

SOUTH ASHLAND

Mrs. Ivan Armstrong

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The Rocket Tractor 4-H club will meet Monday March 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Paul Kupke home.

Beverly Maack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maack, was taken to Bryan Memorial hospital Friday with a troublesome appendix. She is being treated there and it may not be necessary to operate.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Nelson were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Nelson in Lincoln and later attended a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Harris in Lincoln, when the Harris' were honored on their golden wedding anniversary.

Oliver Falck was a guest at the Farmers and Business Men's breakfast and dinner at the Pathfinder hotel in Fremont Tuesday. This was the second meeting of that group in Nebraska, which included four counties.

A total of 160 men attended. A tour of the industries of that city was held in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Kelllogg and family were guests at a

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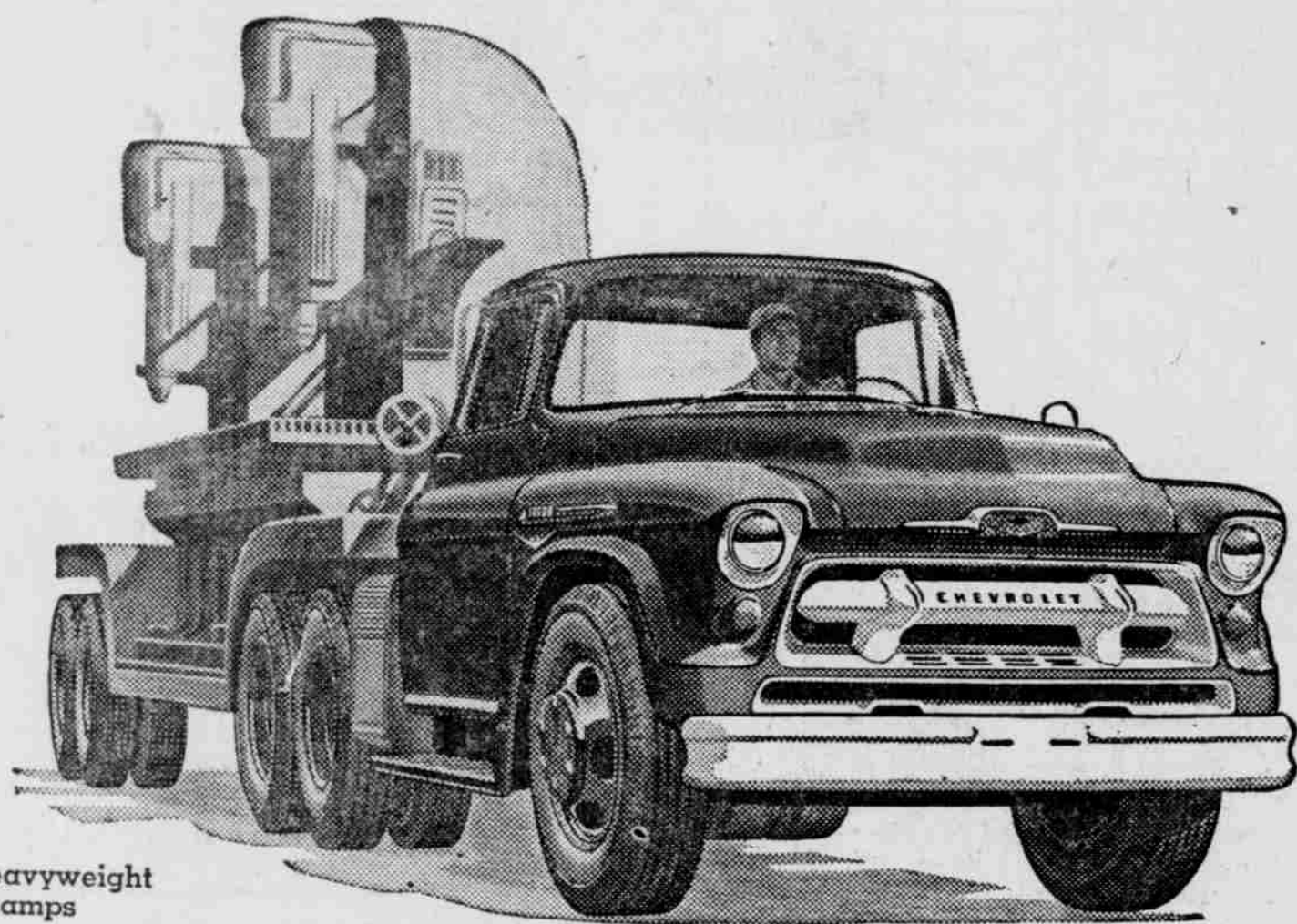
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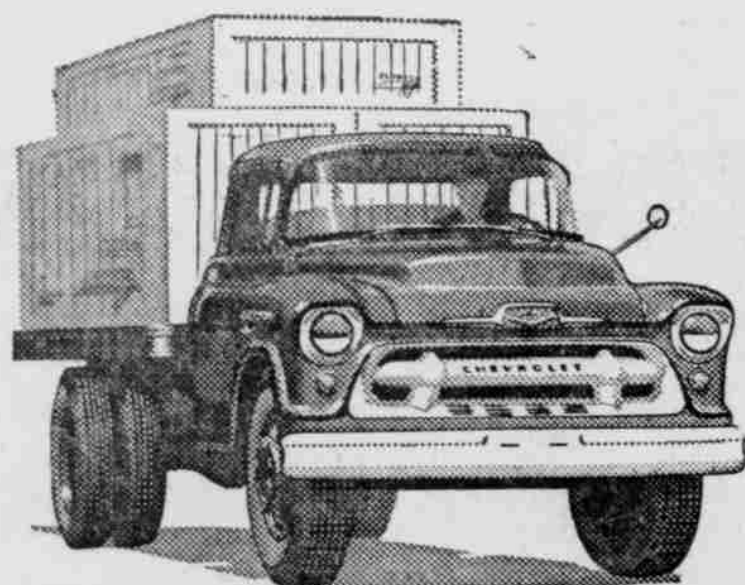
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FIRE WAS one way to get rid of the rubble which collected inside the bare walls of this building being torn down at the Nebraska Masonic Home at Plattsmouth. Razers have now removed the insides of the three buildings which long served the home, and all that remained standing last week were part of the walls and lots of rubble.—Journal Photo.

