

Rev. Morris Goes East on Business

The Rev. Roy P. Morris, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, of Murray, Pa. While there, he will attend the annual meeting of the board of directors of the Pittsburgh - Xenia Theological seminary, representing the Synod of Nebraska, as well as the commencement exercises which will be held on Thursday evening, May 12th. He also expects to spend a few days with his 89-year-old mother at his home near Pittsburgh. He will return in time for the services on May 15th. That afternoon, he is to go to Cuba, Kansas, to preach the baccalaureate sermon to the graduation class of the Cuba

high school. His son, Kenneth, is the coach and teaches history at this school, and he will spend a short time with him and his family, returning to his home on Wednesday, May 18th.

Because of his absence, there will be no morning worship services in Murray on May 8th, but the Bible school will meet at the usual time at 10. In the evening, a service will be held, and the sound picture, "A Woman to Remember," will be shown. Everyone is invited to this service.

VFW Remodeling Their Club Rooms

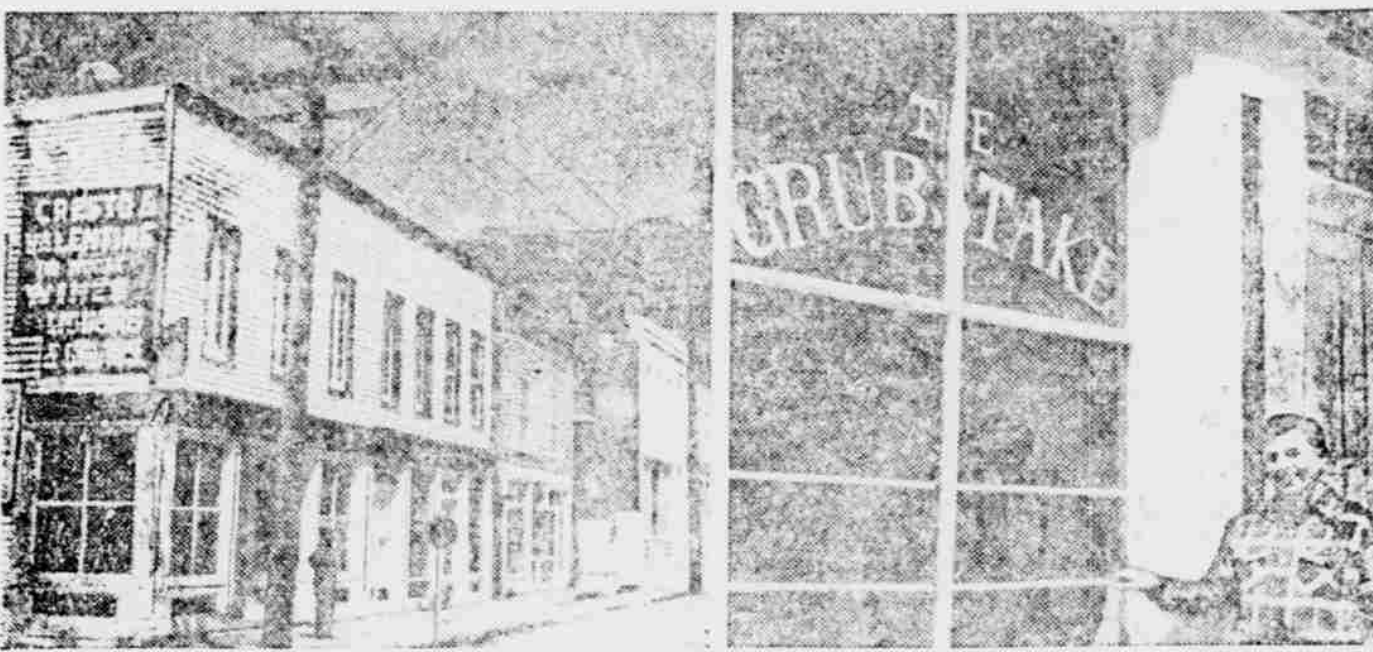
The club rooms of the Leperit-Wolverer post of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, located in the Nerste building on Main street, opposite the court house, is now undergoing a program of remodeling and redecorating that will place them in most attractive shape and ready for the district convention of the VFW, that will meet here in the latter part of May.

