

V-Mail Urged For Soldiers in U. S. Service

Facilities Available for Making Possible Speedier Handling of Large Amount of Mail

The Post office Department announced today that the V-Mail Service, inaugurated on June 15, 1942, is now past the experimental stage, with each week showing large increases in the number of letters mailed to American soldiers overseas.

The War Department has increased its facilities to handle promptly the volume expected in the future.

Facilities for photographing and reproducing V-Mail to and from the United States and the British Isles, Australia, India, Hawaii and other points are now in operation. A similar service is being planned for Iceland and other points where the volume may warrant.

Pointing out that V-Mail provides a safe means of communication with members of our armed Forces, the Post Office Department gave assurance that the film (upon which the communications are reproduced) are given the most expeditious dispatch available. Because of the small space taken up by the rolls of film, they often can be carried on ferry planes or bombers.

Every pound of weight which can be saved on air transports overseas, said the Department, means that an equivalent amount of weight can be allotted vital military material.

In recognition of this, and in an effort to insure delivery of mail to as many men as possible at overseas destinations when space is limited, the War and Navy Departments have directed that V-Mail be given priority in dispatch over all other classes—including air mail—when transportation facilities under control of those departments are used.

V-Mail letter sheets have been distributed at all post offices; and have been provided all military and naval personnel at overseas points through Army and Navy post offices and military channels.

Private firms and individuals have also been permitted by the Post Office Department to reproduce the letter sheets. The sheets also will be available soon to all stores selling stationery.

V-Mail Service provides for the use by patrons of a special letter sheet form which is a combination letter and envelope of uniform size and design. The patron writes his message, completes the name and address of the addressee and the return card in the space provided, folds, seals, and mails the letter in the usual manner. Patrons are warned that only the inner or letter side of V-Mail letters are photographed, and should be careful to show the complete address of the person to whom the message is sent in the panel provided therefor above the space for the message. It is preferable to print the address in large block letters. Enclosures must not be placed in the letters.

V-Mail letters are photographed on micro-film by automatic machines at the rate of 2,000 to 2,500 per hour and the film rolls containing 1,500 letters each are transmitted to destinations. Reproductions are then made by other automatic machines and delivered to the addressee in individual sealed window penalty envelopes.

When V-Mail letters are addressed to places where micro-film equipment is not in operation, the letters are transmitted to destination in original form by the most expeditious means available. Even in these instances savings in weight and space are accomplished since there are approximately 97 V-Mail letters in a pound, whereas, ordinary letters average 40 per pound.

The War, Navy and Post Office Departments all cooperated in developing this Service, largely with a view to decreasing the volume of mail to be carried overseas and providing an expeditious service.

Germans Kill Patriots

LONDON, August 25th. (UP)—German firing squads were reported today to have executed more than 100 patriots in a half dozen occupied European countries in the last 48 hours in an effort to stamp out a new wave of revolt and sabotage.

In Yugoslavia, authoritative sources said a special corps of General Draja Mihailovitch's guerrillas has been formed to assassinate puppet government officers cooperating with the Axis and already has killed one official. Other reports to governments in exile here said hundreds of hostages were taken in Czech, Polish and Belgian cities.

Set County Tire Quotas

LINCOLN, Aug. 26 (UP)—Tire quotas for Nebraska in September have been set at 5,606 passenger tires, 3,750 truck tires, 4,151 recapped passenger tires and 3,320 recapped truck tires. County passenger tire quotas included Gage 5, Hall 4, Lancaster 80, Otoe 4, Richardson 6. County truck tires quota included Gage 40, Hall 94, Lancaster 179, Lincoln 66, Otoe 51 and Richardson 39.

Government to Aid in Fire Prevention Week

Annual Safety Observance Scheduled This Year for the Week Of October 4 to 10

For the first time in the history of Fire Prevention Week the Federal government will take an active part in that annual safety observance, scheduled this year for the week of October 4-10, 1942, James M. Landis, Director of the Office of Civilian Defense, announced today.

President Roosevelt, in his proclamation setting the date for Fire Prevention Week, said that the wartime emergency makes it "essential that destructive fire be brought under stricter control in order that victory may be achieved at the earliest date," and directed the Office of Civilian Defense to assume, with other appropriate Federal agencies, leadership in this year's observance.

