

Gug Ruhge Dies In Accident West of Avoca

Prominent Farmer and Life Long Resident of Community Instantly Killed

Thursday afternoon at 4:30 while Gus Ruhge, 64, lifelong resident of the Avoca community, was driving into town to look after some business he was instantly killed when a Fairmont truck hit the car.

The accident occurred a mile west of Avoca when the car coming from the west and the truck traveling south met at the intersection of highway 50.

Mr. Ruhge was driving a coupe and the truck crashed into the car just back of the seat and the force of the impact threw Mr. Ruhge through the windshield and out of the car.

Mr. Ruhge was instantly killed in the accident.

There is surviving his death, the widow, Maude Ruhge, four daughters, Mrs. Wilhelmina Johnson, Mrs. Norris Gregg, Mrs. Laura Hoback of Avoca, Mrs. Noel Golden, Unadilla; two sons, Don Ruhge of Avoca and Fred Ruhge of Weeping Water.

Sheriff Joe Mrasek was called to the scene of the accident and to investigate the case.

He is also survived by four sisters and one brother, Mrs. William Gillen, Atlantic, Iowa, Mrs. William Morley, Upland, California, Mrs. William Hoff, Avoca, Elmwood, Miss Anna Ruhge, Avoca, John H. F. Ruhge, Avoca.

The body was taken to the Hobson funeral home at Weeping Water.

Bronson Timm In Philippines

The host of friends here of Bronson Timm, ship's cook first class, will be interested in learning that he is now in the Philippines.

He arrived in the islands after some forty-eight days spent on the ocean and is glad to once more feel the solid earth under his feet after the long voyage on the water.

They made the landing on April 24th and are getting settled in their new location and at the time the letter was written home, were quartered in an old rest hospital until their new tents arrive for use. It is quite warm where he is located and a decided change from the temperate zones of the United States.

He states that he lost some weight in the long journey across the sea.

Farewell Given to Henry Hobscheidt

Neighbors and friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Hobscheidt in Plattsmouth for a get together for their son, Henry and wife, Henry left for induction at Fort Leavenworth May 3rd.

The evening was largely spent in card playing and a social good time.

Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Creamer, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schnott, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Thompson and Rose Marie, Frank Hobscheidt and Duane, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hansen and Rollin, Margaret Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sullivan, Beverly, Tommy and Cheryl, Mr. and Mrs. George Hobscheidt, Micket, Marylin and Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. Tomer Headlee, Mrs. Robert Hinz and son, Jon, Mrs. John Hobscheidt and Margaret, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Sporer, Mary Kathryn, Martina and Marylin, the guest of honor Henry Hobscheidt and Mrs. Katherine Hobscheidt.

Mrs. E. G. Ofc Home From California

Mrs. E. G. Ofc, who has been spending the two past months on the Pacific coast with relatives has returned home.

Mrs. Ofc was disappointed in not being able to contact her nephews who are in the naval service but who had left the west coast just a few days before her arrival.

She reports a very pleasant time and visited a great many places of interest both at San Francisco and Los Angeles.

ODAKO CAMPFIRE

Our meeting was held May 1st at the kindergarten room in the Central school. We danced folk dances. Our meeting closed with taps.

Florence Reed, scribe

Nehawka

MRS. PEARL KRUGER, Correspondent

Gene Ford, S 2c, Great Lakes Naval Base, is with his wife (Verna) and children for a ten day furlough his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Emory Ford also live in Nehawka. He was honor guest at a family dinner at the home of a sister, Mrs. Albert Johnson and family on Sunday out-of-town guests were a sister, Mrs. Elmer Howell, Mr. Howell and children of Nebraska City. His parents entertained at a steak supper Saturday evening for his family.

T. J. Bobbit has been notified to report at Fort Leavenworth this week for basic training for army life his wife (Hazel Williams) and children are making their home in Lincoln at present.

Pfc. William Kruger writes home that he enjoyed an afternoon visiting with Pfc. Stuart Taylor Schlichtemeier at their Marine Base in the central Pacific last Sunday. Stuart came over to Billy's camp for the afternoon and attended a baseball game and show, they hope to visit again.

Earl Cox has accepted a county position. He is operator of the Nehawka patrol maintainer of the highways in this vicinity; commissioner Hart was in Nehawka last Friday and visited him at his work.

