

### 'Wonderful Switzerland' Is Joy To Nebraskans On Tour

(Editor's Note: Here is another article written by Ada McVicker, Nebraska Press Association reporter who is touring Europe with her husband and aunt. In this she tells about "wonderful Switzerland" in her covering letter to the NPA office, Ada said... this Switzerland is kinda like you died and went to Heaven.")

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There is an unreal, dream-like quality in Switzerland, particularly when one arrives fresh from the huge panorama of the

World's Fair. We were also still vividly remembering the rich treasures of Paris' wonderful Louvre, the elaborate and lavish scenes at the palaces and gardens of Versailles and the brassy, eye-filling show at the enormous Lido night club.

We left Paris on the smooth-riding electric train and settled down for a relaxing ride through rural France and into Switzerland. Peaceful farms and small villages were a welcome sight to folks with our agricultural background.

Mistresses hung out of the second story windows to catch the morning air and sun. Doorsteps were being swept with rough brooms made of a bundle of switches lashed to a handle.

Our first real view of the mountains came as we went through Lasanne. Then on we glided to our destination—Montreux, surrounded by mountains and overlooking Lake Geneva. This body of clear blue water is 50 miles long, about 4 wide and 300 feet deep in places. Our hotel overlooked the lake with an esplanade along the water and gardens in between full of blooming plants.

Up the road a bit was the castle of Chillon, part of it 800 years old, all of it fascinating. Many of its rooms were furnished. A collection of old pewter to marvel at and furniture, fireplaces, and arms and armor of long ago were viewed with due respect.

Then came a ride around the lake with a stop for luncheon at Geneva—center of wickedness in Calvin's time, now famed for its impressive United Nations Center and its world headquarters for the Red Cross.

In the evening we were introduced to a national dish—cheese fondue, connected of Swiss cheese and wines, it bubbled over a spirit lamp as the lucky diners dipped pieces of crusty bread into the bowl and out again. Traditionally, a girl or boy who drops bread from fork must pay with a kiss. In a crowd, it's said to far surpass our game of post office.

We left Montreux regretfully but we need not have, for what

lay ahead was even more rewarding. Our train glided through the spectacular Alps, climbing higher and higher. The houses looked more and more like the cookie variety we make for Christmas centerpieces. It seemed the door would pop open and a gingerbread boy race down the path at any moment.

Our arrival and departure were announced at each stop by the deep-toned chime on the engine. No clangs on this road. But the whistle made a funny little "sweet" like the ones that used to come in little boys' sailor suit pockets.

Around the stations were story-book people—the women and little girls all wearing aprons over their plain dresses and heavy shoes and stockings. The children looked like Hummel figures—just as rosy and round and complacent.

One touch of realism was the electric control panel visible in each station, its lights and gadgets and signals determining what happened on the rails. These trains ran on time. No nonsense about late trains. The ties were metal not wood, the resulting roadbed mighty smooth. Travel posters decorated the stations outside, all neatly framed.

Ceraniums spilled out of every other window in gay reds and pinks. We saw more and more houses with mottoes painted across the front as we went deeper inland. The cows at the little farms were all "blondes" and many wore beautiful brass bells the size to call children in for school at home. The tones were soft and melodious. Occasionally we saw a bullock cart, and now and then a horse and plow. A sleigh was ready for winter at one house.

The watchword in Switzerland is "order." Instead of saying "okay" or "that's fine," they say "that will be quite in order." If there is a weed in the whole country we haven't seen it. The grass on lawns and pastures is evidently trained to grow only a certain height for there is an even, deep green carpet over everything, studded with stretches of beautiful forests with majestic peaks above. Power poles stride up many hills. The waterfalls and rushing streams take care of that.

We had a view of the Jungfrau, towering over Interlaken, completely veiled in sparkling snow. We took a cable car and aerial cable lift trip over a mile shakily down upon the valley below where a toy village lay and dizzily up to peaks covered with snow and ice. These aerial cable cars are the only way many villagers can get home. Going up we wished we'd a better life. Coming down we turned over new leaves so fast you could surely hear a swishing sound.

