

WEeping WATER

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Arville Meyer, Bill Roloff and Johnny Everett arrived home Sunday morning from Fort Bliss, Texas, for a few days leave.

After they return they will be transferred to Fort Ord, California.

The January meeting of the Junior Woman's Club will be held Thursday, January 20 at the home of Mrs. Frank Cook

with Mrs. Melvin Bickford and Mrs. Neil Patterson as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Rasmus Lauritzen, Jr. will show films taken in Denmark.

The Jr. Woman's Club have discussed plans about taking the March for Mothers again this year. A decision has not yet been reached.

Mrs. Helen Clark entertained the Bridge Club last Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Elizabeth Carley won high score. A guest for the afternoon was Mrs. Harold Elliott.

Mrs. Ben Olive visited Mrs. Sheldon at Nehawka Saturday. They attended the opening of the Gus Neumaster restaurant during this day.

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HARD OF 'EARING — Carl Nelson demonstrates the durable qualities of new plastic anatomical models before the American Association for the Advancement of Science at Berkeley, Calif. Infinitely more rugged than their organic counterparts, the models are for use by medical students.

Garden Club

Eighteen members were present at the Garden Club which met with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Knaup last Friday evening. The vice president, Mrs. Ben Olive conducted the business meeting. Mrs. Sarah Spohn spoke on "Fruits In The Little Garden," and Mrs. J. M. Kanney reported on "All American Vegetables." Quizzes were conducted by Mrs. Ralph Keckler.

The 1951 officers were re-elected to serve during 1955. They are: president, Mrs. T. H. Hanlon; vice president, Mrs. Ben Olive; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Henry Knaup.

Mrs. Sigvald Jensen, Mrs. W. D. Lenker were appointed to the program committee.

At the close of the evening Mrs. Knaup and daughter, Roberta, served lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rough and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wiles were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Hart Sunday.

Guests for dinner at the Harry Cutzer home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kassuber of Weeping Water, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Nelsen of Lincoln. Other visitors dropped in during the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Grosser entertained at a birthday dinner Sunday honoring Mrs. Rubin Grosser.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Baker, Sandy and Randy spent Saturday night and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Don Urwin and Roger at Louisville.

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Community Club

Thirteen members of the Weeping Water Community Club were present for the regular meeting of the club on the evening of Dec. 30, 1954.

The meeting was called to order by the secretary Vern Starr. A financial report was given by the treasurer De Forest Philpot, showing an on hand balance of \$181.25.

Virgil Rhodes, chairman of the Christmas program committee, reported that approximately \$250 was used for the promotion of good will during the holidays.

The nominating committee, headed by Eugene Ludwick, gave their selections as follows: President, E. T. Stacey, vice president, Vern Starr; secretary, Harold Myer; treasurer, De Forest Philpot; director, Neil Mun, kres, Art Meeske and Harold Thoms.

The report of the committee was voted upon and accepted by the membership. Acting president, Starr, informed the new officers that they would be effective immediately.

President Stacey asked the floor for conversation relative to the score of operations for the coming year. It was suggested that a committee by appointed to welcome new residents to Weeping Water.

Clarence Schmadike suggested that a tennis court and skating rink be discussed by the organization, also that the new highway into the city be landscaped. Schmadike stated that he would be happy to serve on either committee. A business-man-farmer banquet was discussed.

John Bender suggested that the club work with the city council to provide rest room facilities in Weeping Water. Virgil Rhodes commented about the financial position of the club on such matters.

It was reported that approximately 350 children attended the free Christmas movie at the Chief theater.

John Bender suggested that the club continue discussion on the possibility of a swimming pool for Weeping Water.

Women's Club

The Weeping Water Women's Club met Tuesday afternoon of last week at the home of Mrs. C. E. Tefft and Miss Ester Tefft. The president, Mrs. E. J. Bender, conducted the business meeting. There were 22 members present and one guest, Mrs. Lois Tefft.

Mrs. S. H. Harmon, music chairman, told the story for the hymn, "He Leadeth Me," and led the club in singing it. Miss Ester Tefft played two piano solos, "Ave Marie" and "To A Wild Rose."

Mrs. Mogens Johnson, the chairman of the courtesy committee gave their reports. Mrs. Arnold Detmer spoke on "New Horizons For Youth," and Mrs. William H. Thornton spoke on "New Horizons for Older Citizens."

Miss Roberta Knaup sang two vocal selections, "Lassie O'Mine" and "Trees" accompanied by Mrs. Harmon at the piano. Mrs. Tefft and Miss Ester Tefft served refreshments from a beautifully appointed table. Mrs. Ben Olive poured. The Club sang "Happy Birthday" to Mrs. Tefft who observed her birthday on January 3.

Larry Hansen, son of Mrs. Vernon Dewey, belongs to the accordion and steel guitar orchestra at Dietz Music Store. During the Christmas holidays they entertained at Cedar Home in Lincoln. Larry plays the accordion.

Joint Meeting

The Junior and Senior groups of the Christian Women's Fellowship held a joint meeting last Thursday afternoon in the church parlors.

Mrs. Lynn Rothe, president, presided over the business meeting. The afternoon opened with a prayer and group singing.

Mrs. J. E. Renner had charge of the devotions.