"Heretofore Fire Prevention Week has been sponsored by a number of organizations in the fire safety field," Director Landis said. "Now, however, the tremendous damage done by fire is more than ever a national problem, because every loss of life, materials or productive time interferes with the war effort. It is a continuing problem that must be dealt with every week of the year, but Fire Prevention Week should mark the beginning of a more intensive effort."

"Cooperating in this campaign are organizations which have sponsored the Fire Prevention Week observance in other years," Mr. Landis stated, "and the Office of Civilian Defense is grateful for their active support and the benefit of their experience."

The national bodies cooperating with the U. S. Office of Civilian Defense in this campaign are the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, the Federation of Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, International Association of Fire Chiefs, International Association of Fire Fighters, National Board of Fire Underwriters, National Bureau for Industrial Protection, National Fire Protection Association, National Safety Council and the U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Each of the cooperating organizations is providing educational and program material to its membership. In addition, the OCD is addressing letters to regional and local Offices of Civilian Defense and to associations in practically every field of endeavor asking that they participate actively in the campaign. Many community activities, as well as activities that may be undertaken by individual organization, are being suggested to educate the public to the seriousness of the fire problem and the ways in which it can be eliminated or at least minimized. The press, radio, and motion picture industries are also being asked to cooperate in the campaign. A folder listing sources of educational material is available through local defense councils.

British Start Mourning

LONDON, Aug. 26 (UP)—British royal court began four week's of mourning today for the Duke of Kent, King George's youngest brother who was killed on duty with 15 others in an airplane crash yesterday.

The British press association today reported there was one survivor of the crash—the rear gunner of the plane—who wandered three miles in a semi-conscious condition before he met a searching party. The plane burned after striking a one-thousand foot elevation. The fire had virtually burned itself out when searchers reached the scene.

Killed on West Coast

LINCOLN, Aug. 26 (UP)—Word of the death of Judge James S. West, 86, formerly of Lincoln and Benkleman, in a grade crossing accident in Modesto, Calif., was received here today by friends.

Reared in Otoe county, Judge West was for several years a member of the state board of education.

Livestock Men Blame Ceilings for the Meat Shortage

Seek to Have Schedule Changed On "Cockeyed" Prices to Avoid Rationing of Meat

WASHINGTON, Aug. 25, (UP)—Livestock producers today blamed "Cockeyed" price ceilings on finished meats for the present meat shortage and asked the office of Price Administration to revise its entire schedule.

"The present system of meat price control encourages the marketing of short-fed, low-weight cattle and unless revised soon will force rationing of a reduced supply to consumers," a spokesman said.

A delegation of 19 livestock growers and feeders from the west and midwest took their case to the OPA after a futile appeal to Secretary of Agriculture Claude R. Wickard to oppose a ceiling on prices of live meat animals. Wickard told the delegation that a price ceiling on live animals is a virtual certainty and advised the delegation to concern itself more with what kind of a program is to be adopted. Wickard announced last week that he would approve any workable plan for control of meat animal prices.

Marketing experts of the OPA and the WPB's office of Civilian Supply have been working on a plan for control of livestock prices. Agriculture Department officials expect the plan to be submitted to Wickard this week for his approval. Livestock prices now range from 122 to 131 per cent of parity. Small meat packers have complained that they are unable to compete with the big packers and that unless prices are controlled they may have to go out of business.

E. A. Kelloway of Omaha, Neb., Secretary of the National Livestock Advisory Council, said present ceiling schedule and heavy purchases of cattle for the armed forces and lend-lease have reduced the shipments of western cattle to the corn belt for fattening.

Agriculture Department figures show there are approximately 20 per cent fewer cattle on feed in the 11 corn belt states than there were a year ago. Kelloway blamed the ceiling price on finished beef for the shortage of corn belt cattle "because prices encourage the marketing of range-fed and poorer grades of cattle."

Under the usual practice of sending calves and yearlings from the ranges to the corn belt, a steer weighing 1,000 lbs. is ready for the market in from 12 to 15 mos. It is more profitable at present for western cattlemen to keep the steers on the range for three years—double the corn belt age for market—to produce 1,000 pounds on the hoof.

