While making a survey of returns in 1948, the Bureau found that 14,000,000 returns contained errors, with the Government being short \$1,400,000,000 and the tour twister, is a most virtuous gal. She taxpayers short only \$100,000,000.

Because of inadequate help, many of the erroneous returns for any year will not be adjusted. While spot checks will be made of a selected number of returns in the lower brackets, all those reporting income of \$25,000 or more will be fully

Another surprising revelation is that business men, despite their training, make mistakes in nearly half of their returns. This includes sole owners of farms or nonfarming enterprises, which are not incorporated, doctors, dentists, lawyers and other professional men. Because of the high percentage of error, the returns of this class will be checked more closely in the future.

Undoubtedly many of the mistakes made in connection with filing income tax returns are honest errors. Equally undoubted, is the intentional effort of some taxpayers to avoid as much of the levy as they can. These mistakes take from the Government more than a billion dollars a year and it would seem to be wise to permit the Internal Revenue Bureau to employ more assistants in order to catch the mistakes and collect the proper sums from all taxpayers.

#### COMMENDATION FOR SEN. WILEY

We call attention to the action of Senator Alexander Wiley, of Wisconsin, who recently wrote a man, nominated for a Federal judgeship, asking information about "certain rumors."

The Wisconsin Senator, ranking minority member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, declined to make public a series of questions, explaining that he kept them secret in fairness to the nominee.

Declaring that he did not intend to be a party to any "smear assault," the Wisconsin Senator pointed out that naturally there swirls about almost any man in public office a certain amount of adverse repersonal, petty vindictiveness.

in regard to questions sent to the nominee. it or were preparing copy for the "Bellevue If we had more examples of this kind in Romber" to be run weakly in the Lower run. If we had more examples of this kind, in Bomber" to be run weekly in the Journal the Senate and elsewhere, the public would adopt a judicial attitude toward city owned waterplant with Henningsen many reports that are circulated about Engineering Company drawing up plans. some of our officials.

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WITHOUT A CONCLUSION
The Senate's prolonged inquiry into the dismissal of General of the Army Douglas MacArthur from his commands ended after nearly eight weeks of testimony, with an estimated 2,045,000 words in the record and no probability of any conclusive report.

The testimony was mostly that of military leaders, with Secretary of State Acheson and a few others sandwiched between. The military experts did not agree upon the matters discussed. They were almost as far apart as the Senators who listened to the cascade of words.

of government, to remove General Mac-Arthur. As Commander-in-Chief of the nation's armed forces, the Chief Executive acted within his constitutional powers but, for the most part, the opinion was that the removal should have been handled differently.

#### THOUGHT FOR TODAY

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Philosophy is the account which the human mind gives to itself of the constitution of the world.

- R. W. Emerson

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"COME INTO MY PARLOUR \_"

SECTION B CASS COUNTY'S NEWSpaper

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#### Furse's Fresh Flashes

Flipper Fanny, our dainty little concan say "No" in nine different languages.

Our local town sot should visit the blood bank the next time it's in town and have them drain his eyes.

A Plattsmouth widow says the next man she marries must be a man who will pick up things and be quiet around the house. She should marry a burglar.

Kansas, with her floods and recent legalization of liquor, should be wet enough right now for Carrie Nation to | turn over in her grave.

A fool and his money are some party.

Mark up a unanimous vote among local merchants for the good old days when a ceiling was something that went over your head but didn't get in your hair.

It's dangerous to place a woman on a pedestal-makes it easy for her to kick you in the teeth.

If you need something to worry about, you might chew on this for a while: A scientist says the sun is becoming hotter and that eventually the oceans will boil. \* \* \*

### Down Memory Lane

10 YEARS AGO Mrs. Louis Tiekotter, Joan and Kenneth returned from a visit in Wisconsin where they were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben H. Woodward and family at Beaver Dam. Mr. Woodward was director of music in the local schools during their residence here . . . Don Seiver, general millions of dollars worth of from behind the bench and were Commissioners Nelson Le chairman for the city's metal drive, in property ruined in a flood which planting himself in front of Lee. Smith, Harrington Wimberly, keeping with the national effort announced the opening of drive assisted by all had been followed. civic organizations in the city . . . A large crib was placed at the intersection of 5th | based and some of which are based on and Main where collections of aluminum pots and pans and other scrap metal was lustrates why Harry Truman is of Wallgren's tactics was to Everbody should applaud the Wiscon- being dumped . . Mrs. Hoyt Clark editor almost certain not to be elec- bombard pro-consumer lawyers Federal Power Commission from almost certain not to be elec- bombard pro-consumer lawyers that regulating sales of natural gas sin Senator for the fair method he adopted and Mrs. W. J. Shallcross, associate ed-ted President of the United with so many questions that regulating sales of natural gas

