

Nehawka

Glen Rutlege was called to Plattsburgh on last Saturday where he was looking after some business matters for a time.

Mrs. Benson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Rough, making her home at Iowa City, has been visiting at the Rough home during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Taft Pollard who have been making their home in Lincoln were home for the Christmas vacation, visiting with J. J. Pollard and wife.

W. H. Kruger and the family were enjoying the Christmas dinner at the home of the parents of Mrs. Kruger, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Murdoch, where all enjoyed a very fine dinner.

Messrs. and Mesdames Vilas Kettlehus and John W. Murdoch were guests for the day with their families at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Warden for Christmas and an excellent dinner.

Mrs. John O. Yeiser and the kids arrived in Nehawka last Tuesday evening for a visit at the home of Grandfather and Grandmother Sturm for a few days during the Christmas vacation.

Thomas E. Fulton who has been in poor health for some time past is at this time feeling much improved and is able to be about the house again. His daughters, Mrs. Albert Stoll and Mrs. Harold Kimball and son, are visiting here for the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Fulton.

Grandmother Betts Dies.

On last Tuesday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wm. August, Mrs. T. Betts, widow of the late Tippecanoe Betts, died early Monday morning at the advanced age of 85 years. She had been making her home for some time with her daughter, who had cared for her. She had not been in the very best of health for some time, but has been able to be out of late.

Grandmother Betts was born in 1849, the year of the gold rush to California and her life span has extended over many years of the history of America. She leaves many friends who will remember this excellent woman for her many kind acts and deeds.

Services at Methodist Church,
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Visited at Rock Port.
John Opp and family and Enos Plunket departed early on Christmas day for Rock Port, Mo., where they spent the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Curtis, Mr. Curtis being a brother of Mrs. John Opp. They enjoyed a very fine Christmas dinner.

Attended Wedding Friday.
Mr. and Mrs. Arno Wessell and son of Des Moines received an invitation to attend the wedding of the sister of Mrs. Wessell and accordingly drove from their home in Des Moines and attended the wedding last Friday at Omaha. On Saturday they came to Nehawka where they visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wessell, returning to Omaha Sunday, returned to Nehawka Monday evening, enjoying a Christmas dinner at the home of Arno's parents. They departed Wednesday for their Iowa home.

Christmas at Weeping Water.
Mr. and Mrs. George C. Sheldon and their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Marion N. Tucker and Mrs. Frank E. Sheldon and Sheldon Mitchell, Vilas Sheldon and family were guests for the day on Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Olive of Weeping Water where also were gathered all the families of the Sheldons and they all enjoyed the very fine visit and excellent dinner.

Family Dinner at Lorton.
C. Steffens and wife of Lorton, parents of Mr. John Steffens and Mrs. Albert Anderson entertained at their home on Tuesday, Christmas day, and had as their guests the members of the family. They were the families of John H. Steffens and Albert Anderson of Nehawka; Frank Horstman and family of Dunbar and Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Cunningham and family of Norfolk and Miss Margaret Steffens of Chicago who is at this time visiting at home. They all enjoyed a very fine time and dinner.

Visiting in Missouri
Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Pollard and two daughters were guests at Lincoln for a very fine Christmas din-

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and on Wednesday departed for Missouri, where they are spending a few days at the home of a sister of Mrs. Pollard.

Entertained for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Palmer entertained for the day on Christmas and for a very fine dinner and had as guests, their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Quinton and family of Lincoln, James M. Dunbar and family of Aurora.

Mrs. Rough Poorly.

Mrs. J. S. Rough has not been in the best of health for some time past and has been troubled with gall stones which has caused her a great deal of suffering. She was taken to Lincoln to the Bryan Memorial hospital where she has been receiving treatment, to put her in the best of condition for the operation which the surgeons at the hospital say is needed.

She has been getting along very nicely at the hospital and her friends are hoping that she may soon be well and home again.

Rural Buying Power Better During Year

Improved Farm Prices Credited; Greater Confidence Is Felt; Exports Increase.

Washington, Dec. 23.—Purchasing power in rural areas was described today in the annual report of the secretary of commerce as having "improved greatly during the year."

"Major factors of this improvement," the report said, "were the marked upward trend of farm prices and the payments made to farmers by the federal government in conformity with the agricultural adjustment program."

"Cash income from farm marketing amounted to \$5,284,000,000, an increase of 26 per cent over the total of \$4,182,000,000 in the preceding fiscal year. The increase of 45 per cent in the value of crops was nearly four times as large relatively as the increase for live stock and live stock products."

