

Weeping Water

Mr. and Mrs. Turner McKinnon, have returned to Cass County, to make their home. They spent the first part of the week at the home of Mrs. McKinnon's sister, Mrs. Fred Gorder, then left for Alvo where they will live.

Richard Specht, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Specht has been sent to Cornell College, at Mt. Vernon, Ia., for training.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Pool had their dinner guests Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Turner McKinnon and Mrs. Fred Gorder.

Thursday Afternoon Bridge club was entertained by Mrs. A. O. Specht at her home, last week.

Weeping Water Garden Club held another of their good meetings, Friday evening, at the home of Mrs. Edna Shannon, when Mrs. H. C. Wilkinson reviewed the book, "Fair Child," making it so realistic that all present have been loud in its praise.

The South Side Pinclo Club held another of their birthday luncheons last week. This time it was Mrs. John Harter who had a birthday and the luncheon was held in connection with the meeting held at Mrs. Raymond Knott's home Monday.

Tuesday afternoon found the members of the No-Name Club wend-

ing their way to the home of Mrs. Laurence Wiseman, where a pleasant time was enjoyed.

Thursday afternoon the 500 Club met at the home of Mrs. O. C. Hinds, with Mrs. DeForest Brown as hostess.

March 26 has been chosen as the date for the presentation of the high school senior class play, with Imogene VanEvery and George Olive for the leading roles. Others in the cast will be Robert Keckler, Jerry Opp, Jack Herman, Donald Resso, Gerald Appling, Ruth Lane, Kathleen Markland, Mary Everett, and Dorothy Stohlman. The name of the play is, "Ever Since Eve."

Knickerbocker Club was entertained Wednesday evening by Mrs. Andrew Olsen, at her home, with two invited guests, Mrs. E. E. Moore and Mrs. Emerson Dowler.

Mrs. Loyal Fleming spent the week end at Falls City, visiting her sister, Mrs. Francis Kanaly.

Bert Pease, son of Dr. and Mrs. B. Charles Pease, left Monday for Newport, R. I., where he will be attached to a Navy hospital, after a furlough spent with his parents in Weeping Water.

Primaries were held Wednesday evening to nominate two councilmen and two members of the board of education. Results were: 1st Ward, D. D. Wainscott, Citizen's party, J. L. Wiles, Business Temperance party, 2nd Ward, C. J. Elgaard, Citizens; John Robinson, Business-Temperance, Board of Education, R. P. Hobson and Mogens Johnson, renominated on both tickets.

High school alumni held a meet-

ing Monday evening to make plans for entertaining the seniors this spring. Miss Pauline Patterson is the alumni president.

1,127 Ration Books Two were issued to people who registered in Weeping Water last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marshall moved into their new home on the south side of town, last week, and Sunday evening a welcome party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Hopkins, when they enjoyed a visit with their new neighbors.

Miss Doris Marshall was down from the University for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Marshall, Saturday and Sunday.

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Love vs. Lion

Los Angeles. (UP)—Seventeen-year-old Mrs. Betty Phillips will neither compete with nor substitute for a lion in her husband's affections, she said today in naming a 130-pound African cub as co-respondent in her divorce action.

"The lion hung out in the bathtub, ripped up my satin sofa, and pounced on the bed at night and I stood for it," said the pretty young bride.

"But when Byron said he liked the lion better than he did me, I thought it was time to move." And move she did.

Two days later the lion died. "I am not going home, regardless," Mrs. Phillips said. "I am not a stand-in for a lion."

If there was any meat around the house, "Felix Leo" got first choice, she said. Then came Mr. and Mrs. Phillips.

"He ate more meat in one day than we did in a week," she said. And with meat rationing in prospect, and Felix growing every day, the future wasn't bright.

"Whatever the lion died of," she said, "it certainly wasn't starvation."

British Discuss Aid

London. (UP)—British newspapers today gave front page display to U. S. Ambassador Wm. H. Stradley's assertion in Moscow that the Russian people were not being told the full extent of the American aid to the soviet war effort. There was no additional comment.

Britain too has sent large quantities of war material to Russia, Production Minister Capt. Oliver Lyttelton said in a red army day speech February 21st that the united kingdom had contributed enough "for the initial equipment of 22 armored divisions in tanks and 400 squadrons in aircraft."