The remodeling is now practically over, only the decorating now remains. The series of rooms comprise the section devoted to dancing or the club meetings and adjoined by the lounge, where tables and chairs make a cozy spot for those who wish a chat or to watch the dancers. To the north of the lounge is the section devoted to the bar and lunch kitchen and accessible to those who wish to visit with their friends. The kitchen is to be made strictly modern and provided with means of serving those who may wish to enjoy a bite while at the club.

The decorative plan for the rooms is to be in the light colors to make the rooms bright and cheerful and attractive to the members and their guests.

Janice Lynn Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Taylor, was a week-end visitor in Plattsmouth at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Sheard.

MINING CAMPS COME BACK TO LIFE



Even the curious old sign on the side of the building at the extreme left, painted in a fit of anger instead of following copy, by an itinerant sign-painter, was restored along with other historic features of Georgetown, Colo., one of the many of the west's once-famous mining towns recently restored as tourist attractions. The present population is 300—one a 10th of the population of boom times, but the town is due to boom again this summer as news of its novel restoration continues to spread and attract tourists.

Three years ago Ben Draper of Georgetown, Colo., a research economist professionally, formed a company to rescue some of the glory that was Georgetown in the 1870s when it was the world's most famous silver mining camp.

The company bought up a goodly share of the town's dilapidated real estate and began mending and otherwise reviving its historic buildings and other remnants of boom times.

Banner Season Ahead.
Today, Georgetown is looking forward to a banner tourist season as news of the novel restoration continues to spread and attract curious visitors from all over.

Among the attractions Draper and his wife have provided for visitors is an old-time vaudeville, silent movies of 50 years ago, a gift shop, small museums, and—the Grubstake, a restaurant they've opened in one of the old buildings to serve mining camp dinners, including cornbread, apple butter, home-made pies and baked meat turnovers of the kind first brought to the mining region by Cornishmen, its earliest residents. (The ad-

joining St. James Hotel & Bar boasts an original elbow-rail.)

Georgetown is not the only once-famous mining town that is booming again out west. "Ghost" towns in varying states of preservation dot the fabulous Mother Lode country of northern California by the score, according to the National Geographic society, and some of the more famous—or perhaps "notorious"—is a better word—have been restored preparatory to California's gold-rush centennial, while others have never really become ghosts at all—like Placerville (once known as Dry Diggins and later as Hangtown), San Andreas, Angels Camp and Sonora.

Columbia Part of State Park.
Then there's Columbia (once known as Hildreth Diggins and later as American Camp), Cherokee, North San Juan, Hornitos and Volcano. A state law passed in 1945 made Columbia part of a new state park and provided for restoration of gold-rush buildings.

Another attraction is Coloma, where the frenzied rush started in 1848 when John W. Marshall

picked up a small nugget in the tailrace of Sutter's Mill.

At Ansel's Camp, where Mark Twain's leaping water, Daniel Webster, met his Waterloo, a jumping frog jubilee is held annually.

Also sharing the stage in the centennial ghost-town scene are Tonopah, Goldfield, Rhyolite and Bullfrog, in southern Nevada.

"Madame Moustache's."
Then there's a Nevada city where "Madame Moustache" operated California's fanciest and highest-stake gambling house and bar, and Virginia City, Nev., where some 30,000 grubbed in the Emmons Comstock Lode diggings in the 1870s.

Other gold-rich towns, now "ghosts" whose names remind visitors of the days when the west was truly "wild and woolly" are Poker Flat, Roaring Camp, Red Dog, Fiddletown, Simpson's Bar and Second Garrote—all scenes in Bret Harte stories.

Then there's Rough and Ready, You Bet, Grizzly Flats, Lost Chance, Whiskey Side, Jackson Hill, Semahle Town and Paradise (originally Pair-O-Dice).

D. A. R. Chapter Holds Fine Meeting

Fontenelle chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Pearl Mann.

The chief business of the session was that of the election of officers for the ensuing year and the following were selected: President—Mrs. Zephia Seward; Vice-Regent—Miss Pearl Mann; Treasurer—Mrs. Pearl Mann; Secretary—Mrs. C. A. Rosenkrans; Registrar and Historian—Mollie C. Gobelman; Chaplain—Mrs. E. H. Westcott.

