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AVOCA NEWS

Monte Lumm was looking after business matters in Lincoln Saturday evening, driving over in his car.

John Marquardt was called to Weeping Water last Tuesday morning, where he was looking after business matters.

Elmer Corbin was in charge of the Ed Morley filling station one day last week, during Mr. Morley's absence.

A baby daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kammann last Friday. Mother and daughter doing nicely.

Business called Fred Marquardt to Lincoln last Tuesday. In driving over, he was accompanied by his wife and daughter Anna.

John Jorgensen of Weeping Water was looking after business matters in Avoca last Tuesday, as well as visiting his parents while here.

Louis Carsten and Elmer Hallstrom were in Elmwood Tuesday afternoon, where they attended the funeral of the late Richard C. Deles Derner.

Carl Maseman and wife of Lincoln were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Maseman last Sunday, and also enjoyed meeting other relatives and old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Freeman and son were in Union last Sunday, spending Mother's Day at the home of Mrs. Freeman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matt Midkiff.

Mrs. C. O. Zaiser, who was so seriously ill for some time, is now much improved and able to be up and about the home, although still not feeling the best.

There will be a candle lighting service at the Congregational church this coming Sunday evening. This is especially for the younger portion of the congregation. Older ones, however, are very welcome.

Edward Lawensen, who operates the elevator at Weeping Water, was a business visitor in Avoca on last Tuesday, coming for a load of barley, which was to be used in the grinding of feed for a customer at Weeping Water.

Edward Morley, Avoca precinct assessor, having completed the listing of property for the precinct, was in Plattsmouth last Tuesday, making his return at the office of County Assessor W. H. Puls. He also looked after business matters while in the county seat.

The road leading south of town to the county line has been graded and put in shape to receive a coat of crushed rock as part of the farm to market road program now being carried out in this county in conjunction with the Works Progress Administration of the Federal government.

Prof. H. H. Patterson, of Lincoln, who is a member of the teaching staff at the University of Nebraska, was the speaker at the Avoca commencement exercises and proved to be a very forceful and pleasant speaker, giving some good sound advice to the members of the graduating class.

Leona Everett and Mattie Voyles attended the May Day fete at the park in Weeping Water last Tuesday. Dorothy Everett, a member of the class of 1939 and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Everett was chosen as the May Queen. Both ladies also went over to attend the commencement exercises.

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Louis G. Todd, Now Deceased, a Great Golfer

Aged Nebraskan Made a Hole in One Last November on California Course—Died in April.

Long Beach has lost the oldest golfer who ever made a hole-in-one on a California course.

Lewie C. Todd, 78, who last November made a hole-in-one on the Municipal nine-hole links, died April 19, at his home, 2635 East First street, Long Beach, California.

He was born on May 20, 1860, and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Goodsell Todd, one of the pioneer families of Nebraska who were early residents of the vicinity where the village of Union, Cass county, Nebraska now stands.

Lewie, as he was called by his friends and neighbors, was beloved by all for his quiet and truest qualities of manhood, honesty and integrity.

With his characteristic ideals always before him, with marvelous heroism and patient fortitude he struggled to come back to health if as he said, it was God's will he would like to be spared to his wife and family a while longer.

Eleven months ago when his daughter Jessie passed away in Long Beach, he told his wife and loved ones he would like to be buried in California, at Sunnyvale Memorial Park, he bought plots for himself, wife and daughter, Lewie C. (who was named for him and is still living at home).

With native self-forgetfulness, being conscious up to the very last, he planned all his own funeral arrangements, his wife who had lovingly and tirelessly cared for him during the seven weeks of his last illness, his daughter Lewie C., a sister-in-law, Fern Hotelling, and the family physician, Dr. Blaine Young (who had been a daily caller) were with him when he quietly slipped away to the myriads of silver stars he envisioned and to the loved ones who had gone on before, into the upper room.

He was too ill to be told of the death of his son, Harold Todd of Imperial and of his brother, Levi G. Todd of Union, the three passing within a week.

Nothing is comparable to the strength and beauty of the full rounded life of useful service. His life was one of unusual activity, since retiring from the farm-life in Nebraska and buying their present home in Long Beach, twenty years ago he made forty-seven trips back to his farm, always driving his own automobile.

His pallbearers were Calvin Taylor, (former county attorney in Cass county) A. J. Beeson, (former county judge and resident of Plattsmouth), Arthur Wolph of Nehawka, Dr. Blaine Young (formerly of Omaha) and S. C. Briggs and Carl Redman (pals who had played golf with him and his daughter almost daily).

