

Capitol News - Average Motorist Spends \$973 Yearly to Operate His Auto

LINCOLN—Yearly costs of operating a car have been calculated by the State Highway Department.

State Engineer John Hossack says the average motorist spends \$973 annually to own and operate an automobile. Of the total, taxes and fees account for 12%.

Thus, reasons Hossack, the motorist spends 9.8 cents per mile to own and operate his car, with contributions to highways of only 1.2 cents per mile.

The figures are the national averages and show the normal driver buys 697 gallons of gasoline per year, contributing about \$70 in gas and oil taxes to the cost of building and maintaining highways, and \$15.15 in fees.

Taxes on the automobile, not earmarked for the highways, add another \$31.11. Hossack says the average state gasoline tax is 5.9 cents per gallon. This compares with seven cents for Nebraska.

What happens to the tax dollars shelled out by drivers for their share of building and maintaining the nation's highways and streets?

Hossack said 60 cents of each dollar goes for new construction, 23 cents for maintenance and repair and 17 cents is set aside for administration, police services and debt retirement.

During a year, the engineer noted, the average motorist will travel 9,969 miles. Of the total, 2,593 miles or 26% will be commuting to and from work. Shopping, recreational, religious or social activities will account for 5,612 miles or 56% and the remaining 1,764 miles or 18% will be for business purposes.

Capital Punishment
Backers of a bill to abolish capital punishment in Nebraska need an educational campaign. That's the belief of Sen. Edwin McHugh of Murdock, who intro-

duced the legislation in the Legislature. His bill was killed by a 5-4 vote of the judiciary committee.

After a two-hour committee hearing, McHugh said he would not try to have the measure debated on the floor.

The senator would have abolished the death penalty for all crimes in Nebraska except treason. Law enforcement officers opposed the bill while ministers were divided on the question.

Legislative Districts
The warning flag went up on legislative reapportionment changes this session when the government committee of the Legislature killed two bills on the subject.

Lawmakers have never agreed on reapportionment of the 43 unicameral districts, to get a more equal population per senator, but some observers had been hopeful senatorial pay boosts would aid the cause this time.

Killed were LB 353 which proposed a Constitutional amendment increasing the Unicameral maximum number from the current 50 to the 60-75 range, and LB 354, a proposed amendment to require redistricting every 10 years.

Two other bills given to the committee would boost the number of senators to 50 as permitted under the present Constitution, and give weight to both area and population in redistricting.

Four Year Terms
The Legislature feels the governor should have four-year terms instead of the present two-year ones.

Lawmakers passed 39-1, a bill calling for a vote in 1962 on a Constitutional amendment. Four-year terms would start with the

1966 election if voters approved the proposal at the polls.

Originally, the legislation called for the governor and lieutenant governor to run as a team. This idea had the support of Gov. Frank Morrison. But the lawmakers struck out the team provision, leaving the bill to provide only for four-year terms. Other state officials would continue on two-year terms.

The senators also approved a measure earlier that would permit the lieutenant governor to run for governor during his term as lieutenant governor. This also requires a Constitutional amendment. Turned down was a proposal to allow other elected state officials to run for governor. Now all wait a full term before filing.

Underground Capitol
The Legislature's Government Committee liked the idea of an underground Capitol, to be used in case of national emergency. It sent to the floor a bill authorizing spending of \$190,000 to build an emergency government in Lincoln, about a mile north of the statehouse. Money would come from the state's institutional building fund.

Nebraska Crime
State senators have gone on record for a crime study in Nebraska that will produce recommendations to combat increased lawlessness.

The solons approved a resolution by Sen. John Munnally of Omaha. Munnally said the resolution was prompted by discussion of a crime hike in the Omaha area.

Munnally announced he would propose a study in this field also by a committee of state senators after the Legislature adjourns.

The resolution, the Omaha lawmaker said, would serve notice that the state is interested in taking action to retard any crime wave in Nebraska.

Homemakers Corner
By Catherine Indra
Home Extension Agent

Spring is no longer just around the corner—calendarwise, at any rate. This being the fact, gardens become an important part of spring planning around the home.

As you start to plan, perhaps you wonder if the work is worth the effort. If you are in doubt here are some facts about home gardens.

A garden designed to feed a family of five requires a plot about 100 x 150 feet. This is approximately one-third of an acre. The value of this garden in 1960 prices was from \$294.50 to \$410.10. In terms of acres this would range from \$753.50 to \$1230.30 per acre. This range in value comes through using the highest and lowest values from a suggested price list for the products.

Well planned food production and preservation can reduce cash expense for food. A well planned garden of adequate size can give enjoyment in good eating throughout the year.

The farm family probably has the best opportunity for a garden. Even so, the town back yard or vacant lot garden can supply an important proportion of fresh vegetables. It can furnish a surplus for storing, canning, freezing, or drying.