. . . Local city council began move for a

porter of second district, with Robert Nichols of Louisville planned a trip and camping vacation in the north . . . Geo. Schmader, local boxer won a six round bout at the athletic show at the carnival here . . . Miss Mary Peterson returned

. . . A group of Murray residents held a picnic supper in the vicinity of King Hill honoring the Murray Red Sox baseball team, in appreciation of the fine work homa. But it would have boosted ed by Commissioner Draper, the shown by this team the past season . . . The Ofe Oil Co. afforded residents an opportunity of viewing the largest tire in and gas companies. So Truman the world-this giant tire was 12-ft. high vetoed it In general, there was agreement as to and 4-ft. wide, and mounted on a special the power of the President, under our form bus for exhibition of the product of the Goodyear Company.

# MERRY-60-ROUND

DREW PEARSON SAYS: SENATOR-IAL COURTESY HELPED KANSAS FLOOD: TRUMAN'S POLICY ON NATURAL GAS UNDERCUT BY HIS OWN CRONY: FEDERAL POWER COMMISSION PUTS VETOED KERR BILL INTO FORCE.

Washington .- Part of the damage suffered by the people of Kansas in the current flood would have been avoided but for the custom of senatorial courtesy.

Thirteen years ago, Congress passed pliers of natural gas to Phillips a bill authorizing a 22,000 acre reservoir leases in partnership with Philon Tuttle creek, north of Manhattan, Kansas. It was proposed by the Army Engineers as a means of controlling the floods which have swept eastern Kansas period-

However, the dam was never builtfor the reason that the money never was voted by Congress. Although authorized, bate was the way the president's it was never voted because one of the late poker-playing crony, Chairman Republican Senators from Kansas, Clyde Mon Wallgren, actually broke Reed, objected. Every time the appropriation came up for the Tuttle creek reser- to quote excerpts from the Kerr voir, Senator Reed turned thumbs down, bill. and under the system of senatorial cour- about what Congress thought. tesy he had the final say.

Frank Carlson, now a GOP Senator ed from the bill which his chief from Kansas, was then a Congressman in the White House had vetoed. and did his best to obtain passage of the got into a brawl with James H. appropriation. Later, as governor, Frank Carlson also tried to push the Tuttle creek reservoir through. But Senator Reed had some friends in that area who owned farming land which would have been some farming land which would have been some farming land which would have been some first attorney, who was disability. It is often true that disability incurred in service, the veteran is unable to continue his previous training given may be utilized to the fullest extent practical in the lights of any the disabilities. farming land which would have been their duties. The argument got signed to train the veteran in a new disabilities.

"SAID THE SPIDER



of eastern Kansas.

Why Truman Can't Win An unpublicized incident occurred in the Federal Power undercut the man in the White Truman said about the Kerr bill Commission recently which il- House who appointed him. One a year ago in his veto message

The incident involved a pokerex-Sen. Mon Wallgren, who deliberately cut his chief's throat This has become a favorite 20 YEARS AGO

Glenn Woodbury, district court re
pattern in washington. The White House outlines a policy. Irrequently a fine and couragnous policy. Then the president pattern in Washington. The eous policy Then the president appoints men who throw that policy in the ditch. That's why the Truman administration is being called the "Talk-Big-Do-Little" administration.

This was what he did on one of the most important battles from vacationing in the Pacific Northwest he has waged in the past year -his veto of the Kerr Natural Gas Bill. The bill was authored by a friend of his, powerful. popular Sen. Bob Kerr of Oklathe price of gas to city populations everywhere, and also boosted the profits of the gill

> Yet, believe it or not, Federal Power Commission has now secretly overruled the president's policy and completely

nullified his veto. What the Kerr bill said was that the Federal Power Commission did not have jurisdiction to regulate the price of natural gas going into interstate pipelines. The president, overruling the Kerr Bill, said the Power Commission did have jurisdic-

Secret Vote

But, by a secret 4-to-1 vote the FPC has now decided not to take jurisdiction over the biggest producer of natural gas. Phillips Petroleum, thus directly reversing the president and giving the oil and gas moguls their greatest victory in years. Incidentally, housewives in the cities of the north, midwest and southwest can look for hikes in the price of their gas very

shortly. Significantly also - Senator Kerr is one of the biggest sup-Petroleum. He owns several fighting in Korea will be en- disability compensation at lips, while his Kerr-McGee oil This training was previously the cut off date of July 25, 1956, company owns an estimated \$100,000,000 in natural gas reserves. His gross income of \$12,-000,000 a year makes him the wealthiest man in the Senate.