Betty Ross music instructor of the Eagle school, was a week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Ross and sons.

Bessie Murdoch entertained the Otterbein Aid Society Thursday afternoon, social visiting and quilting; were enjoyed. Miss Murdoch served lovely refreshments.

Mrs. Robert Bensen and children from Waukegan, Illinois are guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pollard for a few days; her husband from the Great Lakes Naval Base will join his family here later for a furlough visit.

Nelson Berger is seriously ill at the Methodist hospital, Omaha.

The Senior Play was presented Wednesday and Thursday evenings at the auditorium at Nehawka. A good attendance was had both nights.

Cast: Louis Kuntz, Robert Johnson, Elmer Ross, Joan Kropp, Mildred Nutzman, Dick Gregg, Clinton Anderson, Lawrence Cox, Margie Sturm and Redda Edwards.

Director: Supt. G. W. Weik, class sponsor.

Entertainment between acts was tap dancing by Patty Heebner; piano accordion music, John Murdoch, and presentation of Good Neighbor Awards to Miss Evelyn Wolph and Mrs. F. O. Sand for 4-H club leadership, a bronze plaque to Glenn Rutledge, as editor of the Nehawka newspaper, he sends the weekly copies to all servicemen from this community and a recognition button pin to the fourteen members of the Cass County Cannery of 1944 for club work achievements; these were presented by Mrs. Marian Tucker in behalf of the Knights of Akarsben of Omaha and by this organization.

Nelson Berger is a surgery patient at Methodist hospital, at Omaha.

Sgt. LeRoy Schwartz, son of Otto Schwartz, wounded in Germany in March, is back in action. He sent his Purple Heart award to Nehawka.

Sgt. Willard Waller, is enjoying a furlough with his wife and baby daughter here. He has been in the Italian area since August, 1943, in an engineer's petroleum distribution company. His home was formerly at Brock, Neb. His wife, the former Bernice Snyder, is making her home there for the duration. Sgt. Waller will be home about six weeks, until June 11, then reports at camp at Fort Leavenworth for new assignment.

Joe Drennen, S1c, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Drennen, former Nehawkans, were visitors here Wednesday night. Joe has been in the navy since December, 1943.

Max Koehnke and wife visit city.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Koehnke were visiting here this week with Mrs. Marie Koehnke, mother of Max and Mrs. Rose Bookmeyer, an aunt. Mr. Koehnke is an inspector of the Nebraska Certified Potato Grower's association whose home is in Alliance.

Mr. and Mrs. Koehnke are on their way home from an inspection trip through the southern states.

MURDOCK

Mr. A. D. Zaar entered the Clarkson hospital of Omaha last week for a checkup and treatment that he hopes will benefit his health.

Mr. Ed Wagner made a business trip to Lincoln and Friend the first of the week.

George Melvin who has been spending his furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Melvin, of Bellevue came down to Murdock Thursday to visit his former friends and school mates. He is a graduate of the Murdock High School.

Miss Norma Bornemeier spent Thursday in Lincoln on business for the Paul Stock Implement Company and visiting relatives.

Dean Gakemeier who has been living in Ashland for sometime has moved his residence to lots in the east part of Murdock and making some improvements on it. This will place him much nearer his work.

Vernon Schewe was up to Mead a few days ago and purchased some lumber from the Mead Ordinance plant.

Peter Maukenhaupt of the Greenwood vicinity was a Murdock visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Johansen who have spent the winter in Lincoln have moved back to Murdock and are occupying their own home.

M. A. Gillispie who operates one of the school busses has been assisting Mr. Wagner in his painting operation during his spare time.

Arrangements have been made with Paul Stock to put on free moving picture shows in Murdock every Wednesday night during the summer. The first one was in R. N. A. hall Wednesday of this week but when the weather warms up they will be on the city lots north of the bank.

Mr. John Wood of Wabash was a business visitor in Murdock Friday.

O. B. Lupardus returned the first of the week from a business trip to Hutchinson, Kansas.

Tech. Sarg. Lloyd Towle of Lincoln visited at the McHugh Fred and Henry Towle homes during the past week. Since leaving the states, fifteen months ago, Lloyd has encircled the globe, in going to and from Indo-China, where his company has been constructing and maintaining the Burma Road. He will return to India after his forty-five day furlough.

