart hospital.

Mrs. Lena Johnson of Monowi visited with Mrs. Patsy Mulhair Saturday. Mrs. Johnson is moving to Lincoln.

Mrs. Earl Moody is the assistant cashier in the Nebraska State bank due to the resignation of Miss Lavon Micanek, who plans to be married in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cranford accompanied the Louis Cranford family of Spencer to Valentine on Sunday, January 30, for a visit at the Raymond Cranford home.

Mrs. Edward Heiser was hostess to the Altar society members last Thursday afternoon. Twelve members were present. Five dollars was donated to the Nebraska Heart association. A public card party is planned for Monday evening, February 21. The public is invited. The Altar society sponsored a polio collection in the Catholic church, amounting to \$28.52.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Nelson are vacationing in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Krugman are moving into the Don Allen apartments this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Frisch and family are planning to move back to Lynch.

On Tuesday, February 1, Mrs. Josephine Mammen was honored at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Darnell, with a birthday anniversary dinner with a group of ladies present to help her enjoy the day. Mrs. Mammen received several nice gifts to remember the day.

RIVERSIDE NEWS

Thursday supper guests of the Wayne Fry's were the Harold Milnar family and the Bill Lofquest family.

Cpl. Roger Bennett who is stationed in Michigan, is home on leave.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Miller and children called on Grandma Kallhoff and the Otto Kallhoffs' Monday evening, January 31.

Bill Lofquest called on the Harold Milnar family Sunday afternoon.

A1/c Charles Marston landed in San Francisco, Calif., Saturday from the Philippines where he has spent the past nine months. He will be discharged during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Bowman of Bristow were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Gilstrap.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harbottle attended the funeral Thursday in Hastings of Mrs. Sam A. Arnold.



These 13 Page women have noted their golden wedding anniversaries, count 733 years of married life. Left-to-right: Front row—Mrs. Rose Chichester, Mrs. Mattie Stewart, Mrs. John Stauffer, Mrs. Celestine Williamson; middle row—Mrs. Allen Haynes, Mrs. Louie Downey, Mrs. John Gray; back row—Mrs. J. R. Russell, Mrs. Rollie Snell, Mrs. C. A. Townsend and Mrs. Jennie French. Two of the statistical group are not pictured—Mrs. Fanny Stewart and Mrs. Lucy Eickhoff.

13 Golden Wedding Celebrants Married Total of 733 Years

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The east-Holt county town of Page has a population of 250 people. There are 13 women residing in the village who have celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.

Two of them, Mrs. Fannie Stewart and Mrs. Lucy Eickhoff, have become widows during the past year.

The 13 golden wedding celebrants total 733 years 3 months and 22 days of wedding life. Or, if you like more statistics, their aggregate ages figure out to 991 years 8 months and 8 days. One of the group has been married 50 years 1 month; another has been married 61 years 3 months 29 days.

Page, all told, counts 28 widows and unmarried women in the upper age bracket. Compare these to four widowers and three bachelors.

Most of all of them are content to live alone, because a visit to Page on a wintry morning will find smoke curling from 30 chimneys where these people live. Few will consent to live in company with others, but prefer their own homes.

Mrs. French to Omaha—Mrs. O. W. French visited her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Tallon in Omaha from Wednesday, February 2, until Sunday, Mrs. Felix Hendricks accompanied her and visited her son, George, and her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Deao. Dr. and Mrs. Ivan French of Wahoo were dinner guests at the Tallon home last Thursday.

Page News

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Heiss entertained at a dinner Sunday noon in observance of the 26th wedding anniversary of Mr. Heiss' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Heiss. Other guests were Larry Heiss, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Zellers and Freddie, Pamela and Rickie Asher.

Mr. and Mrs. Heiss have spent all their married life at Page. They have two sons, Richard of Page, Larry who attends college at Lincoln and two daughters, Mrs. Richard Asher of Powell, Wyo., and Mrs. Ross Fink of Wichita, Kans. They have five grandchildren.

Joyce, Lorraine and Elaine Claisey, Marlene Kelly, William Plautz and Marion Sinkule of Lincoln spent from Friday evening until Sunday at Page. Marlene visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kelley. The others visited at the George Claisey home.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Robinson and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Heiss and family were Sunday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Grass.

