

14,000 Miles in 1939 Jalopy Without a Flat

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A Page small-scale farmer, Duran Rutherford, has the distinction of having driven more than 14,000 interesting miles devoid of accident or incident—without even so much as a flat tire to mar the pleasure of his travel.

In the making of that record, he has driven his 1939 model car over most of the famous federal and state highways and has visited 40 of the 48 states.

Leaving Page the first of December, 1933, after the farm work was done of the season, he visited his brother-in-law and sister and their family at Talaquah, Okla., and the Tommy Jacobsen family at Intercession City, Fla., enroute to Lake Alfred. He spent the months of December, January and February there picking oranges at 18 cents per box. A good picker could pick 80 to 100 boxes a day.

June 1 he began a leisurely trip north. Enroute he drank from the spring that seeped into the Confederate prison at Andersonville, Ga. That famous spot has been made into a park.

He visited the Bible school at Cincinnati, O., and the mission at Crosswell, Mich., on his way to an apple-picking job at Gibsonsburg, O.

He rented his farm that season and December 1, 1933, found him on his way back to Lake Alfred for three months of orange picking. This time he traveled the famous Pennsylvania turnpike, which he thinks is 90 percent safer than other highways. He crossed the Potomac river and drove through the historic Shenandoah valley on the east side of the Blue Ridge mountains.

He climbed a 2,800-foot mountain just for the thrill and drove through Carolina and Georgia on the coastal side.

On March 8, Duran began the long trek home by way of Columbus, Ga., Vicksburg, Miss., Shreveport, La., Texarkana, Ark., and Talaquah, Okla., through Kansas City to Humboldt, where he visited Friel Kerns.

He looked up some friends at Lincoln and arrived home in time to assist his brother, Homer, with the farming operations during the '34 season.

Early fall found Homer in possession of the cornpicking job and Duran taking to the open road. This time he headed west with intentions of picking apples in Washington state.

He visited the Bill Townsends at Osage, Wyo., Joe McGinties at Portland, Ore., and Matt Rhodes, his mother and sisters at Bakersfield, Calif., arriving at the home of his cousin, Walter Hunt, at Riverside, Calif., in time for Christmas.

There he met a number of old acquaintances and acquainted himself with the strange winter weather conditions for the Christmas season.

He continued his way following the established southern route to Phoenix, Ariz., where he spent a month with his nephew, Norman Wood.

Thirty days of apple picking netted him \$270 but a day's work is quickly translated into gas, oil and food, necessities of travel. Duran returned to his home at Page, through Colorado, and settled himself down to another work season in order that he might be ready for another travel season, providing the crops turn back sufficient profit to warrant the expenditure.

What was early fall in Nebraska changed in a week's time to harvest time of fall fruit in the Northwest, with sage brush and mountainous regions in between. Unbelievable, the comparison between a snowbound, frigid Nebraska Christmas season and the strange atmosphere of the more temperate California.

The urge to see America first has left Duran only North Dakota, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Jersey and Delaware yet to visit.

With his guitar as his traveling companion, he has found the fruit camp people and small church groups appreciative audiences as he sang and played his own accompaniment.

With pardonable pride, Duran will tell you, he drove a nondescript jalopy over 14,000 miles without expense other than necessary gas and oil and the ordinary care given any motor in daily use.



Mrs. Harold E. Fernau... June bride in church ceremony at Butte.

Mrs. Helen Glandt Expires in Hospital

LYNCH — Word was received in Lynch by friends telling of the death of Mrs. Helen Glandt at a Norfolk hospital. Mrs. Glandt will be remembered as the former Miss Helen Roe, oldest daughter of the late C. F. Roe, formerly of Lynch.

Mrs. Glandt had been a hospital patient for several years.

Other Lynch News

Mr. and Mrs. Don Allen and family visited at the Sorenson home at Star Wednesday evening, July 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Glaze of Rapid City, S.D., visited Lynch friends last week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mahlen-dorf and daughters were Butte visitors Tuesday, July 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Tater Merchant of New Mexico are here visiting the former's mother, Mrs. Vera Allen, and family.

Clair Conway and son, Tommy, of Sioux City spent Friday at the Wallace Courtney home.

Mrs. Charles Hull of Uta visited Mrs. Hull at the George Tuch home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Jehorek of Ogallala spent the weekend at the Vince Jehorek home. The men are brothers.

Herb Whetham and daughters, Edith and Marian, of Omaha spent the Fourth of July weekend at Ed Whethams.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kascan and family of Butte spent last Thursday at the Wallace Courtney home assisting Wallace celebrate his birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Zach and family of Niobrara spent Sunday visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Papstein and son of Spencer spent Saturday with Mrs. N. E. Bjornsen.

