

EDITORIALS

Schweitzer Goes on at 82

Dr. Albert Schweitzer, at age eighty-two, has returned to the jungles of Africa after a three-month vacation in Europe. Although some of his friends suggested that he retire because of his advanced age, Dr. Schweitzer decided to return to Africa, where his work has won him world-wide fame.

Dr. Schweitzer operates a hospital at Lambarene, in French Equatorial Africa. With him on this return trip is a granddaughter, who is eighteen, and who will serve as a nurse in the hospital.

It will be remembered that Schweitzer abandoned a career as a promising musician, back in 1913, and went to Africa to serve as a medical missionary.

Frequently, in these lines we point out that a man is only as old as he feels. Obviously, Dr. Schweitzer is young at age eighty-two. One of the things which has kept him young, and which is the point of this editorial, is the fact that he has followed his conscience and applied himself to a labor of love.

More specifically, Dr. Schweitzer has the satisfaction of knowing he is contributing something to mankind to the uplifting of humanity, and to his fellow-men. With that satisfaction, and the spiritual enthusiasm which results, one manages to stay young. There is a lesson in the example for all those who care to learn it.

Delegating Ike's Powers

The idea is growing in Washington that President Eisenhower might be wise to delegate his powers to the Vice President, Richard Nixon, for a temporary period while he recuperates from his recent stroke. There is not much chance that the President will do this, although any number of physicians will admit that the President's mild stroke indicates that a long rest is advisable.

However, Mr. Eisenhower refuses to believe he cannot recuperate something along the line of Sir Winston Churchill, who suffered a major stroke in 1953 and recovered within six weeks. Churchill, however, was not faced with the historical crisis the United States now faces.

The President cannot rest at Gettysburg over the weekend and actually keep his finger on all the things which need to be watched, constantly, today. That is why sentiment is growing for a temporary delegation of powers to the Vice-President.

President Eisenhower has too many assistants and the exercise of authority at the White House is too confused. One columnist recently pointed out that the President had sixteen special assistants, a number of consultants and an endless number of secretaries and special secretaries, cabinet officers and departmental heads, and so on.

As we noted earlier, chances are that the President will not delegate his authority. Also, it seems that his recovery is well underway and that he will soon be completely recovered. Until that time, however, the President could obtain a complete rest by a temporary delegation of all authority. An increasing number of Washington officials, impressed with the urgency of the situation, are thinking along this line and will speak out in favor of such a course should the President not continue to recover or should he suffer any sort of setback.

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Farmers Can Get Gas Tax Refund of 6%

LINCOLN—Farmers can get a state tax refund of six cents a gallon on gas used for farm purposes if their invoices are filed within six months of the purchase date.

The present refund of six cents a gallon became effective Sept. 20, according to state law.

Up to that time, the refund had been five cents a gallon on gas used for farming operations.

Claims can be submitted at any time during the year. However, not more than four claims for state tax refund may be made in one year.

Refunds cannot be paid on invoices which are not filed within six months of the date of purchase and on unpaid gas.

In order to be eligible for the state refund farmers must have received a permit issued by the state. Application blanks for a

permit may be obtained through county agent or county clerk offices. A fee of \$1 must accompany each application.

Refund tax gasoline must be purchased from a licensed dealer and in lots of not less than 40 gallons. Gas must be placed in containers marked "Refund Tax Gasoline."

No refund will be given on gas used in any licensed vehicle or any other made to be licensed. The gas must be used in the farming operations.

Howard's Homespun

It is now time to start saving up for another Christmas.

Big words fool a lot of people but not as many as some think.

There are any number of people who are willing to borrow five dollars.

The salesman who knows when to sit and when to git is a good salesman.

People who are ailing all the time sometimes have too little to occupy their minds.

Promotion is good for business ventures so long as there is something backing it up.

The person who always has an emphatic and final opinion should not be taken seriously.

The best driver is the one who doesn't have wrecks even when the other fellow is wrong.

When have you done something specific for the children, or a particular child, in your community?

It is often easier to say something bad about a person than something good and that is the time to say nothing.

It is surprising how dumb people think you are when they sit down to talk you out of what little money you've earned the hard way.