Mrs. C. R. Platt left Sunday for Grand Island after spending the week with her mother, Mrs. McHugh and family.

Lt. Edwin T. McHugh and wife left Thursday for Norfolk, Va. after his leave of thirty days. Edwin will take up work and remain on the Navy Base for some three months at Norfolk. He has spent the past seventeen months as a pilot on a Liberator patrolling and bombing the seas surrounding the coasts of French Morocco, Gibraltar, England, France and the Azores.

Miss Gladys Coatman of Grand Island was present at the family dinner Sunday in the home of her brother, Wm. Coatman.

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Last Friday was a dark day for Mrs. Evelyn Schow Meyers. While working in the University library at Lincoln she received the message that her husband, Sgt. Joe Meyers, had been killed in action while with Gen. Patton's army in Germany. That evening Evelyn, with her sister, Mildred, came on to Elmwood where they spent most of their time with Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Lind. Her friend, Miss Mabel Broderick, drove to Lincoln with them next day. Mrs. Meyers resigned her work at the library, and in company with a cousin has gone to Wyoming to spend time with her relatives and those of Mr. Meyers.

Miss Clarice Hotle was an Omaha visitor on Wednesday.

Mrs. Currin Shields and two children of India are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Greene. They spent Sunday with relatives in Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Cook are enjoying a ten day visit of their son, David, S2c, of Bainbridge, Maryland, school. Their daughter Margaret can be with them on week ends only as she is in school in Lincoln.

Mrs. Bessie Fellows, now of Lincoln, recently suffered a broken arm in a fall. At present she is making her home with her

many. Funeral services were held Monday at 10:00 A. M. from the Catholic church. Francis Reynolds officiating. Burial in Greenwood cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Todd and Mrs. Ida Strahn called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ethridge Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Anderson and son called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rouse Friday evening.

Elmwood

Mrs. Verna Miller Richards visited over the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roll Miller, and her sister, Marjorie. Verna is stenographer at the Cadwallader Fur Co. store.

A committee meeting of two members each from the three local church women's groups, was held at the Evangelical parsonage on Saturday evening. The purpose was to prepare a program for a meeting in the interest of the returning soldier personnel, at which time consideration of organizing a Women's Council for the duration will be the subject of the business session. Mrs. J. L. Jochens acted as chairman that evening and Mrs. Don Parish as secretary. The program and tea are to be held at the Christian church Friday, May 4, at 2 p. m. All ladies of the community are invited to this May Fellowship day.

Albert Kunz has moved into the home known as the Mary Warner property. Atty. J. A. Capwell of Plattsmouth has charge of the business management. A new roof has been put on the house this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion McCrory came home from Kansas City, and her mother, Mrs. Tyson, came from Lincoln, all having been away for the winter. Marion will return to his work at the city ere long.

Mrs. Byron Clements received a card shower on her birthday, April 27.

It was indeed a pleasant evening last Friday for Chief Yeoman Frank Turner and Mrs. Turner when they with some friends were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Penterman.

This has been a busy week at the Douglas home. The clothing and paper for the drives were deposited on her front screened porch, and Mrs. Douglas did most of the packing. They are to be sent away early next week. Responses have been very generous.

The Rebekah convention on Wednesday was a decided success. Four of the visiting lodges were in attendance.

The seniors departed on Friday with decorated cars for their annual sneak day. Perchance we can tell more about their experiences next week.

Interesting closing meetings for the year of the Project clubs were recently held. The Fairview group met with Mrs. Ed James, and the town Blue Bird club with Mrs. Mendhall. They are now looking forward to Achievement Day on May day at Weeping Water.

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GREENWOOD

Mrs. Ross Casey was called to Omaha Monday by the death of her Grandfather Mr. Johnson.

Miss Dorothy Vant of Lincoln left Wednesday for California.

Mr. H. Brehm entertained the J. C. C. Thursday afternoon at the Hotel in Ashland.

Mrs. W. M. Kelly of Omaha spent Thursday night and Friday at the Martin Maker home.

M. W. M. club met Thursday with Mrs. Charley Card in honor of Mrs. Card's birthday. The afternoon was spent playing Pinochle.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarvis Cameron and Jim Bright left for California Wednesday.