Mr. and Mrs. Barry Baker of Fairfax, S.D., spent Sunday here with relatives.

Bud Spelts arrived home Saturday, July 2, for a 20-day furlough with his mother here. Bud is in the air force.

Kenneth Stewart arrived here Thursday, June 30, for a 20-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Stewart. Kenneth is in the air force.

Mr. and Mrs. John Whetham of Greeley, Colo., spent several days recently visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Whetham.

Jerry Courtney accompanied her brother, A/c George Courtney, to visit at the Frank Courtney home in Oregon. George will then report to his camp in Washington state.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hammon and family of Bristow visited at the Ed Johns home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Vince Jehorek and relatives from Ogallala were sightseeing at Ft. Randall all Sunday, July 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Darnell are due home this week having been vacationing on the West coast for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Held of Page and Mr. and Mrs. Erroll Field and family of Star enjoyed a picnic supper at the Don Allen home July 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Reggie Pinkerman and baby of Redbird were Lynch visitors Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Norton Christensen and Russell Christensen of St. Paul, Minn., visited Lynch friends Sunday. The men are former Lynchites.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed McGintie of El Monte, Calif., spent last week visiting oldtime friends here. Mr. McGintie was a Lynch grocer 35 years ago.

Claude Petersen of Omaha has been visiting the Leman Huber home the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Whetham accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whetham to Omaha and Lincoln to visit relatives.

Mrs. Don Allen attended the Dusatko funeral at O'Neill on Wednesday, June 29.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Crawford and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Kern and family of Sheridan, Wyo., at the Dalbert Nelson home near Redbird Sunday, July 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Halva attended the funeral of their nephew, William Mitchell held at Butte Tuesday, July 5.

Mrs. Tillie Novak and son, Louis, spent Friday afternoon at the Vince Jehorek home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Purviance attended the William Mitchell funeral at Butte Tuesday, July 5.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Jones will now be stationed at the 30-day furlough here with his parents and other relatives. He had been in Tokyo, Japan, for several months.

Joe Randy Micanek, Albert Lee Brady, Kathleen McDonald, Veronica McDonald and Jackie Lueken recently attended 4-H camp at Long Pine.

Rev. J. Keith Cunningham returned home Saturday, July 2, from Fairmont, Ind., where he attended the Wesleyan 29th quadrennial general conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Clem Poole of Ohio visited relatives here recently.

Report Given on 4-H Club Camp

The Elkhorn Valley 4-H club met at the Allen Miller home Friday, July 1. All members were present except two. Roll call was answered by naming "something you have done to prevent an accident." Terry and Lynn Gallagher gave a report on 4-H club camp held at Long Pine as they were the only two from our club attending.

After the business meeting Emily Dusatko and Ruth Ann Schaaf gave a demonstration on making a pin cushion. After the different projects had met, we had pie and kool-aid for lunch. On Wednesday afternoon, June 22, the sewing project girls met at the Elmer Schaaf home and finished painting their sewing boxes, cut out their needle cases, and made pin cushions.

The next meeting will be held at the Mary Lewis home Friday evening, July 15.—By Maureen Schaaf, newsreporter.

Enjoyable Day Spent on Club Tour

The Elkhorn Valley 4-H club went on their club tour June 22, sightseeing at Ft. Randall dam.

Seven families made the trip: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Judge and family, Mr. and Mrs. George Skopec and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Schaaf and family, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Miller and family, Mrs. Leonard Dusatko and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Grothe, jr., and Fred, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grothe and family, Mrs. William Grothe, sr., Mrs. Ruth Barnes and Lorene Judge. They gathered at Emmet and left together. At noon we ate our picnic dinner at Rest Haven at Lake Andes, S.D.

After dinner we looked at everything of interest around the lake. We then went to the Ft.

Holt Legion, Aux to Convene at Page

ATKINSON—The annual Holt county convention of the American Legion and auxiliary will be held at Page Friday evening, July 15, with the Page post and auxiliary unit in charge.

Legionaires and auxiliary members will be present from Atkinson, Stuart, O'Neill, Chambers, Ewing and Page. County Commander John Grutsch of O'Neill and county auxiliary president Mrs. Grutsch will be in charge of the meeting. District Commander, Jerome Henn of Petersburg and District Vice-Commander, Charles E. Chace of Atkinson will be present. Mrs. C. C. Atkinson, district president of the auxiliary, has also been invited.

In addition to the regular order of business, there will be an election of county officers.