Vegetables harvested from one's own garden at the right time are of superior quality, too. Of course, a garden is work, but what other crop could you plant that is not work?

To get the most from the garden it will take good management. Plant the right variety, the right amount, and the kinds of vegetables the family will eat. Hold the size of the garden to one that can be cared for properly. You can have more vegetables from 100 square feet of garden that is given good care, than from several hundred square feet of garden that is neglected. Perhaps you could plant some vegetables in the field for easy cultivating. Plant others near the house to simplify care and make

it easy to obtain the vegetables for meal preparation.

EC 1274 "Garden Vegetables" will tell you what varieties are recommended for Nebraska. It also indicates those varieties suitable for freezing. The bulletin will also give you other information to help you grow a successful garden. Request it from the County Agents' office.

Fort Randall News

Janice Kirwan

(Last Week's News)

Birthday Party Held Friday

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Olson and Waldon, Mr. and Mrs. Don Olson and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Kirwan and Mary Jane, Olga Bengston and her brother, Mauritz, Clarinda Pearson and her brother, Friedoff, Dave Lundstrum, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Nyquist and Charlie and Mrs. Harry Mostrom and Elmer helped Melvin Anderson celebrate his birthday Friday evening. A lunch was served after the social evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Nyquist and Lavonne of Spencer were Easter Sunday dinner guests at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Nyquist.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cassidy, Darrell and Stevie were Wednesday evening visitors at the home of his parents, Mrs. John Cassidy sr. of Spencer.

Mary Jane Kirwan was a Thursday overnight guest at the Tony Skorpik home in Pickstown, S. D.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Janousek, Dougie, Debbie and Kevin of Omaha, Ia., were Easter Sunday coffee guests at the G. R. Kirwan home.

The senior class of Pickstown high school held its class play Tuesday night and many from this community attended.

Mrs. Ed Cassidy and Janet visited their mother and grand-mother, Mrs. Levi in the Lynch hospital Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Gray and Jolene and Mrs. Doris Connot of Fairfax were Thursday evening visitors at the G. R. Kirwan home.

Janice Kirwan was a Thursday overnight guest at the Lauren Ketelsen home in Pickstown, S.D.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hausmann and Jill of Bristow were Easter Sunday supper guests at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hausmann of Bonesteel.

Mrs. Norman Sevine of Omaha brought her children, Debbie, Pat and Stevie, to the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Donlin sr. where they spent a week. Their parents came for them Easter Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hausmann and Jill of Bristow were among the friends who called at the Henry Connot home Saturday evening to help Mrs. Connot celebrate her birthday.

Mrs. G. R. Kirwan and Mary Jane and Mrs. Ed Cassidy and Virginia attended the county spelling contest where Virginia represented the seventh grade and Mary Jane the fourth grade from Pickstown grade school. The contest was held in the Lake Andes public school.

Ed Cassidy called at the home of his mother, Mrs. John Cassidy sr. in Spencer Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kirwan sr. and Philip helped Susan Kirwan celebrate her eighteenth birthday Thursday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kirwan.

Mrs. Ed Cassidy entertained a group of Janet's friends from Springfield college Friday afternoon, members of the "Southernaires", a musical combo. That evening Mr. and Mrs. Ray and Doris Randy, Dick Castle, and Kent Farmer joined them at the Cassidy home where the latter four and Virginia Cassidy are members of the "Pickstownaires", a musical combo. They entered the talent contest in Bristow Friday evening where the "South-

ernaires" placed second in the adult division.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kirwan jr. and girls of Lincoln spent the Easter weekend visiting with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kirwan sr. of Fort Randall, and Mr. and Mrs. Chet Salmen of Fairfax.

Charles Nyquist was a Thursday overnight guest at the Tony Skorpik home in Pickstown, S.D.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Kirwan and Mary Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Don Olson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Embrey Olson, Conrad and Lorin, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kirwan and family, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Anderson and family, Eric Olson, Dave Lundstrom, Mr. and Mrs. Walt Nyquist and Charlie, Mrs. Harry Mostrom and Elmer, O. Harry Bengston and her brother, Mauritz and Clarinda Pearson and her brother, Friedoff, helped Mrs. Clarence Olson celebrate her birthday Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry Donlin and son, Terry jr., were Easter weekend guests at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Donlin sr.

Janice, Joe and Mary Jane Kirwan, Phillip Kirwan, Charles Nyquist, Virginia Cassidy, John, Susan and Jim Kirwan, were among those from the Pickstown school who attended the music contest in Mitchell, S. D. Friday. The band, girls glee and boys glee received a first rating and the mixed chorus received a second rating.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gaskill and grandson, Terry McHenry, of Albion spent the past week visiting at the Dan and G. R. Kirwan homes.