well party for Mrs. Stander's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Heng and sons. The Hengs will soon move to Kimball.

Mrs. Harold Strode was able to return to her home in Bellevue Sunday, although she is still very weak and must rest for sometime. Her little daughter, Carolyn, is home again. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Johnson of Ashland and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Johnson of Louisville called at the Strode home Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Panning, Kenneth and Linda, of Omaha were Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kliff and La Vern. Additional evening guests were Mr. and Mrs. Anton Fisser, Dale and Donald of Hallam.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wagner spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Wagner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bahm, north of Memphis.

Blackbirds Sing

Robins are usually considered harbingers of spring and folks begin looking for them early. But this year the blackbirds came before the robins, or so it was at the Ivan Armstrong farm, Sunday, Feb. 26, while the sun shone brightly and the thermometer rose to the high 50's, a flock of blackbirds were seen and heard singing merrily in the Armstrong farm yard.

Several men from this vicinity attended the Farmers and Merchants banquet at the Christian church dining room Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Roeber and sons, Herman Gakeimer and Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Yardly and family were Sunday dinner guests at the Wilbur Sutton home in Omaha. They were celebrating the birthdays of Nancy Sutton, who was two and Stevie Sutton, who was eight. Both

had birthdays on Saturday, Feb. 25.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Wotipka and family went to Ceresco Sunday to visit Mr. Wotipka's parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Wotipka. The elder Mr. Wotipka had just returned from two and a half weeks at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Long and family were in Weeping Water Saturday where they attended some demonstrations for farmers and their wives. There was also a model step-saving kitchen exhibited.

Junior Fairlanders

Junior Fairlanders extension club met Feb. 21, at the home of Mrs. Jerry Smith. The meeting opened with singing the song of the month, followed by the monthly devotion verse, the club collect and the creed read by the president.

Minutes of the January meeting were read and approved. All members were present to answer roll call. The treasurer's report was read. The president read a letter from the State department outlining the work for the year. It was voted to give \$2 to the diabetic camp fund, also to contribute for a wedding gift for Miss Pearl Schultz, Cass county home extension agent. It was voted to keep the present club name, Mrs. Delbert Humston and Mrs. Harold Kelllogg, lesson leaders, gave lesson part two on sewing new fabrics. They had samples of new threads and materials beneficial in sewing the new materials.

The hostess served lunch.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Moore visited Mr. Moore's sister, Mrs. Herman Roeber, and Mr. Roeber at their home near Louisville Monday evening. Mrs. Roeber had surgery at the Immanuel hospital in Omaha Tuesday morning. She is doing as well as can be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Laughlin an James spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Cortis Lemon, John and Larry.

Mrs. Willaim Backemeyer of Lincoln and her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. August Woitzel, of Gardner, N. D., were Sunday visitors at the Ashley Boller home. Another brother, Reinhardt Woitzel recently died at Gardner where he had lived several years. He will be remembered by the older South Ashland residents as having owned and lived on the farm now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ashley Boller.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jipp and daughters of Gretna spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Carl Parks.

Mrs. Orville Hightshoe visited with Mrs. Elmer Hall Monday afternoon. Saturday afternoon callers at the Hall home were Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hall and family all of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. George Schneider of Valley and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Johnson of Ashland.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Vincent of Lincoln spent the weekend with their daughter, Mrs. Helen Mueller, and children. Sunday they took moving pictures of the children and their pet Mexican burro.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Selker of Elmwood were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Stander.