Down Memory Lane

20 YEARS AGO

Residence on the farm occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Noell, west and south of Murray, was destroyed by fire. The fire started in the second story of the house and when discovered the house was all aflame. The fire was discovered late at night and it was with difficulty that the members of the family escaped from the burning building. Mr. and Mrs. Noell having a difficult time in getting into a bed room where their small child was sleeping and getting it to safety — A three-way accident occurred on the hill just south of the Rock Creek filling station east of Murray, in the dense fog that covered this part of Cass county. Attorney Tom Dunbar and Attorney Lloyd Peterson were coming north in a car enroute to Omaha to the state bar meeting and were passed by a stock truck driven by George Lutz of Tecumseh. When the truck passed, the car swung across the road at the same time a Lincoln Zephyr, driven by H. Slaughter of Des Moines, came over the hill and was on to the truck before they could see in the dense fog. The stock truck fell onto the car, but the roof of the car held, prevented the death of the car occupants. As the wreck stood a Watson Brothers truck came from the north and crashed into the half turned over stock truck, breaking it loose from the Slaughter car and permitted the rescue of the Slaughter family. Attorney Tom Dunbar had a close call while trying to aid the Slaughter family as he narrowly escaped being hit when the stock truck overturned. One leg of Mr. Dunbar's was injured. The Slaughter family suffered bruises and injuries. Attorney Lloyd Peterson ran some distance to the north and was able to stop further mix up by coming traffic, among which was a southbound Missouri Pacific bus — Mrs. T. B. Farmer entertained for her daughter, Ruth on her 11th birthday. Attending were Delores Ruse, Georgia Lester, Margaret and Marjiam Fricke, Catherine Kaffenberger, Mary Irene and Patty Libershal, Mary Catherine Gorder, Bonnie Walters, Donna Fae Mason, Jean Goodchild of Omaha. Mrs. Farmer was assisted by her daughter, Dorothy in entertaining.

30 YEARS AGO

The home of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Becker on high school hill was scene of a charming afternoon wedding when their daughter, Miss Verla, was married to Mr. John P. Sattler, Jr. The home was lovely in decorations of white carried out in profusion through the rooms. In the living room a floral altar had been arranged with white carnations and ferns being used to form the altar before which the young people pledged their vows. Rev. Harold E. Sortor, pastor of the First Methodist church officiating. Mrs. Hilt Martin and Miss Catherine Schneider played the musical setting for the ceremony. The young people were attended by Mrs. William H. Schmidtman, sister of the bride as matron of honor and Harley Becker, brother of the bride as groomsmen.

Ticklers

By George



WEEPING WATER NEWS

Mrs. Edward Van Horn — Phone 252-W

Mrs. Ross Kinton was hostess at a card Club Thursday afternoon at her home. This is the regular Christmas Party and gift exchange. Mrs. Vern Harter won high prize and Mrs. Carl Reitor low prize.

A Christmas party was enjoyed by the No Name Club at the home of Mrs. Ralph Keekler on Wednesday afternoon.

The Opportunity Extension Club held their annual covered dish luncheon and Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Lawrence Wiseman. Nineteen members were present and one guest, Mrs. Fred Koester of Idaho. Mrs. present and one guest, Mrs. Ray Norris was assistant hostess. Mrs. Wiseman's home was beautifully decorated for the occasion. After the delicious dinner, the business meeting was held.

Mrs. S. H. Harmon and Mrs. Frank Cook is in charge of the Christmas program. Mrs. Herbert Peterson conducted the ladies to see her rooms of lovely antique furniture.

The Weeping Water School closed Friday afternoon with each room having a Christmas party and gift exchange. School will reopen on Thursday, January 2.

A special meeting was called by the Civil Air Patrol Monday evening so plans could be made for the Christmas activities Dec. 21. Vern Starr, Neil Munkres and Chester Hooper represented the Chamber of Commerce; Wayne Pederson, commander of the American Legion Post 237, represented the Legion and the Civil Air Patrol members were present. Captain Iske, Commander of the Weeping Water Squadron, will use his Piper Plane to fly Santa and his helpers in. Buses will take the children to the airport. Legionnaires will supervise the children.

Used toys brought by the children will later be turned over to the Marine Corps for repairs and distribution by the Good Fellows. The American Legion and the Weeping Water Chamber of Commerce will assist the Civil Air Patrol. The Weeping Water school band will also be on hand to greet Santa. Santa will then lead the parade back to town and from there the children will enjoy the free movie at the theater. Candy canes will be given the children at the airport, by the Civil Air Patrol. The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring the free movie and the treats after the show.

The Cascade Charity Club held its annual Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. Hy Kirchoff. A short business meeting was conducted by the president, Mrs. Ralph Lindsey. Secret pals were revealed and a gift exchange was held. The next meeting will be January 29 at the home of Mrs. Harry Jacobson.

Mrs. William Erhart visited her father John Kund at the St. Joseph hospital in Omaha on Thursday. He was allowed to come home on Sunday. Mrs. Erhart also visited Mrs. Nancy Shaver while she was at the hospital.