Specifically he said Britain had sent to Russia between 3000 airplanes, 70 million rounds of small ammunition and 50,000 tons from "our infinitely previous rubber stock."

First Lord of the Admiralty A. V. Alexander told Commons March 3 that Britain had lost two cruisers, ten destroyers and six smaller warships, many smaller merchantmen and "many valuable lives," in shipping operations to Russia.

Appoint Assessors

County Assessor W. H. Puls has made the appointment of the two assessors that will levy the assessment on the property of residents of Plattsburgh for the coming year. The assessors have heretofore been elected by wards and precincts, but in the cities they are to be appointed and the number cut to two in Plattsburgh. The board of county commissioners have approved the names of James Rebal and John A. Libershal, veteran assessors, for the job of assessing the city. Mr. Rebal who has assessed second ward, will have the entire north side of the city and Mr. Libershal, who has been the assessor in the second ward, will have all of the city south of Main street.

Not to be Dictator

Washington, March 10. (UP)—Congress and industry were assured by Price Administrator Prentiss Brown, today that he will not use the power of his office to establish himself as a dictator of wartime business profits.

The law requires Brown to take the cost of production and profits into consideration in fixing maximum prices. Brown sought to allay fears that OPA would use that authority to limit profits by outlining to sub-committees of the Senate Finance and Banking and Currency committees a broad policy which he said his agency would follow.

Price increases will be opposed when profits are increased he said. Industry whose prices are below levels fixed in the act and whose profits are falling should not be interfered with by the government. Prices should be reduced in industry in which increased production has decreased unit costs.

H. F. Comer, farmer near Unoin, was in Plattsburgh yesterday on business.

Hear Assistance Problem

Lincoln. (UP)—Passage of one bill and hearing of problems covering the finances of the Old Age Assistance held the spotlight today in the Nebraska Legislature.

The Assistance issue arose in consideration of Joseph Reavis' bill to lift the limit on persons paying the \$2.00 head tax making it apply to all persons over 21 years. As amended and advanced to select file the bill raised the tax to \$3.00 for all persons between 21 and 65 for two years.

Reavis said the bill would raise two million dollars more in the next two years to help an anticipated shortage of \$2,546,000 for the biennium because of dwindling gasoline tax receipts.

An attempt by Sam Klaver to hold the bill over and permit Neil Vandermoer State Assistance Director to appear before the Legislature was successfully opposed by H. G. Greenan, Chairman of the Appropriations committee.

The measure passed was LB-178, Lee, which amends statutes relating to registration of agents of non-resident corporations.

The number of bills on general file was reduced by three when LB-174, 306 and 304 were advanced to select file.

Madame Kai-Shek Rests

New York. (UP)—Madame Chiang Kai-Shek arrived here from Boston today to begin a three-day "incognito" rest before proceeding on her official tour of the United States.

Madame Chiang entrained for New York after a whirlwind appearance at Symphony Hall in Boston last night.

On this visit to New York, however, she will meet no mayors, see no officials, and make no speeches. She had no plans for her first day except to rest.

Last night influenced by the spontaneous welcome, she thanked the citizens for their generosity and said their "greatness of heart had touched her deeply."

Checks totalling \$118,000 were presented to her for Chinese war orphans from the citizens of Boston and Chinese associations.

THIS WEEK IN WASHINGTON

Washington, D. C. (NWNS)—"We who have lain in shell holes watching the skies for bomber and fighter plane help which failed to appear feel pretty bitter about the whole thing. In the army, acts less treasonable than this are punishable with death before a firing squad."

That statement, issued by a group of American soldiers wounded in Africa and now in the Walter Reed hospital here, following a walkout of workers in a Boeing Flying Fortress plant, has aroused the whole nation, as well as congress, to demand immediate action to make strikes or slowdowns subject to severe punishment for the duration of the war.

Senator Connally, who introduced a bill in the last session to outlaw strikes and then withdrew it at the request of the White House when the unions pledged themselves to a no-strike agreement immediately reintroduced his measure. His bill provides for army seizure of plants where strikes occur and calls for heavy penalties for those involved. No matter what action the President takes, unless he issues an order which is just as stringent as the Connally measure, it is expected that this bill will now be enacted.