"These figures do not include the income from rental and benefit payments, which amounted to \$10 million dollars. No payments of this kind were made in the preceding fiscal year. Thus, total cash income from marketings and from the AAA showed an increase of one-third."

Retail Trade Progresses.

Retail trade, which has shown a lagging tendency toward the close of the fiscal year 1932-33 was described in the report as making "steady progress" during the past year.

"The increase in sales was relatively large," the report stated "in rural areas, where the recovery in purchasing power was especially marked."

Total agricultural exports amounted to \$787,259,000 during the year. The report said this was a 34 per cent increase. The gain, it said, was due chiefly to advances in commodity prices, since the total volume of agricultural exports declined about 2 per cent. Meat products showed a 3 per cent export increase.

No General Recommendations.

The secretary made no general recommendations for legislation at the next session.

The 1933 increase in manufacturers, the secretary said this "probably" was part of a natural cyclical upturn, but that this was "greatly augmented by the increase in confidence which was engendered by the advent of the new administration together with the belief that inflationary policies would be followed" and a desire to manufacture as much as possible before the NRA increased costs.

In his general business review, the secretary reported an improvement in profits of industry, but found the capital goods industries depressed and private construction low.

COUNCILMAN RESIGNS

Fremont, Neb.—City Councilman Carl A. Fritz has resigned, effective Dec. 31, to become a member of the Dodge county board of supervisors. He was elected to the board in the November election.

Demand Early Solution for the Liquor Issue

Size of New One-House Body To Be Decided; Pari-Mutuel Betting Control Is Also Up.

Lincoln, Dec. 23.—Legislation in the making in the 1935 session of the Nebraska legislature promises spectacular events in the state's history.

A hundred questions, some born of new deals, new philosophies and new fields, and likewise some older than the state itself, stand ready to file themselves at the 1933 members of the two legislative branches.

Liquor Question Up.

One of the first questions asked by the public of the 1935 legislature is about liquor, against which the constitutional prohibition was removed by a 19,000 majority at the Nov. 6 election.

Out of more than two dozen legislators interviewed, a slightly larger number favored a state monopoly on the sale of liquor than favored licensing.

One definite trend was shown on liquor legislation. Local or county option leads easily as against a blanket licensing power by the state.

Prefer Home Drinking.

Preference was shown for a ban on consumption of liquor upon the premises where sold. Some would permit drinking in hotels and clubs, but many more asked a flat restriction of drinking to the home.

A nearly even split occurred on whether to handle hard liquor and beer in the same or in different ways.

William H. Wright, attorney general-elect, acting in co-operation with Governor-elect R. L. Cochran, is making a survey of how other states handle the problem.

Revenue Question.

The liquor legislation problem divides itself into different phases. First the legislature must decide whether revenue is to be a major objective. There is the problem of the relation of legalized public drinking to actual temperance. Enforcement is also a matter under repeal.

The most unusual feature of the 1935 session is that it will be the last two-house lawmaking body in the state.

By a vote of 286,086 to 193,152 Nebraska decreed that beginning with 1937 the legislature will consist of only one chamber.

Must Fix Number.

Contrasted with the 193 house and 33 senate members of the present plan, the new system will include between 30 and 50 lawmakers. An important 1935 legislature task will be to fix that number.

Representative-elect Edward D. McKim of Omaha favors 48 members, a third of whom would be elected for six years term for legislators.

The problem of private versus state operation of pari-mutuel betting systems at racing tracks, arising from another constitutional amendment adopted Nov. 6, brought a more even division of opinion. A majority favored private control. One legislator suggested private control with a 66.6 per cent state tax on the proceeds. Another suggested 10 per cent as a proper tax.

INVESTIGATE SAFE BLOWING

McCook, Neb.—Red Willow county authorities are investigating three safe blowing attempts at Danbury and Lebanon.

Officers were called to Danbury after an attempt to blow open the safe of the Farmers' Equity elevator there. The charge was not heavy enough, officers said, and the eggs could not get in the safe.

Safes at two elevators at Lebanon were blown open early Sunday. Officers said only a few dollars was taken at Lebanon. The towns are about seven miles apart.

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UNION ITEMS.

Ollie Atteberry and wife were spending their Christmas at the home of their parents at Peru.