Mrs. Anna Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Kelley and Ruth and Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Thompson and family were dinner guests Saturday evening at the Arthur Grass home. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly's 26th wedding anniversary was Saturday, February 5.

Dr. George Clinton and his mother, Mrs. Bertha Reed, were Sioux City visitors Tuesday, February 1. On Friday evening Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Clinton spent the evening with Mr. and Mrs. William Neubauer.

Mrs. Ivan Heiss was surprised Wednesday morning, February 2, when a group of ladies brought rolls and came for breakfast to help Mrs. Heiss celebrate her

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1:00 p.m., C.S.T.

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Wilbur Drybread, President Chas. Corlke, Auctioneer
Harold Harms, Sec'y and Sale Mgr. George Cummings, Judge

The Valentine Chamber of Commerce will serve a buffet luncheon at the City Auditorium Sunday evening, February 13. Following the luncheon, James C. Quigley will show colored slides of pictures taken during his trips to foreign lands. All local and visiting cattlemen, business and professional men, and other interested persons are invited to attend and bring their families.

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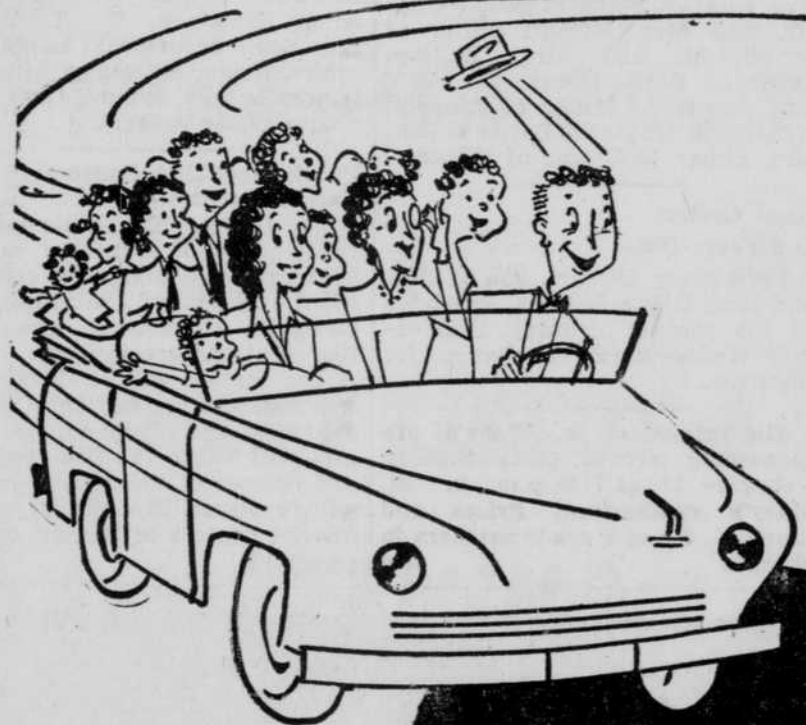
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birthday anniversary. Those present were Mesdames Frank Bee-laert, Marvin Stauffer, Neven Ickes, Jr., Norman Trowbridge, Robert Van Horn, Tom Kelly, Dale Stauffer, Richard Heiss and Richard Asher.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Kelley entertained at a dinner Sunday noon in observance of their 26th wedding anniversary which was Saturday, February 5. Buests were Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Hansen and Rhonda of Hoskins, Mr. and Mrs. William Hansen and Lee Ann of Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kelly and family and Mrs. Anna Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly have three children—Tom of Page, Mrs. Cyril Hansen of Hoskins, and Ruth at home. They have three grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Potter of Ewing and Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smith were dinner guests Sunday of Mrs. C. M. Stewart. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Juracek and family of Star were supper and evening guests. Mr. and Mrs. Glen Stewart and Dick were evening guests.

Dr. George Clinton of Los Angeles, Calif., and his mother, Mrs. Bertha Reed, drove to Norfolk Sunday to visit with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Townsend of Page, who are staying with their daughter, Mrs. Frank Chmeler. The group had dinner at the Chmeler cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Park and family of Orchard, Mr. and Mrs. Neven Ickes, Jr., and family, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Trowbridge of Page and Ronald Park of Wayne were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Park.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Asher of O'Neill and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Asher and family spent Sunday afternoon with Jerry and Ben's mother, Mrs. Neil Asher. The Jerry Ashers were supper guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fuselman.

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