The American Legion, Post 237, gave boxes of fruit to the shut-ins of the Rest Haven and Hill Top Homes and to the shut-ins in Weeping Water, Wayne Pederson, commander, was in charge of the gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Barkhurst were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barkhurst. They were Staturday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Graham.

Mrs. Adam Cook accompanied Bert Philpot to Plattsmouth Sunday where she spent the afternoon with her sister, Mrs. Cynthia Dawson. Mr. Philpot went to Omaha where he went to see his brother, DeForest Philpot who is a patient at the

Clarkson Hospital. Mrs. Cook and Mr. Philpot were lunch guests in the evening of Mrs. Dawson.

Mrs. Charlotte Prince and John Bowencamp of Omaha and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cook and Josephine of near Shenandoah, I., were pre-Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cook and family. Mrs. Cook and children spent the day and night with her father, John Bowencamp, in Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Eidemiller and two boys were Tuesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cooper. Wednesday supper guests at the Cooper home were Mr. and Mrs. Norman Urwin.

Funeral services were held on Friday for Charles Gilmore 87, who was residing at the I.O.O.F. Home at York. Services were held at York with burial in Lincoln. Mr. Gilmore had spent all his life in this vicinity until 15 years ago when he moved to Lincoln. He is survived by his wife Orpha Timblin Gilmore, 4 daughters and one son, a sister, Mrs. Edna Mattox of Broken Bow. The late Mrs. Edith Akeson was a sister of Mr. Gilmore.

Mrs. Sylvia Gilmore attended church services at the Methodist Church in Weeping Water on Sunday.

Guy Murdoch is now able to be up on crutches at the St. Mary's hospital in Nebraska City. He will have to undergo surgery two more times. His son-in-law, Leonard Thorne, is also a patient at the hospital. He has pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Nordlund of Two Harbors, Minnesota are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E. Thomas Stacey and family. Connie Schmidt of Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Burgen of Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pointer of Avoca, Wallace Ludwick and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stratton. The dinner was held at the home of Miss Curmes' mother, Mrs. Charles Amick. The group presented the honored guests with a piece of luggage. Tuesday evening Miss Stacey was honored at a surprise shower by the girls from the Nebraska Sales Book in Lincoln where she works.

Ronald Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Taylor, has arrived in Japan where he will be stationed for some time. Richard Nickels, son of Mrs. Edward Van Horn, arrived in Germany on December 17 and writes that it is a beautiful country but there is no place like home.

David Mullin is spending the holidays at the home of his parents in Albion.

Mrs. Clarence Norris has been staying several nights with Mrs. DeForest Philpot at the Clarkson hospital in Omaha. Mrs. Philpot stays at the hospital to be near her husband. Mrs. Philpot isn't too well, as she had high blood pressure.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Christensen after the game Friday night were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Potts, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Blockford, and Jack Strudthoff of Omaha. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Joyce of Lincoln spent the weekend at the Christensen home.

A school program was presented Dec. 19 in the auditorium by the seventh and eighth grade classes and the High School. Favorite hymns, Christmas carols from many lands were sung by the seventh and eighth grade combined chorus, and boys glee club.

A Play "A Christmas Carol", was presented by several members of the seventh and eighth grades. Richard Elliott played the part of Ebenezer Scrooge and Beverly Lee was the narrator between scenes.

Other cast members: Lee Roy Starr, Clark Steckley, Tom Domingo, Lani Beach, John Meeske, Janice Domingo, John Harter, Beverly Philpot, Linda Larter, Alice Lauritzen, Kenneth Domingo, Ann Callahan, Margie Nichols, Reggie Bickford, Wayne Detmer, Glenn Fornoff, Janice Holt and Carolyn Thomas.

Following the play, four carols were sung by the audience with David Mullin, music director, leading. Accompanists for the singing by the students were Susan Wood, Phyllis Krogh and Maribelle Elliott. Assisting Mr. Mullin were Miss Maude Baldwin, and Mr. and Mrs. Truman Lytle Detmer, and Mrs. Florence Paad.

Mrs. Victor Schwarz, Ronnie Bond and Mrs. Charles Freeman on Jan. 2. The general meeting will be held on January 16.

The Cub Scouts, leaders and the parents held their annual Christmas party on Wednesday evening in the American Legion Hall. Two new members were taken into the pack: Eric Aronson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Aronson and Terry Doyle, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Doyle.

The cubs and the den mothers gave cookies to each person at the two rest homes in Weeping Water. There are 48 in the two homes. An exchange of gifts was held with Santa Claus present to give candy and gifts.

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Mr. and Mrs. Weaver Reckard are the parents of a daughter, Holly Jean Elizabeth, born on December 1 in England. She weighed six pounds and eight and one-half ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Reckard of Weeping Water. Holly was born on the day after her father was promoted to Master Sergeant.