The cards and letters of sympathy and beautiful floral offerings were many and most beautiful from not only old and new friends in Long Beach but many coming from Nebraska and Colorado. Besides beautiful potted plants and flowers sent to the family, all of which was gratefully appreciated.

His triumphant entry into his Real Home, where there shall be no more parting where he shall have a glorified reunion with those who have gone on before. Such a life never dies!

Surviving are his widow, Alice Ferguson Todd; four daughters, Miss Lewie C. Todd, Long Beach, Mrs. Florence Sheldon, Nehawka, Mrs. Julia Tighe, Homer, Mrs. Genevieve Hoffmeier, Imperial. Two sons, Mark Todd, Dix, L. G. Todd, Sioux City, Iowa, and thirty-nine grandchildren, a brother John Todd of Canada, a sister, Mrs. Jessie McCleave, Omaha, Nebraska. The following children preceded him in death: Mary Todd Bonner, March 23, 1938, Jessie Todd Kidd, May 20, 1938, and Harold Todd, April 16, 1939.

Love will dream and faith will trust, Since he who knows our need is just, That sometime, somewhere, meet we must.

GUESTS AT CONIS HOME

Mr. and Mrs. George Conis entertained a group of the relatives and friends Sunday for the day at their home in this city. The party included Mr. and Mrs. Sam Conis and infant son of Perry, Iowa, Mrs. Gus Stavaron and children of Nebraska City, Mrs. Pete Ecomamas of Nebraska City and the mother of Mrs. Sam Conis who has been visiting at Perry and was on her way home to St. Louis.

who have been making their home on the farm a short distance in the country, have moved to town and will make Avoca their home. Their son, Herman, Jr., will farm the home place. Of course we do not expect Herman to batch and do the farm work at the same time.

Baccalaureate Sermon

Father Elmer McFadden, pastor of the Syracuse Catholic church and the Trinity Catholic church south-east of Avoca, delivered the baccalaureate sermon at the Congregational church in Avoca on Sunday evening, May 14. His address was filled with good advice to the graduates of the local high school, C. Horschild, Lola Wagner, Lucille Wagner, Pauline Wessell, Doris Ruhge, Geraldine Mickel, Leona Stoval, Charles Stunt, Roy Ruhge, Stuart Maseman, B. Glaubitz, Elwood Kreifel and Alvin Bennett.

Entertained on Mothers' Day

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Nutzman, who reside south of town, entertained a number of their friends on Mothers' Day, serving a fine dinner as the highlight of the occasion. Those present were J. L. Nutzman and wife and two daughters, J. H. Ruge and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kokjer, Elmer Wessell and family, Mrs. Addie Nutzman and Fred Ludwig.

Suffered a Slight Bump

Mrs. Marie Ruhge, with Mrs. George Shackley as a passenger with her in the car, were driving near the Trunkholz bulk station, when they met a car driven by Harley Maple at the intersection. They were bumped slightly. Mrs. Shackley being thrown against the windshield and suffering two gashes in her forehead. Her wounds were dressed by a physician and she is getting along very nicely.

All Enjoyed Picnic

A general picnic in which all grades of the Avoca public schools and the citizens generally participated was held last Friday in conjunction with the closing exercises of the school year.

Outstanding History Student

The daughters of the American Revolution recognized a number of members of the History class in the Avoca schools for proficiency in American History. Harold Stack won the first honors, while Rosemary Stack and Norman Sudman were accorded second and third places, respectively.

Spent Mothers' Day at Elmwood

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Corbin, of Avoca, went to Elmwood on Mothers' day for a visit. After attending Sunday school and morning services at the Christian church there, they and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dehning of Weeping Water all went home with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dean of Elmwood, where all enjoyed a most delicious dinner and a pleasant afternoon together. Ice cream and cake were served in the evening before the guests departed for home.

MARRIED AT M. E. PARSONAGE

Saturday afternoon at the residence of Rev. J. C. Lowson, pastor of the First Methodist church, occurred the marriage of Miss Louella N. Pappino and Andrew VanCleve, both of Omaha. The wedding ceremony was witnessed by Virginia Ann Miller and James Messiner, also of Omaha.

MARRIED AT M. E. PARSONAGE

This morning at the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Lowson occurred the marriage of Charles Franklin Popejay and Viola Mae Lieblich, both of Falls City. The marriage lines were read by Rev. Lowson. The groom is engaged in the railroad business at Falls City.