Several from the three clubs are planning on going to Weeping Water for achievement day.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Keller of Havelock were dinner guests Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kyles.

Miss Mamie Holka daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holka passed away at her home last Friday evening after a brief illness, she was born in Greenwood and attended school there in 1937 when she began work with the Lincoln telephone and telegraph company. Later she transferred to Ceresco and then to Lincoln in 1941, where she worked as along distance operator.

Besides her parents she leaves two sisters Margaret and Thelma of Ceresco and a brother Earl with the armed forces in Ger-

daughters, Hazel and Janice. Mrs. Hulfish and Herbert are now nicely located in the Winkler property. Their home which was damaged so severely by the fire will be repaired after Herbert finishes his year as caretaker of the school building, and when he can get help for the work.

Pvt. Ted Hall of this place was one of the marine aviation men to take part in the Okinawa invasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Greene were Lincoln visitors on Saturday. Coming home with them for Sunday was their daughter, Shirley, who is employed in the KFAB office on the fourth floor of the Sharp building. This week Mr. and Mrs. Greene are on a business trip in Colorado. Harry has a large wall paper wholesale territory.

Mrs. Mary Phillips received word on Monday that her husband, Pvt. Vincent Phillips, was seriously wounded while serving in the big drive with Gen. Patton's Division.

Last Sunday was an especial day at the Methodist church when Miss Winnie Gabrielson, a returned missionary from India, gave an impressive talk. Miss Gabrielson has also preached in Sweden and in Lincoln where she served in the pulpit once presided over by her father. She is a relative of Rev. Lind.

It looks good to see Harry Marshall on the streets again after a long illness.

The music students in our school received some fine markings in the District Contest at Auburn last Friday. The Girls Sextette and the mixed quartette were rated excellent as were the vocal solos of Marianna Parish and Margradel Shreve. The girls' trio was superior, and there were six numbers scoring good. Mrs. Doris Coatman Frolich is music instructor here this year.

The town kensington enjoyed an especially full meeting on Thursday, both in attendance and program, at the home of Mrs. Melvin Miller. A poem from Mrs. Myrtle Robertson, now of Murdock, was read and the ladies wrote to her, some of which was in verse, also. The president, Miss Grace Wood, presented plans for the Red Cross quilt project to be taken up next month. Gardens and spring was the lesson program led by Mrs. Gerbeling and Mrs. Monning.

The Woman's Council of the Christian church met on Thursday afternoon this week. so the members could be free to attend the convention at Plattsmouth on Friday.

Guy L. Clements, Ray Preaton and Everett Lynn attended the county convention of the American Legion at Plattsmouth on Thursday.

Miss Rachel Gonzales arrived on Thursday evening from Chicago where she has been working at the American Meat Institute.

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Dooley Named To State Council

LINCOLN. (U.P.)—Sens. Tom Dooley, Papillion; Harry Foster, Charles Tyrdek and Cliff Ogden, all of Omaha, will represent the second congressional district on the legislative council, it was announced today.

The other 12 members of the council, from Districts One, Three and Four, were named yesterday.

Flight Officer John Jacobs Here

Flight Officer John H. Jacobs has been spending a few days here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Jacobs as well as the other members of the family circle.

John is now stationed at Buckley Field, near Denver and is feeling the new post very well, he is liked in the best of condition after being ill for some time at his former station in Florida.

Resigns From Credit Bureau

Mrs. Charlotte Gall, who has been engaged as secretary at the Plattsmouth Credit Bureau for sometime past, has resigned her position at the office.

Mrs. Thomas Thomsen, of Nebraska City, manager of the bureau, will take over the work here until such time as it may be possible to train another secretary.

Senior Class Gives Annual Dramatic Treat

"Nine Girls" Proves a Thriller In Every Way for a Large Audience Thursday Night

By Sue Bordelon

Mystery and fear prevail as a murderess tries to cover up her tracks in the senior class play, "Nine Girls," which was given Thursday night at eight o'clock in the high school auditorium and which will be presented again tonight at the same time and place.

For when a young lady kills her rival—accidentally, of course—then eliminates her rivals best friend, (she knew too much), why that's taking a long step towards a career of crime. But then when the same dame takes the poker to her own best friend, there is trouble a plenty. The audience cringed with Joyce Brookhouser, (in the role of "Eve") as she screamed for help. Scared me too.