Mrs. Ella Coatman of Elmwood was a Sunday and Monday guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Livingston.

Shirley Upton was a Wednesday overnight guest of Carol Nickels.

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Mrs. Lynn Rothe and Mrs. Rutledge was in charge of two games with Mrs. Boyd and Mrs. Saathoff winning.

Mrs. Finley served cookies and coffee with the ladies seated around the table with a social time following. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Lewis Baker with Mrs. Finley presenting the lesson.

Twenty members attended the quarterly birthday luncheon at the Christian Church Dec. 19. The junior group was in charge. The tables were decorated by Mrs. Lynn Rothe and Mrs. Maurice Hammons, and were in keeping with the holiday season. Seated at the birthday table were Mrs. Stanley Schroeder, Mrs. Mable Breckenridge and Mrs. Ed Freeman. A birthday cake decorated with red and green icing was baked by Mrs. Ralph Hyde and another birthday cake was made by Mrs. Edward Van Horn.

The business meeting was conducted by te president, Mrs. Howard Van Horn. Mrs. Buster Shrader was a guest. Mrs. Hammons led the group in a prayer followed by the CWP prayer in unison. Group reports were given by Mrs. Hyde and Mrs. Freeman. Roll call was answered by telling one sentence about the birth of Jesus.

Mrs. S. H. Harmon conducted the worship with group singing of Christmas Carols with Mrs. Henry Knapf as accompanist at the piano. Mrs. Eanos Plunkett read the scripture. Mrs. Harmon used as her topic, "We Give Ourselves". Mrs. Leon Bond conducted the lesson using the same subject topic. She was assisted in a playlet by Mrs. Buster Baxter, and Mrs. Hammons. Following the play a discussion was led pertaining to Christmas and the birth of Christ.

Boxes of Fruit, candy and cookies were prepared by the service chairmen Mrs. Charles Freeman and Mrs. Bond. Twelve boxes were taken to shut-ins in this vicinity. The meeting closed with prayer. The next meetings will be at the home of Mrs. Bond on Jan. 2. The general meeting will be held on January 16.

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Mrs. Neil Fitzpatrick and children visited Tuesday with Mrs. Lynn Parson and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Hessel, John and June, Mrs. Bernard Hessel, and Mark Hessel of Grand Island and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Van Horn and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Van Horn.

Miss Susan Hobson arrived home on Saturday and will spend two weeks at home with her mother, Mrs. R. P. Hobson. Susan attends school at Pamona College in California.

Mrs. Don Kerans visited Monday with Mrs. Stanley Schroeder and Clifford.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlon Stock and Sharon and Jack Miller were in Lincoln on Monday evening.

Mrs. Kenneth Stratton who is the teacher at Dutch Academy County school had a program Thursday evening.

Mrs. Donald Rich and two children visited Tuesday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Rookstool.

Mr. and Mrs. Omer Clark of Houston, Tex., are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Perry Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Wiles.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Christensen attended the Christmas dinner party of Alpha Chi Omega sorority of the University of Nebraska. It was held at the sorority house in Lincoln Sunday evening. Miss Barbara Christensen, their daughter is a member of the sorority.

Nancy Ehlers of Avoca spent the week-end with her grandmother, Mrs. L. F. Ehlers.

Pre-Christmas dinner guests on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Dennis and family of Bellevue were Mr. and Mrs. William Finley, Barbara and Beverly, Mr. and Mrs. Miller Christensen and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Finley of Elmwood.

Roger Dennis came home on leave Sunday afternoon and will spend the Christmas holidays at home.

The Retired Farm Ladies Club held their Christmas meeting Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Gordon Heneger and Mrs. Lawrence Eidemiller. A gift exchange was held and served by the hostess.

Mrs. S. H. Harmon held her annual Christmas parties for her pupils this past week. The first party was held on Monday evening with the Senior Group. The program consisted of piano solos and duets and a vocal number. Mrs. Harmon gave each pupil a new number for the spring recital. After the musical program, the rest of the evening was spent in playing recordings and watching television. The second party was held on Friday evening for the Junior Group. This party consisted of piano, solos and duets and several vocal numbers. Each of these pupils were also presented with a number.

The group sang carols and played games. A lovely lunch was served by Mr. and Mrs. Harmon.

The First Lutheran Church members went caroling on Sunday evening. They divided into two groups and visited 24 homes, mostly in the country.

Leo Kirchoff arrived home Friday from Dana College at Blair and will spend the holidays at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hy Kirchoff.

Several men came to the Howard Rasmussen home on Sunday where they moved a garage to their home across the road. Mrs. Rasmussen served coffee and rolls in the morning and afternoon.