It is true that the War Labor board has delayed for many months to demand action on the demands of the airplane workers for increased pay—and the union probably felt that the only way to get action was to create an emergency—but it is clear from the present attitude of congress that this was the most unfortunate step labor has taken since the war began. It is even considered probable that the President, who has so far bent over backwards to give in to labor's demands, will now make no further efforts to restrain congress from enacting whatever stringent legis-

lation it deems necessary. If it becomes a question of taking sides with the armed forces or with labor, the President, like everyone else, will demand regulations to keep labor on the job.

Although strikes, slowdowns and absenteeism among war production workers hold the limelight here, the problems of help for farmers and taxation are continuing to receive great attention. One of the major problems on the farm front which must be settled quickly is whether to give farmers increased "incentive" payments for producing more crops or whether to permit price rises which would assure greater income to farmers. In addition, the plans for providing farm labor are still considered inadequate and it is agreed that if farmers are to be expected to plan for greater production a workable plan for supplying help must be offered at once.

Congress' worries over tax legislation have been increased by reports of people being unable to meet their March payments and a large number having borrowed the money to make such payments. It is agreed that a pay-as-you-go plan is absolutely necessary if the treasury hopes to collect full taxes from the people during 1943—and congress is agreed on enacting some pay-as-you-go plan. But those who favor collecting taxes on 1942 incomes in addition to pay-as-you-go collection on 1943 wages are becoming increasingly aware of the collection difficulties which this would cause. For this reason, the Ruml plan, which calls for the forgiveness of all 1942 taxes, is being given greater consideration and it now seems increasingly likely that by June we will be on a straight pay-as-you-go basis with the last half of 1942 taxes erased from the books.

Standley Remarks Not Gov't

Washington. (UP)—Acting Secretary of State Sumner Wells said today that the remarks in Moscow by U. S. Ambassador Wm. H. Standley were made without prior consultation with or reference to the American government.

Wells said he had cabled Standley for the full text of his press conference remarks in which the Ambassador said the soviet government was not telling its people about American aid to the red army. Wells said he preferred not to

comment on Standley's statement until he had received a reply from the Ambassador. He said he was confident that anything Standley might have said was not intended to cast any doubt on the trust and understanding which should exist between allies in a common cause.

The understanding which exists between the united nations for the purpose of utterly defeating axis tyranny would not be worth very much, Wells said, if it were not based on complete trust and understanding between all of us.

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Washington. (UP)—President Roosevelt today asked Congress to pass legislation permitting the people of Puerto Rico to elect their own governor.

In a message to Congress the President said his recommendation was in line with the long standing policy of the U. S. government "to reinforce the machinery of self-government in its territories and island possessions."

Meanwhile Senator Millard Tydings, D., Md., Chairman of Senate Territories and Insular Affairs committee proposed complete independence for Puerto Rico with the United States retaining control of naval and military bases on the island.

In asking Congress to amend the organic law of Puerto Rico to permit the people to elect their own government Mr. Roosevelt asked also for legislation "to re-define the functions and powers of the Federal government and the government of Puerto Rico respectively."

Cleveland Has Earthquake

Cleveland. (UP)—An earthquake shook Cleveland and Northern Ohio for two and one-half minutes last night.

No damage was reported but newspapers and radio stations were flooded with telephone calls from anxious residents who reported their homes and apartment buildings were severely shaken by the tremor. Some persons said pictures were knocked off the walls of their homes.

Reject Pay-As-You-Go

Washington. (UP)—The House Ways and Means committee today tentatively rejected the pay-as-you-go plan supported by the Treasury to forgive 1942 liabilities for income tax payers in the first sur-tax bracket.