Tony Urevig of Franzen, Minn. arrived Monday evening at the home of his aunt, Mrs. G. R. Kirwan and family for an extended visit.

Mrs. Melvin Anderson, Peggy and Kathy, and her mother, Mrs. Arden Johnson were O'Neill business callers Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Donlin jr. and daughter spent the Easter weekend visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Donlin sr.

Conrad Olson and Harold Roeder were Sunday evening callers at the G. R. Kirwan home.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hausmann and Jill were Easter Sunday dinner guests at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Kirwan.

Clearwater News

Mrs. Charles Curtright

Hunter 5-3290

R. W. Hank

Sell Personal

Property Apr. 15

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Hank disposed of their personal property and contents of their rooming house just west of main street at public auction here Saturday. A strong chilling north wind, kept the bidding at a good pace. A variety of items were offered for sale, antiques and a wide range of appliances and furniture. Les Berg of Neligh put the highest bid on a hand piece, one hundred year old quilt. The Hanks are leaving Clearwater. Their rooming house purchased by the local mortician, Walter Snider, will be remodeled into a modern funeral home.

The Red Cross Drive has been completed here and \$118.15 was realized. A house to house canvass was held.

Mrs. Omer Hoffman was released from Antelope Memorial hospital Saturday evening where she has been a patient for several days.

Mrs. Floyd Neal is a patient in Norfolk hospital.

The Clearwater Women's Bowling association held a meeting Friday night at the Legion hall. Election of officers was held and new rules were made for the coming season. Anyone wishing information concerning these rules may contact any of the following new officers: president, Joan Moser; vice president, Lizzie Kaster; Thursday night league secretary, Mrs. James Wiegand; sergeant at arms, Mrs. Vincent Thiele. Plans were made for a banquet which includes both Monday and Thursday night Leagues. The date of the banquet is May 15, and will be held at Norfolk.

Howard Luben entered the Lutheran hospital at Norfolk Monday morning and will be confined

there for several days, receiving treatment.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cartright were Friday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Jacobsen.

Mrs. Marie Lund of Norfolk is a guest at the Jack Lund home this week helping care for the new baby while Mrs. Lund spends time at the hospital with Jackie.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Jacobsen were Sunday night supper guests at the Melvin Jacobsen home.

Venus News

By Mrs. Ralph Brookhouse

Boelter Family Has Moved to Orchard Area

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Boelter and daughter moved April 11 to a farm south of Orchard from the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Waring in the Grimont vicinity.

Many from the community attended the wedding dance Thursday given by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Newhaus.

Mrs. Harry Caskey, Mrs. Archie Moser and Mrs. Donald Caskey and family visited at the Lavern Caskey home at O'Neill Friday.

Viola Pospeshil entertained the Work and Fun club at her home

Wednesday afternoon. Twelve members were present. The afternoon was spent in quilting on a quilt for the hostess. Mrs. Pospeshil served a lunch at the close of the afternoon. Mrs. F. E. Pierce will have the next meeting May 10.

Patty Dietrich of Verdigris spent Monday night with her classmate, Annette Uhler.

Harrison Evans returned last week from the west coast, where he has been visiting with his daughter since last fall. At Salmen, Ore, he visited with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Barker and Mr. and Mrs. Ringier and daughter, and at Boise, Ida., with Mr. and Mrs. Stoner.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hegge-meyer and family of Wayne visited with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Hegge-meyer over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brookhouse visited April 9 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Brookhouse of Grand Island.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tyler Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Caskey.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Chihlar and daughters visited at the Donald Kinnison home Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Falter of Creighton visited at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Von Seggren, April 7. Darvin and Danise Falter returned home with their parents after spending a few days with their grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Butterfield visited at the Ora Caskey home Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Caskey, Larry and Gary were April 9 dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Asher at Norfolk.

Many from the vicinity watched Mrs. Lyle Hansen of Omaha bowl on television April 9. Mrs. Hansen is the former Lois Cedberg of this community.

Word was received by Mrs. Paul Chihlar April 1 of the death of her father, Emil Block of Tacoma, Wash., that day. Mrs. Chihlar left for Tacoma April 3 via plane from Norfolk.

Among those attending the funeral Wednesday of Mrs. Gertrude Cleveland were Mr. and Mrs. H. J. LeMasters, Mr. and Mrs. James Podany, Mrs. Max LeMasters, Mrs. Dale Dorr and Vlasta and Viola Pospeshil.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Montgomery and Mr. and Mrs. Max LeMasters were Sioux City visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Annie Russel of Plainview visited at the Grandma Evans home this week.

Nels Lindquist of O'Neill, Soren Sorenson jr. and Mrs. Mary Volquardsen and Johnnie called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Podony Wednesday.

Roland Cook called at the Vincent Jackson and Donald Kinnison homes Wednesday.

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