The chapter voted to give \$5 as a prize to the highest ranking senior in the study of American history, citizenship medals to the students highest in the study of citizenship, \$1 to student in a rural school on citizenship.

Refreshments were served at the close of the evening. The closing meeting of the year will be held at the home of Mrs. Rosenkrans and Mrs. Seward.

Sandra Nielsen Has 6th Birthday

Sandra Nielsen celebrated her sixth birthday anniversary on Saturday, April 30th at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Nielsen in Oakmont. There were twenty guests present to join in the pleasant afternoon of games and visiting.

In honor of the event she received many beautiful gifts from the little friends to remind her of the happy occasion.

During the afternoon refreshments of ice cream and cake were served by Mrs. Nielsen with was assisted by Mrs. E. H. Sothan.

RETURNS HOME

Mrs. Wayne Seales returned Friday from St. Mary's hospital at Nebraska City, where she had undergone an appendectomy.

Several women of the local Methodist Church attended the District meeting of the Woman's Society of Christian Service held at First Church, Omaha, last Friday.

Naomi Roloff is Tendered Shower

About eighty-five guests were present at a miscellaneous shower given at the Christ Lutheran church on the Plattsmouth-Louisville road on Sunday, May 1st, for Miss Naomi Roloff. Due to threatening weather a number were unable to attend.

Games were enjoyed as the entertainment after which the honoree opened her lovely gifts. Miss Dorothy Hill, Mrs. Patricia Dettmer, Miss Betty Hill, Miss Joy Hill and Joan Lentz assisted her in opening and unpacking the gifts and taking names of friends, after which a delicious lunch was served by the hostesses, Mrs. John Hill, Mrs. Ernest Hill, Mrs. Joe Puls, Mrs. Arthur Geschke, Mrs. Patricia Dettmer and Mrs. L. Roloff assisting.

Miss Roloff will be married Sunday, June 12th to Bill Worthan of Plattsmouth at the Christ Lutheran church.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEET

St. John's Altar Society met Wednesday at St. John's Hall with a very good attendance. It was opened with a prayer by Mrs. Ed Ruffner. Minutes by Mrs. Ed Berlett; Treasurer's report by Mrs. John Bergmann. After the meeting, games were enjoyed by all. Prizes were as follows: Special, Mrs. Anna Petersen; Bridge, Mrs. Henry Starkjohn; Pinochle, Mrs. John Bauer, Jr.; Chinese Checkers, Mrs. Alice Rohan.

The meeting closed with a delicious luncheon served by a committee of whom Mrs. Joe Bierl was chairman. Helping were Mrs. Joe Deiter, Mrs. Josephine Ulrich, Mrs. Ed Deiter and Mrs. E. J. Richey.

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA
Mrs. William Hooper of Los Angeles, Calif., is here for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Carmack, the former a brother of Mrs. Hooper, and as well with many of the old friends that are still residing in this community. Mrs. Hooper will be remembered here as the former Mayne Carmack.

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Cub Pack Joins Crusade to Support Liberty

Cub pack 367 held their regular meeting of the month last Friday night, April 29th. The newly elected officers for the ensuing year were on hand for their various duties. The officers are as follows:

Cub Master—Otto Weber.
Ass't. Cub master—Glenn O. Diggs.
Committee Chairman—Walter H. Smith.
Activities Chairman—Richard E. Beverage.
Secretary—Orville V. Nielsen.
Treasurer—Edward Mische.

The meeting got under way in the approved way of separate meetings of the boys and parents, later being all joined for the main part of the meeting. Walter Smith as chairman, had charge of the parents' meeting where an open forum meeting was held on the following subject: "What changes have taken place in our family since we have a Cub Scout?" During this time the six Den chiefs of the six Dens had charge of the Cub Scouts in a bingo game.

During the joint meeting the regular monthly advancements and achievements were issued. Otto Weber, c.m., welcomed three new Cubs into the pack, namely, Richard Janda, Robert Lingford, Donald Winscott. Glenn Diggs then had charge of the advancements and achievements. Orville Nielsen, the only "Old Timer" in the new committee, had charge of the graduation ceremony which saw Larry Jenkins graduate into Boy Scouting and being received into Troop 367 by their representative.