However, all is not gore. There is much fun to be found in this play about a group of college sorority kids. There is the slapping, ever-hungry, "Shotput," played by Patricia Stander. (They clear the room for action when she comes racing in). There is Glamorpus, (Darlene White), who gets more chills from Lady Macbeth's killing ways than when she finds that there's a corpse in the closet. And of course there's "Tennessee," (Helen Jane Kruger), who, in a faked accent says "we-all" and "you-all" to let you know she's from the south. Real acting ability, however, belongs to Elinore Eaton who played the part of Jane, a medical student. You may remember her as Jo, of "Little Women," in last year's Junior Class play. Meet "Frieda," the wisecracker, Dorothy Wargia; "Mary," who is gentle, but oh so tough, Beverly Sutton; "Alice," who got a letter from a dead person, Elizabeth Perry; "Shirley," a quizzical little kid, Annie Lee White; and "Phyllis," one of Jane's friends, Mary Evers.

This play has something new and different in mysteries. It puts the audience "in the know" about what's going on. It is fast and has its funny moments, but it will make you glance over your shoulder more than once to see if there's anyone with homicidal intentions following you.

Entertainment between acts and before the play was provided by Harold Pickering, who played a medley of songs on the piano, Richard Sack, who sang "On the Road to Mandalay," and Eloise Cole, who also played several piano numbers.

Director of the play is Mrs. Alta Reade; assistant directors, Elinore Eaton and Mary Evers; stage managers, Charles Wolover and Norman Perry; scenery committee, members of the cast; electrician, Dick Livingston; publicity chairman, Sue Bordelon; committee, Richard Sack, Norma Moore and Mary Evers; program, Peggy Highfield; property manager, Patricia Stander; sound effects, Vivian Kalasek, Duane Sack.

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Harry Williams Suffers Pneumonia

Cass county friends will regret to learn that Harry A. Williams long time resident of Elmwood, is quite seriously ill at his home in that village.

Mr. Williams has been ill for some time but in the last few days has suffered an attack of pneumonia that has made his condition most serious and caused a great deal of apprehension to the members of the family.

Mrs. Russell Reeder of this city, a daughter, left Tuesday afternoon for Elmwood to be with the other members of the family at the bedside of Mr. Williams.

MURRAY

The Aid Society meeting of the Christian church has been postponed from the second of May to the ninth, which will be their annual Guest Day.

The people of the vicinity responded splendidly to the call for clothing, in the United National clothing drive which has now closed.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Puls have received a letter recently from their Marine son, Ralph, from whom no word had come for five weeks. He writes he is on Okinawa-Shima, and as the censorship has been lifted he can tell them of his whereabouts. They landed there April first, and he was feeling fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Schanott and family, moved last week onto the Hobscheidt farm where they will farm this year.

Mrs. Anna Rhoden, who has spent the past several months in Plattsmouth with her Grand daughter Mrs. Thelma Albin and family, returned home Friday, and is happy to be at home again.

Fred Hild is placing a new composition roof on the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Boeleker.

Mrs. Leona Reed was spending the past week end with her relatives in Auburn, returning Sunday evening.

In a recent communication from Mrs. Martis, now of Sacramento, California, she writes Mrs. Herman Richter that he daughter, Mrs. Ann Bergman is soon to enter the Suttan Hospital at Sacramento for a serious operation. The Martis and Bergman families are well remembered here where they made their homes for a number of years.

Edwin Bickett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bickett, is to report at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, on Wednesday, for induction into the army.

Mrs. Paul Richter made a week end visit with her brother and family at Hiawatha, Kansas.

Charles E. Spangler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Spangler, reported at Great Lakes on March 26, after enlisting in the Navy a few weeks previous, following his passing the Eddy Test, and made S 1c. He has now been promoted to 3rd class Petty Officer.

Mrs. Otto Puls reports that her sister, Mrs. Charles Schnell of Omaha, who has been in poor health for some time, entered the Lutheran Hospital April 19th for treatments, and has been given a number of blood transfusions. Mrs. Schnell has visited in this locality in the years past, with her sisters, Mrs. Puls and Mrs. James Tigner and their families, will be remembered by many friends.