Truman's Crony Most amazing thing about the Federal Power Commission deinto the final arguments of the attorneys defending the public

"I want to hear something

Wallgren explained, as he quot-

taken over by the proposed res- so hot that Lee started toward term only on June 21, just one ervoir Unfortunately, he put the Commission bench, and day before his previous term their interest ahead of the in- Wallgren pushed back his chair ran out. terest of the rest of the people ready for action. However, aged Those voting with Draper Commissioner Claude Draper against the president and in Now lives have been lost and headed Lee off by dashing out favor of the oil and gas interest

sion In fact, the FPC chairman the public

ished his presentation. Finally, Commissioner Thomas ers. Buchanan blurted angrily: "Don't you think we might have a little more argument from counsel?

An Old Man Gets Tired One day, following these oral arguments, Wallgren called a surprise closed-door meeting to decide the Phillips case. Staff members could hardly believe it when the motion to rule in favor of Phillips and reverse the president's policy was offerman who had battled toothand-nail against the Kerr bill only a year aco.

It may be significant that Draper's confirmation for another term was held up by the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee last month. Now 76 years old, and most of his life a public servant, Draper has no money and little to live on if the Senate had fail- case—a new name was added. ed to confirm him

Though Draper flatly denies

consin Public Service Commis- gren. Only Buchanan voted for

ample, FPC attorney Lambert authority will adequately pro-McAllister was limited to two tect the public interest by per playing crony of the president's. hours to present the public's mitting the commission to precase. Yet Wallgren hurled so vent unreasonable and excessive many irrelevant questions at prices which would give large him that McAllister never fin- windfall profits to gas producers at the expense of the consum-

#### by IAMES C. OLSON, Superintendent STATE MISTORICAL SOCIETY

The proudest case in the entire museum of the State His- included those who were born torical Society in the capitol is in Nebraska, who lived in Nethat which holds the names of braska, or who won honors for those Nebraskans who have won service in Nebraska. The total ber who received the award the Congressional Medal of Hon- of 23 is derived as follows: Civil during the Indian wars is acor, the nation's highest award. Recently, something which sel- War I, 1; World War II, 2; Ko- number of battles in those wars dom occurs took place in that rean conflict, 1, and peacetime, were fought in Nebraska, so men

The new name, as all of you might guess, is that of Sgt. Ernit, members of his own staff est R. Kouma of Dwight, who claim that the Senators held entered the ranks of the naup his confirmation until he tion's most honored heroes when agreed to reverse himself on the President Truman awarded him Kerr bill. Significantly, he was the Medal of Honor, May 19. His finally approved for another act of gallantry, as all of you

## VETERANS' COLUMN

By RICHARD C. PECK Cass County Veterans' Service Officer

Korean Veterans

This was which to train. 1950.

has been known curred in WW II may be en-Richard Peck as G. I. Bill titled to additional training, if Training. Vocational Rehabili- found necessary because of new tation Training is limited solely disabilities. In determining to those who suffered disabili- whether such a veteran needs ties and is designed to train a additional training, and what veteran to pursue some occupa- type he should get, the VA will tion which will enable him to consider his previous records of earn a livelihood in spite of his training, as well as his current

Vocational Rehabilitation for different occupation which he will be able to follow and which The VA has recently issued will not be affected adversely by regulations outlining conditions his disability. The law requires under which veterans who re- that the disability be of such ceive disability as a result of the extent that the VA may pay titled to rehabilitation training. war time rates. Under this law, limited to WW II which is the date applicable to Veterans, but is disabled veterans of World War now extended to II, will not apply. Disabled vetcover veterans erans of the Korean War will disabled on or have nine years from the end after June 27, of the current emergency in

> extended by Pub- The law also provides that Korean veterans who already This training had G. I. Bill Training or Vois not to be con- cational Rehabilitation Trainfused with what ing as a result of disability in-