The last part of the meeting was then used to carry out the ceremony on the crusade of "Strengthening the Arm of Liberty." This crusade is a two-year program launched by the entire Boy Scout movements to foster and promote a better understanding of our Country and its ideals and privileges.

This part of the program was in charge of Orville Nielsen, who acted in his capacity of Cass District Commissioner. During the ceremony, Otto Weber, Cub master, was asked to present the pack torch which had received its light from the council torch. This light was originally started at the foot of the Statue of Liberty on Bedloe's Island in New York Harbor, from where it had been handed to the twelve regional torches who in turn gave the light to the 48 state torches, and they in turn to the various council torches from which this pack received its light.

The six Den Chiefs were then called on to light their torches and to return to their respective

Dens and each Cub Scout was then to light his torch, thus completing the cycle from the Statue of Liberty to the individual members of our Cub Pack.

The ceremony used by Mr. Nielsen was a very impressive one and all who watched or took part could not help but feel that it would certainly work its change in the thinking of all those present. Following the lighting ceremony, all were arranged in a group for a picture which is shown elsewhere.

Special neckerchief slides were issued to the Cubs, and Den Chiefs, and also special pins for all Den Mothers and committee members.

Rotary Club Has Fine Program

The Rotary club had the opportunity Tuesday to enjoy a fine program at the weekly luncheon made possible through the efforts of Mrs. Orville Nielsen and Mrs. J. Howard Davis who were entertaining the Rotary Annas at tea. The ladies had arranged with Mrs. Russell Reeder and Mrs. I. M. Hepperley of Fremont to have as guests at the tea, Miss Kari Bierke and Miss Bert Takstad of Oslo, Norway, and the group were loaned to the Rotary for the program.

The ladies are exchange students with American colleges and are attending Midland college at Fremont. They told very interestingly of their native land and appeared in the costumes of the old world. Miss Bejerke also favoring the members of the club with two numbers, "Arabesque" by Debussy and "The Wedding Dance" by Greig on the piano. Miss Russell Reeder also sang two songs, "I Was a Tree" and "Don't Speak to Me of Spring."

The high school students who will be Rotarians for the month of May were presented, they being Wendell Peterson, Junior, and Richard Gerberling, Senior. The program chairman of the day was Howard Hirz and the meeting presided over by President J. Howard Davis.

T. H. Pollock Back from Colorado Trip

T. H. Pollock and his son-in-law, Virgil W. Perry, returned from their trip to Colorado where they spent several days in looking over the land interests of Mr. Pollock.

They visited in the vicinity of Cheyenne Wells, Hugo, Burlington and Kit Carson, while in the west.

Mr. Pollock reports that the conditions there look very good and the farmers are having prospects of a good crop this year. There are many large land owners in that section of the state, one having 150,000 acres under his domain.

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Journal Family Visit at Alma

R. R. Furse, publisher of the Journal, with Mrs. Furse and their son, "Butch," were visitors over the week-end at Alma, Nebraska, with Mrs. H. C. Furse, mother of Mr. Furse. Alma is the old home of the Furse family who have for many years operated the Harlan County Journal and while there they were able to meet many of the old friends.



I REMEMBER...
By THE OLD-TIMERS

From D. B. of Chicago: "I remember when a woman wasn't considered a lady unless she had hair long enough to sit on. My sisters and I used to wash each other's manes and then spend all day in the garden drying them. I was the first in our set to have my knee-length locks shorn in an Irene Castle bob. I did it on a dare and couldn't go out for weeks, because I was in disgrace!"

From R. H. Sedgwick to R. O. (Dick) Helwig: "What has become of those ever-so-frequent fist fights after school? Every recess and after-



noon there was sure to be a scrap somewhere—shaking fists and the inevitable threat, "Wait 'til I get you after school tonight!"

From Mrs. Ella Kristenson of Omaha, Neb.: "I remember the time I spent my evenings trying to pick out the cactus thorns from my feet calloused from running barefooted, but conscious of pain from stickers I could not find."

From Mrs. Mary Stewart of Chicago: "I remember when a good neighbor, handy with the scissors, would gather the neighbors' boys and trim and cut their hair, without the aid of a bowl. Sometimes he'd get a nasty note from a dissatisfied mother."

From A. A. Schlieske of Chicago: "I remember when we could buy a straw hat for just 10 or 15 cents."

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