Mrs. John Gustofson's callers last week were her niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Murphy and sons of Waverly; Fred Newsham of Waverly; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Coleman, Mrs. M. O. Wardrip, Mrs. Robert Bentley, Mrs. Arlow Wollen and Mrs. Carl Parks.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Richards spent all day Wednesday at the Geln Fosnot home in Lincoln. Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Richards served dinner to Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Ziegenbein and sons of Crete. Mr. and Mrs. Fosnot, Jim and Jennifer came for the afternoon and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lape entertained Mrs. Lape's sister and brother, Mrs. Agnes Ward and Bert Schmitz, of Papillion at dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Bornman and daughters and Miss Charlotte Mumm of Omaha were Sunday lunch and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Bornman.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Bachman and Mr. and Mrs. Geln Marolf were Sunday dinner guests of their mother, Mrs. L.J. Walratt.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Long and family had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Scholting at Gretna.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Felker and family drove to Mayetta, Kan. Saturday and spent the day with Mrs. Felker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Williamson.

Orville Sandy was a Wednesday evening visitor with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Nelson. Mr. and Mrs. John B. Peterson were Thursday evening visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Ivan E. Armstrong spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Dean in Memphis. Mrs. Mary Lou Ziegenbein and Randy and Duane Eckert of Lincoln were also guests there. The group was observing Mary Lou's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Leikam and Mrs. George Harris and daughters of Lincoln spent all day Wednesday at the Arthur Laughlin home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Moore and sons spent Friday evening at the Art Box home and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rueter.

Orville Sandy spent Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Richards. Monday evening the two men attended a banquet at Cotner Terrace sponsored by the Eagles Club.

Dean Mooney of Fremont called at the Ashley Boller home Monday afternoon.

WEEPING WATER

Mrs. Lewis Baker
Phone 182

M.A.O. Extension

Mrs. William Finley was hostess last Tuesday, Feb. 21 to the M. A. O. Extension club. Mrs. Finley, president, conducted a business meeting. Mrs. Ed Van Horn, music chairman, opened the afternoon by giving the history on the song, "Little Brown Church in the Vale," and told something about the author.

Nine members answered roll call by telling the newest fabric they have sewing on.

Mrs. Willis Lorenson, citizenship chairman, gave an article on the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Bernard Johnson, safety chairman, showed a chart she had made up, showing the many fires happening during the past three weeks and the many ways fires can start. She had each member draw an illustration of what first entered their mind when fire was mentioned.

The group voted to send \$2 to the diabetic fund. A collection was taken up for the "Pennys for Friendship Fund."

Mrs. Fred Saathoff and Mrs. Lewis Baker gave the second part of the lesson, "Sewing Old and New Fabrics." Mrs. Baker showed different steps taken in making a dress pattern before it is sold to the public. Mrs. Saathoff passed around different types of material and dress patterns, each member took a pattern they liked and picked a material which best suited it. An original valentine exchange was held. Mrs. Johnson won the prize for the most unusual and Mrs. Baker, the prize for the prettiest.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 20, with Mrs. Johnson. Mrs. Francis Thoren and Mrs. Clarence Schmadeke will give part one on the lesson, "Freezing Foods."

Patton Daughter

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Patton of Milford are the parents of a baby girl, Riecka Miller, born at the Seward hospital on Friday morning, Feb. 24. She weighed six pounds and four ounces at birth. Grandparents are Mrs. Phillip Miller of Weeping Water, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Patton of Maine.

Monday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cooper were Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Cooper and family and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Urwin. In the afternoon Floyd Ruby visited with them, then spent the evening with his mother, Mrs. E. M. Ruby.

Opportunity Extension club met at the home of Mrs. E. E. Lorenson Wednesday, Feb. 21. In the absence of the president, Mrs. Harold Blaikie, Mrs. Troy Jewell conducted a business meeting.

The leaders, Mrs. George Smith and Mrs. Lester Parson, brought a lesson concerning sewing new fabrics.

Mrs. S. H. Harmon presented the song of the month, "Old Folks at Home," by Stephen Foster, telling of its origin and history.

The reading committee asked for suggestions from members about books of interest they had read, and reported on "The Golden Journey" by Agnes Sligh Turnbull.

Mrs. Ray Norris and Mrs. Troy Jewell assisted in serving at the tea table. Mrs. Lemuel Lane was co-hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Cooper and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cooper. In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Norman Urwin, Miss Joan More, Marvin Costed, Miss Marilyn Phomy and Roland Snook, all of Lincoln, were callers.

Don Chestnut now County Farm Advisor

Donald Chestnut, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chestnut, of Billings, and a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Knaup, of Murdock, has accepted a position as assistant county farm advisor for McHenry county at Woodstock, Ill.

Mr. Chestnut received his bachelor of science degree in animal husbandry at midterms from Oklahoma A & M College, where he was a member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity, Block and Bridge and the Collegiate FFA club.

He will return to Oklahoma A & M this spring to receive his diploma during the regular commencement program.

BANKS

The nation has seventeen banks which have deposits of more than a billion dollars, or more. This is one less than the number of billion-dollar banks in 1955, although the total of deposits is almost \$3,000,000,000 greater than the eighteen held at the start of 1955. There were around 250 bank mergers in 1955, both large and small. And, in the previous four years, 594 commercial banks "disappeared" by merger or consolidation.

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