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DRAWS DOWN FINE

From Wednesday's Daily—
This morning in the police court Judge C. L. Graves heard the complaint filed against Erich Friedrich, who claimed Alma, Iowa, as his home, who was charged with intoxication. The complaint was filed by David Picfrell, acting chief of police. The court after hearing the evidence offered, gave the defendant a fine of \$5 and costs, amounting to \$8.50 which was paid and he sent on his way rejoicing.

Rotary Club Hears Work of Re-Employment

Miss Edith Solomon Tells of Fine Work of Local Branch of Nebraska Employment Service.

The Rotary club at their meeting Tuesday had a very interesting discussion of the work of the local office of the Nebraska Employment Service, given by Miss Edith Solomon, whose efficient service has been a very important part in the conduct of the office.

Elmer Sundstrom was the leader of the meeting and the speaker was presented by Judge A. H. Duxbury.

Miss Solomon discussed the work at the present time, the fact that in the first four months of 1939 there had been 198 men placed on public works, as well as twenty in private employment. At the present time there were 347 men available and without work and fifty-one women who had registered for employment.

There was a shortage of experienced men for piling and rock paving work in the river employment at this time, it was brought out.

Miss Solomon urged that those who had cards at the employment office be sure and call each month to renew the cards in order that their status might be kept up to date.

OMAHA PARTIES WEDDED

Tuesday was an active time for the marriage license department of the county judge's office, as two Omaha couples were licensed and married at the office of Judge Duxbury.

Russell Lavern Sales, 2317 So. 17th street and Dorothy Ann Masilke, 1518 Spring street, were one of the happy couples. Judge Duxbury performed the marriage ceremony for the young people with Catherine Cline and Edward Martin, also of Omaha, as the witnesses.

At the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Lowson of the First Methodist church, occurred the marriage of Albert Victor VanHorn and Gertrude Ann Miller of 808 So. 20th street, both of Omaha.

Mr. VanHorn whose marriage took place to Miss Miller, was a veteran of the Canadian army in the World War, secured his license of Judge A. H. Duxbury, an American sailor in the World War and was married by Rev. J. C. Lowson, who was a veteran of the English army in the world conflict.

ATTEND KANSAS CITY SERVICES

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Higgins, Jr., and son, Jimmy and Mr. and Mrs. James Ault were Sunday visitors in Kansas City, Missouri where they spent Mother's Day with Mr. Higgins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Higgins, Sr. While in Kansas City they all attended church services at the Jackson Memorial Christian church, and Mrs. Walter Higgins, Jr. was awarded the prize for being the youngest mother present, while Mrs. Walter Higgins, Sr., received the honor of being the mother of the largest family present, she having a family of twelve children.

ATTEND DENTAL MEETINGS

From Wednesday's Daily—
Dr. P. T. Heineman, Dr. Frank Molak and Dr. W. V. Ryan were at Omaha today where they attended the meeting of the Nebraska Dental association for the day. The meetings have been very largely attended by the dentists from this section of the state.

Mrs. Louis Lohnes, assistant in the office of Dr. Heineman, was also in attendance at the meeting of the Dentists' Assistants which is being held in connection.

TO UNDERGO TONSILECTOMY

From Monday's Daily—
Meredith Chancellor, who has been in very poor health for the past year, departed for Omaha this morning where he will undergo a tonsilectomy and in the hope that it may prove beneficial in restoring him to his former good health.

Planning for Korn Karnival in September

Dates Set for September 20, 21, 22 and 23—Prizes Offered for Suggestions for Fall Festival.

The first meeting of the 1939 season of the King Korn Klub was held Monday evening to start the tentative plans for the coming fall festival and secure the interest of the people of this community in the great annual event which has proven so popular in the past seven years.

The dates for the fall Korn Karnival have been set for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 20, 21, 22 and 23, on which dates the residents of eastern Nebraska and southwestern Iowa are invited here for the four glorious days of fun and frolic, days of colorful parades and many clever and interesting programs.

This year the committee in charge of the fall festival is seeking new ideas that may add to the interest of the worthwhile programs. This is open to anyone in Cass and Sarpy counties to send in any ideas that they might have that would lead to the improvement of the daily programs, features of the various days entertainment in any form, tending to make a bigger and better King Korn Karnival.