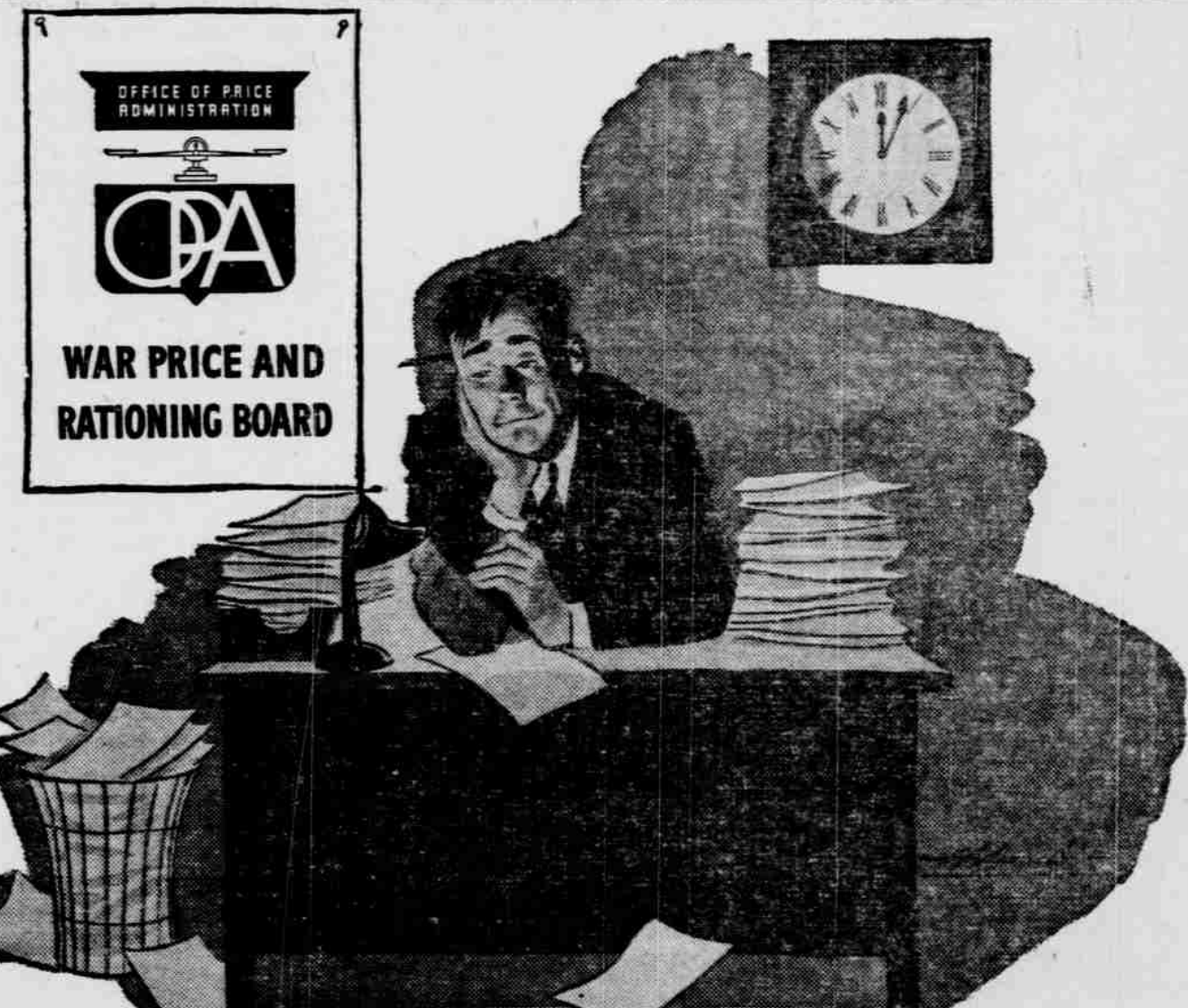
Also rejected was an original proposal by committee chairman Robert L. Doughton, D., N. C., to apply 1941 rates to 1942 income payments. Doughton said he hoped the committee could arrive at some positive final action by this afternoon.

The partial forgiveness plan rejected was proposed by Rep. A. W. Robertson, D., Va. He would have applied a 20 per cent withholding tax July 1st and would have cancelled all 1942 taxes for approximately 70 percent of the taxpayers—those making up to \$2,000 after exemptions.

Today's action left only one definite forgiveness proposal still before the committee. This suggestion was advanced by Doughton and would forgive the first half of the taxes on 1943 income taxes and double up 1942 and 1943 taxes during the last six months of this year.

Earlier Republican members of Congress had served notice that they would demand an expression from the entire House on the Ruml pay-as-you-go plan.

Rev. J. S. Joliat, S. J., the University of John Carroll, seismologist, said he could not determine the quake's epicenter but said he thought it was twenty or thirty miles southwest of Cleveland.



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the War Price and Rationing Board is closed, he's still there—sorting forms, checking applications, studying ways in which to solve the problems of the people of his community. It's a hard, grueling—and all too often—a thankless task.

But he has one consolation—the knowledge that he's helping to make democracy work. The "Committee of Neighbors," of which he is a member, exists today as a vivid example of the American system in action—a system that looks to the people themselves in working out of problems affecting their well-being and their destiny.

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