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successful. Likely if the cease fire priations and banking and curmistice, but when peace will come |

In the meantime, the government here in Washington is operating on a stop gap basis. Since no appropriation bills were passed by the congress when the end of the fiscal year, June 30, rolled around, it was necessary to pass emergency stop gap bills in order that the agencies of government could function and the employees be

By the same token, neither house or senate could get together on an portance during his five years in extension of the highly important office and "has engaged in charnational defense act, which also ex- acter assassination and mud-slingpired June 30, so after an all-night ing tactics, thus discouraging good session, congress passed a 31-day men from holding office." extension of the act, but hedged it about with a ban on any rollback in prices during that 31 days. 139 passed a bill authorizing the So the consumers who were due to importation of Mexican farm labor reap the benefit of some price roll and permitting farmers to employ backs on thousands of articles which Mexican "wet-backs"-those enterthe office of price stabilization had ing the country illegally. A similar already ordered effective July 2, bill authorizing recruitment of will be prevented from cashing in Mexican farm labor was passed by on those lower prices.

price freeze again on these articles ing employment of "wet-backs" a as of June 30. These price roll- felony. backs would have applied to machinery, cotton textiles, shoes, wearing apparel and many household appliances and such items as bolts, screws, nuts, plumbing and drainage specialties, builders hardware, soaps, cleansers, watches, mattresses and box springs, agricultural insecticides and other items.

What will happen to the foreign ments under these programs.

the senate, such as the replace- egy commission, David Lilienthal.

list to 21-a small number when

you consider the thousands of

Nebraskans who have served in

the armed forces since the med-

al was authorized in 1861. Nev-

ertheless, that's a rather high

figure when you consider that

less than 2,500 have been award-

In making up the list, we have

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31 and September 1, 1950.

THERE IS ABOUT a two to one | ment of GOP Senator Vandenburg, chance that the peace talks now deceased, by Senator Blair Moody going on in Korea between repre- of Michigan, two Republicans have sentatives of General Matthew been ousted from important com-Ridgway and Red China may be mittee posts on the senate approorder holds good, there will be rency. The two senators bumped discussion looking toward an ar- were those with lowest seniority, Senators McCarthy of Wisconsin will depend upon weeks of discus. and Bennett of Utah. The GOP assigned McCarthy to the senate rules committee and Bennett was assigned to postoffice and civil

> service committee. This leaves McCarthy without a najor committee assignment. In he meantime, a resolution adopted by the Young Republicans of the Eighth District of Wisconsin, Senator McCarthy's home district, urging McCarthy's defeat in 1952. was given widespread publicity here. The resolution urged the Me-Carthy defeat on grounds that he has accomplished nothing of im-

The house on a roll call of 240 to the senate May 7, but the senate OPS was forced to issue a quick bill contained an amendment mak-

> The senate crime investigating committee now is engaged in a probe of narcotics in the country. As a result of its hearing, nineteen narcotics control bills have been introduced in this congress, largely protecting minors from drug addiction. In the entire 81st Congress only one measure was introduced.

Strangely enough, two former aid progrem, including the Mar- top-notch government employees shall Plan and the aid asked for by upheld the morals and ethics of General Eisenhower is still to be the average government employee seen. It may be that some stop-gap in Washington in testimony before legislation will be necessary to Senator Paul Douglas' senate labor keep the country from lapsing or subcommittee on ethics in govrepudiating some of its commit- ernment. They were former Secretary of Interior Harold Ickes and Because of Democrat increases in former chairman of the atomic en-

Victor Vifquain, who was honknow, occurred while covering ored for gallantry displayed in the withdrawal of United Nathe capture of a Confederate tions forces in Korea, August flag at Fort Blakely, Alabama April 9, 1865. General Vifquain. The addition of Sergeant a Saline County pioneer, return-Kouma's name to this Nebraska ed to Nebraska after the Civil roll of the nation's most bon- War to play an important role

ored brings the number on the in the building of the new state. Both of Nebraska's awards during World War II were made posthumously - the recipients were killed in the action for which they were honored: Ensign John J. Parle of Omaha in the Sicilian invasion, and Pvt Robert D. Booker of Callaway in the Tunisian campaign. Private Booker previously had won the Distinguished Service Cross.

The comparatively high num-War, 4; Indian wars, 14; World counted for by the fact that a serving in Nebraska as well as The first Nebraskan to receive Nebraskans themselves are inthe Medal of Honor was Gen. cluded