For the first prize the committee will offer \$7.50, for the second, \$5, and for the third prize, \$2.50 for any item adopted and used, the committee in charge to make the selections. For any suggestion other than the three firsts, that are adopted and used the committee will offer a prize of \$1. All entries are to be the property of the King Korn Klub for adoption if they so desire. All communications should be sent to R. W. Knorr, chairman, Plattsmouth.

It is expected that the list of the committees for the Korn Karnival will be announced soon and start the ball rolling. While the time is early it is but some three months away and during which time the committees will be busy getting the details of the festival under way and to make the 1939 edition bigger and better than ever before.

WINS HIGH AWARD

At the St. Mary's high school junior-senior prom, which was held on Tuesday evening, May 9 at the Athletic Field at Omaha, Miss Agnes Ptacek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ptacek, former residents of this city, was chosen as prefect for the year 1939-40.

Miss Ptacek, who was a junior in the St. Mary's high school in 1938-39, had charge of the junior-senior banquet, she serving as chairman over a group of committees who made it possible to honor the senior group. During the banquet Miss Ptacek served as toastmistress and in her usual graceful manner presented the various speakers and distinguished guests to the pupils present.

Miss Ptacek, who is seventeen years of age, is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ptacek, former residents of this city. Mrs. Frank Ptacek being formerly Agnes Gradvole. The young lady is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gradvole of this city and she also has a large number of close relatives, too numerous to mention, in this city. She is a young lady who possesses a brilliant mind and shows considerable aptitude toward school activities, she being a prominent and active figure in the St. Mary's high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Kahoutek, the latter an aunt of Miss Ptacek, were in Omaha at the exercises Tuesday evening.

DIES IN MONTANA

John Bates of this city has received the news of the death of his brother-in-law, Frank Blue, at Haere, Montana, on Friday. The deceased made his home here for a great many years, leaving here in 1913 for the first time, the family later returning here in 1925 and remaining until 1933, when they moved to Montana.

Mr. Blue was 67 years of age and is survived by the widow and several children.

VISIT AT KANSAS CITY

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Bridgewater and Mr. and Mrs. James Bridgewater were week-end visitors in Kansas City, Mo., where they spent Mother's day visiting their daughters and sisters, Mrs. Violet Marquette and Mrs. Lucille Mason in Kansas City. Upon returning to Plattsmouth late Sunday the party left Kansas City in a heavy rain which accompanied them as far as Hiawatha, Kansas.

GUESTS AT GUTHMANN HOME

Mrs. F. R. Guthmann and daughter, Miss Minnie had a number of guests at their home Sunday, May 14 from Omaha. The guests included Mrs. J. C. Murray and daughter, Camilla, Mrs. R. H. Wallace, Dr. and Mrs. Fred J. Schivertley and children, Jimmy and Joan, Mrs. J. C. Murray is the mother of Mrs. Paul Lemke who, with her husband, have been spending some time visiting at the Guthmann home.

War on Termites Discussed by the Woman's Club

Interesting Subject Shown With Pictures—Committee Reports Are Given by the Chairmen.

From Tuesday's Daily—
The Plattsmouth Woman's club met last evening at the home of Mrs. V. F. Kelley at 602 Oak street. Associate hostesses were Mrs. John Wolf and Mrs. Elmer Sundstrom. There were twenty members present at the first May business meeting.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. Elmer Sundstrom, the regular business being transacted during the evening. The annual reports of the various committees were given by their respective chairmen.

The organization also took a membership for the cancer control. The club voted \$10 to the Plattsmouth Municipal band for equipment.

A motion was approved by the club members to pay the dues for the Girl Scout Council members, this council comprising five members. Miss Wilhelmmina Henriksen submitted her resignation from the Girl Scout Council, her place remaining vacant at the present time.

Following the business meeting, Mrs. Sundstrom presented the guest speaker of the evening, Mr. McDonna, who showed pictures on "Termites." Mr. McDonna represented the E. L. Bruce Co. of Memphis, Tennessee, this company being one of the largest in the United States in this field of endeavor to destroy these pests. His talk proved very instructive and helpful to the women.

At the conclusion of the program refreshments were served by the committee in charge.

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Thomas, old time residents of Plattsmouth, who have in recent years made their home at Los Angeles, arrived in the city for a visit with relatives and old time friends in the community. Both are members of pioneer families in this community and Mr. Thomas was for a great many years engaged in the operation of a meat market here and also was a very active figure in Masonic work. Mrs. Thomas was formerly Miss Alice Mann, a teacher in the local schools prior to her marriage.