Louis Kropp of Nebraska City was looking after some business matters in Union on Thursday of last week. Wayne Ackley and family were enjoying a visit last Tuesday at the home of their parents at Riverton, Iowa.

R. E. Foster and wife were over to Plattsmouth on last Friday where they were doing some Christmas shopping and visiting with friends.

Joseph Lidgett who has been in poor health for some time past is at this time reported as being much improved and is able to be about again.

E. E. Leach and wife, their daughter, Miss Harriet and Joe, their son, were spending Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Propst of Nebraska City.

The ladies of Union enjoyed a shower in honor of Mrs. Ora Guarra, formerly Miss Ora Clarke which they gave last week and when all enjoyed a very pleasant time.

John Erwin, Jr., who has been visiting for the last two weeks at St. Charles, Mo., returned last Sunday and reports that he enjoyed a very fine time while he was away.

Fleming W. Robb and family of Lincoln were visiting in Union last Tuesday, guests at the home of Mont Robb and daughter, Miss Augusta, where all enjoyed a very fine dinner.

Mesdames Daniel Lynn, George Hastings and S. W. Copenhaven were visiting for the day last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Snavely, where all enjoyed a very pleasant visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Meisinger and kiddies were over to Weeping Water last Sunday where they were guests at the home of Mrs. Joan Carter for the day and one of the very finest of dinners.

Charles Atteberry and family were guests for the day on Christmas at the home of Mrs. Atteberry's grandmother, Mrs. John Campbell of Murray where they enjoyed a good visit and a fine dinner.

C. E. Morris and family were over to Louisville on last Sunday and again on Christmas day where they were the guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. Morris for the day and a very fine dinner.

Mrs. Stites, mother of George Stites who makes her home on the farm south of Union, was guest for the day and a very fine dinner on Christmas at the home of her son, George Stites and family.

Daniel Reynolds who was somewhat injured in a turnover with his car has not been able yet to return to his work at the service station and Homer Hunter has been looking after the business during his absence.

Will Clarke, who has been making his home at Grant, arrived in Union last Sunday and will visit for the time at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. E. Frans and husband. He will probably remain during the winter.

Ted McLain was over to Louisville on last Sunday and when he had started home and was turning around a corner the car turned over and caused this young man to get some bruises, but did very little damage to the car.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank L. Anderson entertained on Christmas day at their home in Union and had as their guests for the occasion Con Watkins and family and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Land where all enjoyed a very fine day and an excellent dinner.

Frank W. Martin and family were over to Nerawka on Christmas where they were at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ross where they were attending the program which was had at the foot of the Christmas tree and where the presents were distributed.

Howard Hanson and wife, formerly of South Omaha, but later making their home at Sioux City, were visiting in South Omaha with John Chase and accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Chase to Union on last Monday where Mr. Chase purchased a 37 pound turkey and as well visited at the home of Frank and Anna Bauer.

Bert Frans who has been working on the river had the misfortune to injure one of his feet while working when it was slippery, he and another man carrying a heavy rock when his foot slipped and the other man was unable to manage the rock and it fell on Bert's ankle which has put him out of commission since. He expects to be able to return to work in about a week.

Celebrated Fourth Quarter.

The ladies of the Baptist church who have a number of groups of birthday circles, held the fourth quarter meeting which consisted of those who had their birthdays in October, November and December, and for the last quarter there were

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eight having birthdays and therefore there were eight guests of honor. They all enjoyed a very fine time and as well had eats. There was some forty in attendance. Mrs. C. W. Clark received the prize for being the eldest in attendance.

Business Getting Better.

The Union Co-operative Credit Association which has been organized is doing very nicely at this time and every day since the opening of the business has seen a larger business than the day before. The deposits and memberships have increased each day. It looks like the members of this institution are going to make a success of furnishing a way to care for their banking needs.

Children All at Home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Upton were rejoiced on Christmas day when all the family were gathered around the festive board, with Grandmother Mrs. G. S. Upton as the honored guest. All three of the daughters and the son made a full house at the Christmas dinner table.

KIN REMAIN ON PAYROLLS

Washington.—There's been a lot of talk and dispute about relatives on the payroll but apparently it hasn't bothered one congressman. At any rate, forty-four clerks with the same names as the representatives for whom they work drew checks on the last payday.

Five thousand dollars a year, with a 5 percent cut slashing it to \$4,750, is the amount a congressman is allowed for clerk. He can hire two, and split his allowance any way he chooses so long as one of them gets no more than \$3,900 yearly.

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