"The way the whole thing shaped up now, we are going to run into a constantly diminishing supply of beef," Kelloway said. "If we continue the present schedule requiring three years to bring a 1,000 pound steer to market, then rationing of a much smaller supply of meat to consumers is a certainty."

Democratic Paper Endorses Governor Griswold

In its issue of August 13th, the Howells (Nebraska) Journal, one of the most active Democratic newspapers in Nebraska printed the following editorial comment relative to the contest for Governor:

"For Governor, Nebraskans have the choice of two experienced men, Charles Bryan and Dwight Griswold. No paper in the State of Nebraska has supported the Bryans more faithfully or fought Griswold more fiercely than the Howells Journal, but in this election we are going to give our vote and our voice to Governor Griswold. After the Luikhart administration of the state banking department in Bryan's LAST term in office, we said we would never vote for Brother Charley again. We mean to keep that promise and our resolution is made easy by the fact that Griswold (to our pleasure and surprise) has made an unusually good governor."

McNutt at Omaha

OMAHA, August 25th. (UP)—An invitation to speak at the Omaha Central Labor union's labor day celebration was accepted by Paul V. McNutt, director of the war man power commission, it was announced by James Carpenter, chairman of the union's speakers bureau.

McNutt will share the speakers platform with AFL President William Green. Both talks will be broadcast nationally.

OLD CENTRAL'S BELL

With clear full tones the bell rang out. Folks wondered what 'twas all about. No tardy child was due at class—The playground had a coat of grass. Why then the bell?

Old timers slipped in one by one To dream once more of childish fun; To watch, with rather mixed emotion, The wreckers making such commotion.

Who rang the bell? Board by board and brick by brick—It wasn't such a mighty trick To tear old Central down. Why—it was to improve the town! Who heard the bell?

The grandsire, daughter, grandchild, too; Merchant, housewife, lawyer and you, Answered that bell for years and years, And that last ringing brought some tears.

Who heard the bell, The old must give way to the new. The wreckers did what they had to do. Old Central's cleared away at last. She's gone! Our relic of the past! Please save the bell.

The world is torn with hate and war, Yet youth must be schooled as it was before. The new school stands upon the hill, The children awaits that "first day" thrill. They'll need the bell. —Alice Pollock Perry.

Legion Urged to Carry on Fight for Universal Draft

Organization Urged the Universal Draft of Men, Money and Industry Many Years for Preparedness

OMAHA, Aug. 25 (UP)—Delegates to the annual state convention of the American Legion, Nebraska department, yesterday were urged to bring the power of the national organization behind the move to enact the Legion-sponsored universal draft bill in an all-out effort to win the war.

The plea was made by Clinton Prome, Omaha, Nebraska national executive committee member, who asserted the spectacle of organized economic groups quarreling over which will be more benefited financially from the war is "degrading."

Recalling that national conventions of the Legion have sought for 20 years to have such a law passed, Prome declared that it was planned to "prevent the very situation which now confronts the country."

If the law had been passed, he said, and if it had been enforced there would be "no delay in national defense production by strikes, authorized or unauthorized."

He urged that Nebraska's delegates to the national convention at Kansas City next month "do everything in their power to see that capital and labor are drafted."

In committee reports Legion members learned from Chairman Randall Biart of the child welfare committee that more than \$65,000 had been spent by and through the Legion posts of the state in behalf of children.

Department service officer Ivan D. Marsh told of the rehabilitation work of the Legion, of benefits paid to veterans' dependents.

Entertainment highlight last night was a barbecue at the German-American club. The convention will close today with adoption of resolutions and election of officers.

Wherry 'Hands Off'

LINCOLN, Aug. 26 (UP)—Kenneth S. Wherry said today he has kept "hands off" in the selection of a new state republican chairman to succeed himself and hoped "selection of a new chairman will not develop into a fight that could disorganize our united strength at a time when victory is here."

Wherry made the statement in commenting on action of G. E. Carpenter, Omaha, committeeman from Nebraska, in designating Joseph Wisbart of Lincoln as his choice for chairman.

Visit in City

Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson, sr., of Havelock, were here Sunday to spend a few hours and were accompanied by their daughter, Marie. They visited at the William Nelson home and with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Swatek and with the young grandson, Brian Boyd Nelson.