Mrs. Breckenridge and Mrs. Cyrus Livingston read poems. The scripture was given by Mrs. Linville.

The meeting was closed with a song and prayer. Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Ed Freeman and Mrs. Le Ray Zessin.

The Young Married Group of the St. Paul Lutheran church met Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pearson at Manley.

There were six couples and their families present. The group studied the teachings of different churches.

Lunch was served. They will meet Tuesday, February 1 with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Saxton.

COPPER AT TOMSTONE
TOMSTONE, Ariz. At this site of a silver mining boom in the 1880's a new ore discovery has recently been reported. This time it is copper, found by an exploration company, at the 930-foot level of a silver mine flooded years ago.

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Capitol News

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LINCOLN — The Legislature this week found its work cut out for it in reconciling the pressing demands for more governmental services with the desire for holding the line on spending.

Outgoing Gov. Robert Crosby in his budget message put it straight to the legislators with this remark:

"Two years ago I cut the budget requests of the agencies and bore the ill will of the numerous groups which have a special interest in these agencies. The Legislature in most instances increased the amounts I had recommended, thus winning the plaudits of those same special interest groups.

"It is not necessary that the governor play the villain. The role can be reversed."

Crosby said he was junking the concept of "restraint in state government spending" he fostered two years ago. Now he said he was recommending the amount of money the agencies need for a "reasonable performance" of their duties.

With this Crosby outlined a budget which conceivably could hit the \$215 million mark, the highest in state history by almost \$18 million. It would include around \$45 million in property taxes, also a record high. It is estimated it would take a total state property tax levy of around \$7.50 on each \$1,000 worth of assessed property. The Board of Control should be given enough money for a staff of "highly qualified assistants." Crosby said he thinks the Board of Control now is "engulfed in too many details."

The state should set up a program of aid for the permanently and totally disabled. Since federal aid is available, Nebraska's losing its share.

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The Increases
Here are the big increases recommended from the state general fund, which is largely supported by property tax revenues:

An increase of \$2.8 million for the University of Nebraska for a 17.8 million total. The University wanted an \$18.8 million total. Crosby said this is necessary to keep the University on a level with those in nearby states.

\$2.4 million more for the State Board of Control for a total of \$13.4 million. Much of the increase is for a better mental health program, geared to give intensive treatment to patients at an effort to cure them as quickly as possible.

\$1.1 million for the State Safety Patrol. Part of this is so the Patrol can take back responsibilities of running the state trucking weighing scales and also conducting driver's license examinations. But much of the addition would go to hire 23 more men to go to work patrolling the highways. Crosby

said that adding more patrolmen last June in seven months saved 90 lives that would have been lost if the death rate earlier in the year had continued. \$600,000 for the state teachers training colleges, necessary to keep instructors who are being lured to other states by higher salaries.

The major saving grace was the State Assistance Department where declining relief rolls and other factors have cut the need by \$1.7 million to \$13.3 million.

New Gov. Victor Anderson of Lincoln gives his budget message in another two weeks. He said it won't differ much from from Crosby's.

Recommendations
Outgoing Gov. Crosby had some other recommendations to offer the Legislature:

A new governor's mansion should be built across from the Statehouse. This would take at least \$150,000, he said.

The School for the Blind should be moved away from its antiquated housing at Nebraska City to a town "with a good college." Although Kearney has been suggested, Crosby did not mention it in his speech.

Something must be done about salaries of state officers so governors can hire good men. The Board of Control should be given enough money for a staff of "highly qualified assistants." Crosby said he thinks the Board of Control now is "engulfed in too many details."

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Inauguration

As Victor Anderson was inaugurated as 27th governor of Nebraska, the Lincoln hardware merchant outlined a program of "sound self-government" in his inaugural speech to the Legislature.

"Let us ask for tax dollars sparingly and invest them wisely. Let us see that our govern-

ment is kept close to the people," said the new governor.

New Bills

A bill calling for the sale of the state school lands was one of the early controversial bills introduced. Sen. Monroe Bixler of Harrison was principal introducer. The measure is expected to find considerable opposition.

Bixler also introduced a measure calling for "indefinitely" extending the sixth cent of gasoline tax. Revenues from this tax, due to expire May 9, go to the State Highway Department and have been credited with making a record \$24 million highway building program possible.

A measure to set up a commission to supervise the state's booming new oil and gas industry was also tossed into the legislative mill. Purpose is to keep from wasting this resource, introduced A. A. Fenske of Sunol said.

Penitentiary Probe

Still another investigation of conditions at the State Penitentiary loomed as Sen. Lester Anderson of Aurora introduced a resolution calling for a "fact-finding" legislative committee.

Sen. Anderson said he thinks a report by a special citizens committee has been "white-washed." The report was critical of the Penitentiary. Anderson said there should be a "house-cleaning" of top officials at the institution.

His resolution came on the heels of a report on the Penitentiary by Sanford Bates, internationally known penal expert from Trenton, N. J. Bates, brought here by the Board of Control, which supervises the State Penitentiary, gave a report with mingled praise and criticism.

Bates said the Penitentiary "hole" (or jail) should be rebuilt, the professional staff of the prison should be increased, and guard salaries should be raised to get better men. "The rank and file of officers have a dim idea as to what the whole purpose of a corrective institution is..." Bates reported.

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