The Thomas family will also visit at Nebraska City while in the east, they having lived there for several years after leaving this city and before going west.

They are house guests here of Mrs. R. A. Bates.

GUESTS AT HASSLER HOME

Sunday the home of Mrs. William Hassler, Sr., and daughter, Miss Anna, was the scene of a very pleasant Mother's day party and at which time the relatives gathered to enjoy a real visit. Those who attended the event were Mr. and Mrs. William L. Hassler and family of Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Thorne, of Lincoln, Mrs. Elizabeth Johnston of Kansas City, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hassler and family of Omaha and Mrs. Frances Sexton of Omaha.

SPEAKS AT HIGH SCHOOL

Raymond Larson, acting postmaster in this city, was a guest speaker in the commercial English class of the Plattsmouth high school Monday afternoon. Mr. Larson addressed the class at 1:15 p. m., Lumir Gerner being the instructor of this class. He spoke on the principles and points that people should know in regard to the post office and stressed the value of English and penmanship in this line of work.

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Cass County Youth to Attend 'States' Camps

Group Will Attend State Studies of Government Sponsored by American Legion and Auxiliary.

"Boys State," sponsored by the Nebraska American Legion, will open its session on June 10th at the state agricultural college at Lincoln, a project that will give the boys a practical demonstration of the form of self government. This year there will be two counties and six cities in the "state." Major "Biff" Jones of the University of Nebraska will have charge of the Boys State with Col. C. J. Frankfurter as the counselor and R. C. Patterson as secretary.

The Girls State will be held at Camp Kiwanis under the sponsorship of the American Legion Auxiliary of the state. Mrs. Robert G. Simmons of Lincoln, is the president of the Girls State and will be in charge of the active management.

The boys from Cass county who have been designated to attend the Boys State are Keith O. Clements, Elmwood; James R. Ganz, Avoca; George Gribble, Jr., Greenwood; Ralph M. Wolte, Louisville.

The girls selected for the camp at Kiwanis are Charlotte Ruth Lundberg, of Nehawka and Betty Jean Vroman, Plattsmouth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Vroman.

In the "states," the young people select their own officers for positions in the "counties" and the "cities" and are given practical lessons in the making of laws, their enforcement and the administration of the various offices.

The 1938 "State" was one of the most successful projects sponsored by the Legion for youth education and attracted much attention.

JUNIOR HIGH MEET

Monday afternoon the Junior High school students held their track meet at Athletic park, the sixty-four entries being divided into two teams, that of A and B and in which the A team proved the winner of the interesting meet by the score of 79 to 48.

The youngsters showed some excellent material in their tests, material that in the next few years will make some real track stars for the local school.

The officials of the meet were boys from the high school and members of the track team, Edward Smith, Warren Reed, George Rhodes, Lance Favors and Allan White.

Larson, R. and L. Rice, White, Brizendine, Herold and Dasher showed well in the events.

The B team showed class in the relay races as the smaller and lighter members showed speed in these events and in which they took three out of the four events.

The summary of the meet is as follows:

50-yard dash—Won by Larson; White, second; Richards, third; Capper, fourth; Gouchenour, fifth. Time :6.3.

100-yard dash—Won by Larson; White, second; Herold, third; Cotner, fourth; Jackson, fifth. Time :12.

300 yard dash—Won by Dasher; Herold, second; McMaken, third; Highfield, fourth; Gouchenour, fifth. Time :51.6.

50-yard shuttle relay—B team. Capper, Rhodes, Cole, Henry. Time :37.

100-yard shuttle relay—A team. Dasher, Larson, White, Rice. Time :56.2.

30-yard relay—B team. Gouchenour, Vroman, Capper, Dasher. Time :45.1.

800-yard relay—B team. Rice, Jackson, Hull, Dasher. Time 1:32.3.

Shot Put—Won by R. Rice; Holcomb, second; Jackson, third; L. Rice, fourth; Cotner, fifth. Distance, 43.10 inches.

Javelin—Won by Larson; R. Rice, second; L. Rice, third; Johnson, fourth; Weber, fifth. Distance, 100 feet 10 inches.

High jump—Won by Brizendine; Cotner, second; Evers, third; Gouchenour, fourth; Johnson, fifth. Height, 4 feet, 3 inches.

Broad jump—Won by White; Larson, second; Loveless, third; Dasher, fourth; Mrasek, fifth. Distance, 16 feet, 10 inches.

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