MURRAY

By Journal Field Representative

W. O. Troop tells us that in one of his fields which has been planted to corn continually for 36 years, most of the stalks each have two good ears.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marler were over to Weeping Water last Saturday where they went to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. Rose Cole, a former resident of this community, who has made her home in Weeping Water for some time. Mrs. Cole was ill for several weeks.

Edward Lewis of near Union, a brother of Mrs. Earl Merritt, was a guest at the Merritt home Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Fleming Robb of Lincoln, the latter being a sister of Dr. R. W. Tyson, were guests in Murray and at the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Tyson. All enjoyed the visit very much. Mr. Robb is a bank examiner and makes his home in Lincoln. He covers this territory in his line of work.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Read was held on last Sunday a family reunion which embraced the C. M. Read family, Mrs. Philip Keil and family, Mrs. Robert Burr and family, Mr. and Mrs. Vilas Tucker, Elbert Keil and wife and daughter, Otto Wolfarth and family, and Clarence Keil and four children.

Dale Long, who is in training in the navy at the Great Lakes training station near Chicago, has been spending a 10-day furlough in Murray and Union. During the time he was here he visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Long. There was also at the long home their daughter, Mrs. Ralph Kennedy, and another daughter, Mrs. John Hobscheidt, jr., of Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Griffin, who have been making their home at Atlantic, Iowa, where Mr. Griffin was employed, drove to Murray and have been visiting for a time. Mr. and Mrs. Griffin expect to go to California soon to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Wunderlich, who live in Omaha, drove down to Murray last Sunday to visit with the mother of Mrs. Wunderlich, Mrs. Alice Creamer. All enjoyed a very pleasant day.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Lang and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Beins were over to Sidney, Iowa, on last Friday where they attended the big rodeo. They were well pleased with the excellent show.

The families of Earl Lancaster and R. A. Noell were over to Sidney, Iowa, to attend the rodeo. They tell of a very pleasant day.

George S. Ray, who has been home from the hospital for some time, is now showing good improvement and was over to Murray to pay a visit to Mrs. D. J. Pittman, who is also feeling better.

Chester Sporer, who has a number of acres of sweet corn, grown for the packing company at Plattsmouth, began delivering the crop last Tuesday.

Mrs. Phillip Keil of Plattsmouth was visiting in Murray last Sunday and attended the picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Read.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Nickles were over to Omaha on last Sunday where they were attending the art exhibit, finding it very good advance advertising for the fall festival.

Harvey Gregg, Tommy Tilson and Fred Lutz drove to Sidney last week on Thursday to attend the rodeo. They all pronounced the exhibition one of the very best in all respects.

Harvey Gregg and Tommy Tilson are tearing down a corn crib this week and rebuilding it for Everett Spangler.

Herman Wohlfarth and family were down to Kansas City last Sunday to visit Dale Wohlfarth, who is in the army. Dale is doing office work at the camp. The family enjoyed the trip and the visit with Dale.

Wm. Gussett of Weeping Water, had a ride with James Kivitt, who was going to Omaha. Mr. Gussett came over to Murray to see his doctor, who is caring for an injured hand. Mr. and Mrs. Gussett and son-in-law, were out to York last Sunday where they went to visit at the I. O. O. F. home where Frank E. Wood is superintendent and to visit with Forrest Stock and wife.

W. O. Troop showed the writer an ear of corn which was planted on July 15, which was well filled with plump grains extending to the tip of the ear.

Mrs. Wm. Gorder of Plattsmouth, was a visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Troop, last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Troop called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Troop last Monday morning. Mrs. Arthur Troop has been in poor health but is just now reported as being

somewhat better.

Edward Austin, who has been located at Fort Leavenworth, has been transferred to Casper, Wyo., for further training in the army.

E. J. Kruger received a letter from his son, Ralph, who is located in California, saying that he is all right and feeling fine.

Fred Drucker has accepted a position at the bomber plant at Fort Crook.

Ready for Opening of School

The city of Murray is now ready for the opening of the school for the year, 1943, which will begin on Sept. 8. The complement of teachers has been secured and the building placed in the best condition and all is ready for the start of the educational year.