Bride-Elect Feted at O'Neill

STUART—Miss Helen Martens of Atkinson and Miss Arlene Ru-roede of O'Neill entertained at a pre-nuptial shower for Miss Helen Engler at the Muff apartment in O'Neill Thursday evening, July 7.

Miss Engler received many gifts. A lunch was served by the hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Byers and Mrs. C. E. Yantzi came Saturday from Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Byers returned on Sunday. Mrs. Yantzi remained for a longer visit.

Stuart News

A/c Mark B. Kaup is spending a 30-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kaup, Jr. Airman Kaup came from Scott air force base in Illinois.

A/c Duane Ackerman of Kelly air force base, San Antonio, Tex., reports back this week after spending a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Ackerman.

Pvt. Willis Berry left Saturday for Ft. Bliss, Tex., after spending a 10-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Berry.

Norbert Kaestle and Mrs. Marie Brunsmann of Cincinnati, O., came Sunday to spend a week visiting Mrs. Anna Meusch and other relatives.

Mrs. Carl Kaestle and daughter, Laureen, who have been visiting here the past two weeks, will return home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Engler and daughter, Helen, visited with Mr. and Mrs. John Simons in Valentine Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Higgins of Brockburg visited with Mrs. Josephine Timmermans Saturday.

Mrs. Julie Fountain of Clinton, Ind., came Friday to the Cal Allyn home to meet her mother, Mrs. Mertie Parrish of Thompson Falls, Mont., and left on Saturday, taking Mrs. Parrish home with her. Mrs. Parrish had been visiting at the Allyn home three weeks, having come with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Shire of Scapoose, Ore. Mrs. Parrish is a sister of Mr. Allyn and Mrs. Fountain and Mrs. Shire are nieces.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Wymore of Council Bluffs, Ia., visited from Friday until Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Shearer. Mr. Wymore is a brother of Mrs. Shearer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Allyn and family of Grants Pass, Ore., visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cal Allyn, and other relatives from Tuesday, July 5, until Friday.

Mrs. Bruns Notes Anniversary

Mrs. J. R. Bruns celebrated her birthday anniversary Sunday afternoon at her home in O'Neill. The following were in attendance:

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bruns and family and Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Poland, all of Sargent; Mr. and Mrs. Connie Calloway and family and Mr. and Mrs. Don Jackson and family, all of Ainsworth; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Niefeld of Grand Island; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Calkins and family, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hunt and Mrs. Inna Redd, all of O'Neill. Mrs. Harold Calkins baked the birthday cake.

William R. Holsclaw, accompanied by his sister, Mrs. Merle Murdy, came Saturday from Lincoln to visit their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Holsclaw. Mr. Holsclaw stayed Saturday night at Lynch, where his wife and daughter were visiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs. William Holsclaw and daughter, Judy, and Mrs. Murdy returned to Lincoln Sunday afternoon.

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Mary Lou Podany Weds Harold Fernau

BUTTE—Miss Mary Lou Podany, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Podany, and Harold E. Fernau, son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Fernau, were married Saturday, June 18, in the St. Peter and Paul Catholic church at Butte. Rev. Edward Gill officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

Miss Shirley Podany sister of the bride, was maid-of-honor. Miss Dorothy Hahn, classmate of the bride, was bridesmaid. Lucy Kay Podany and Kathy V. Fernau were flower girls. Rodney Fish was ringbearer.

Dean Fernau, brother of the bridegroom, served as bestman. Merle Sieler, cousin of the bridegroom, was groomsman. Ushers were Keith Wilson and Marlow Halbur.

Miss Helen Ien, organist, played the wedding music and accompanied Donald Schmitz as he sang. A dinner was served to 135 guests at the Butte Legion hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fernau are graduates of the Butte high school. They will make their home in Butte after a wedding trip to the Black Hills.

Escape Injury When Car Upsets

CHAMBERS—Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jungbluth and four boys were involved in what might have been a serious accident last Thursday afternoon. Their car, an old Ford, went out of control on U.S. highway 281 near where the new oil joins the old road, nine miles northeast of Chambers.

The car turned over in the ditch, badly damaging the machine. None of the occupants was injured. Roland Harvey brought the family home.

Eagle Creek Clubbers Spend Fourth at Andes

A Fourth of July picnic was enjoyed by the members of the Eagle Creek 4-H club at Rest Haven on Lake Andes, S.D. One member, Janet Hull, was absent.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. James Curran and Ardell and Judy and Peggy Curran.

Some of the members stopped at Pickstown, S.D. on the way home and enjoyed a motor boat ride.—By Mary Jo Curran, news reporter.

Arrive From Omaha

Mr. Joe Swoboda and daughter, Delores, of Omaha came Saturday, July 2, to spend a few days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bartos and family.

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