Hostess to Children

Mrs. E. Dellez Dernier was hostess to her daughter, Mrs. John Dorschot, and her husband, who have been over to Firth where they spent last week at the home of his parents. It also happened that on that day Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Brittain, the latter another daughter of Mrs. Dellez Dernier, came down from Omaha for the day and so all enjoyed a good visit.

Makes Trip to California

Doris Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Allen, who formerly lived in Murray and later moved to Omaha, and then to California, made a trip from California to Kansas City, where she visited for a short time and then came on to Murray for a visit. Doris is but 10 years of age. After visiting here and at Sidney, Iowa, she will return to California. She says she does not like the west as a place to live and will return to the middle west after she has gained a few more years.

Grows Hi-Brid Seed Corn

Wm. Sporer was guest for the day last Sunday at the home of his son, Chester Sporer, where all enjoyed a very fine visit. During the afternoon Mr. Sporer inspected the corn fields where Chester has some seven acres of hi-brid corn growing for seed. Chester explained to his father the modern operation of growing number of orders for this seed.

Will Visit Son in West

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brandt departed Tuesday of this week for Glendale, Calif., where one of their sons is in the air service as a ground mechanic. Mr. and Mrs. Brandt will also inspect the defense plants and the country about Los Angeles.

Celebrate Two Birthdays

Mrs. Margaret Brendel passed her natal day Monday of this week and Bert Warthen had his birthday on Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Seybolt entertained in honor of the two anniversaries at a dinner. Present for the occasion were Mrs. Margaret Brendel and Mr. Bert Warthen as guests of honor, Mrs. Bert Warthen, of Avoca, Dr. Richard Brendel of Lincoln, Dr. J. W. Brendel of Avoca, who returned that day from a trip to Zionville, Ind.

We're selling a lot of rubber stamps these days and the reason is the low prices. Get your stamps at the Journal office.

Returns from Vacation

Joseph F. Hadraba, local druggist, returned Sunday from a two weeks vacation in Minnesota, where he was with his daughter, Miss Frances, at Rochester and with his nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. John Flemming. Mr. Hadraba found that there had been a great deal of rain in the lake country that made the fishing far from good. The larger part of the time was spent at Rochester with the daughter who is in nurse training.

There were several real warm days experienced by Mr. Hadraba but at the week-end it was much cooler and he found cool weather all of the way back to Nebraska.

Called on Sad Mission

From Monday's Daily—Dr. and Mrs. O. Sandin departed this morning for Kansas City, Missouri, where they were called by the death of J. J. Walsh, 85, the father of Mrs. Sandin.

Mr. Walsh has not been in the best of health but had not been thought critical until his death Sunday.

He is survived by the widow and two daughters, Mrs. Sandin and a daughter living in Inglewood, California.

The funeral services and interment will be at Kansas City.

Fire Department has Call

From Monday's Daily—This morning the fire department was called to the vicinity of Fifth and Oak street where fire was reported at the residence owned by Miss Florence Fouchek. The alarm proved groundless as there was no fire apparent, the alarm being caused by the odor of smoke that had attracted the attention of some parties working on insulating the house.

To Visit at Sedalia

From Tuesday's Daily—Mrs. Julius A. Pitz and mother, Mrs. Cyril Janda, departed this morning for Sedalia, Mo., where they will spend the remainder of the week. They will visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Slatinsky and family and with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brinkman and family. Mrs. Brinkman and Mrs. Slatinsky are daughters of Mrs. Janda.

Has Fine Fishing Trip

John Meisinger, jr., returned from Crow Wing, Minn., where he accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Wandell, of Omaha, on a fishing trip. Mr. Meisinger will enjoy many a fine fish dinner as he brought home a large number of wall-eyed and northern pike. He enjoyed the trip very much but was glad to get back home.

Grants Divorce Decree

From Tuesday's Daily—This morning Judge W. W. Wilson was here and held a short session of the district court. The court among other matters entered a decree in the case of Roy Dupree vs. Alice Dupree, finding for the plaintiff and awarding him a decree of divorce.

SPORTS

may come
and sports may go, but
these go on forever!



Saddles!

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Saddle: White with Brown, Blue or Black. Moc: Beige and Brown, Brown and White. It's one or the other or both.

Paris Fashion
FIFTH AVENUE STYLES

Woster Shoe Store

Next to the Bank Plattsmouth