All these things were good. But the best thing we found was a typical young Swiss. Our driver, Hans, was very distant and proper when we started. But soon we found out he wanted to be an airline pilot and then we asked him about all the foreign

## KEEP IN TOUCH

Mrs. Anna Hardcock of Aivo spent Tuesday here with a cousin, Mrs. Frank Cloidt.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hill Jr. of Louisville were in Plattsburgh Wednesday on business and to shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hamilton returned home from Paxton where they went deer hunting and bagged two 4-point deer.

Mrs. Theodore Ptak arrived home Monday morning from Burbank, Calif., where she had been visiting in the home of her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dean French and son, Mrs. Ptak also visited with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Valley at Costa Mesa, and with other relatives and friends.

Al Smock entered the Veterans Hospital in Omaha Monday for a check-up and will remain for observation and treatment.

The Journal received a want ad Wednesday for a lost wedding band from a very much distressed lady. This morning the tension was lessened when the newspaper was called and informed the ring had been found in some raw hamburger and was returned to the owner.

Jerry Konfrst is under observation at the Veterans hospital in Omaha. He is on 6th floor, east wing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Smock of this city will hold open house at the Eagles Hall Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. in observance of their 50th wedding anniversary. The couple was married Nov. 7, 1908.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Smock of Huntington Beach, Calif., arrived here Tuesday night for the Golden Wedding celebration of his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Smock of this city. Mrs. Ernest Goring of Redlands, Calif., arrived Monday morning at the Smock home.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cole are home from Nebraska City where they were with their son, Francis, at St. Mary's Hospital. The son is getting along as well as can be expected.

Jim Morris of Murray is one of 50 students honored Nov. 5 at Monmouth College, Monmouth, Ill., with Entrance Awards. These students ranked in the upper tenth of their high school graduating class. Jim was one of Plattsburgh High's two salutatorians of the Class of 1938.

C. E. Metzger of Cedar Creek, member of the State Highway Commission, was in the city on Wednesday to look after some matters at the Courthouse and to visit friends.

Ralph Timm of this city who is at St. Catherine's hospital in Omaha is expected to be home the coming week. He had been planning to be home this week but it was found necessary to have additional surgery that will delay his return.

### Obituary of George Yearsley

AVOCA (Special) — George Dewey Yearsley 60, well known farmer near Dunbar, died in his farmyard about 6 p.m. Monday from a heart attack.

Born Jan. 24, 1898, at Stockville, he was the son of Cortland J. and Alverda Groves Yearsley for many years residents of Minersville area of Otoe county. He attended school in that area and then took up farming as a livelihood.

He married Theresa Marie Wirth in Nebraska City and to them were born three sons, Arnold, Earl, Kenneth and a daughter Barbara.

Also surviving are four granddaughters; brothers and sisters, Frank, North Platte, Laurence, Douglas, Mrs. A. M. Stephenson, Mrs. James Bush, Mrs. Sidney Bourler, all of Nebraska City; Mrs. Kenneth Linder, Holdrege; Mrs. Lee Armstrong, Wichita, Kans.

Funeral services were Thursday at Methodist Church, Nebraska City, with Rev. A. L. Wright, Lincoln, and Rev. Dale Westadt, Nebraska City officiating. Burial was at Wyuka, Nebraska City. Lett Funeral Home in charge.

Mr. Yearsley was a member of the Methodist church and a member of the Palmyra Masonic lodge.

A Classified Ad in The Journal cost as little as 50 cents.

### Funeral Of Troy Lee Davis Held At Weeping Water

WEeping WATER (Special) — Troy Lee Davis was born Nov. 15, 1901, at Weeping Water, to Frederick Tice Davis and Wilma Davis.

He spent his early childhood with his family at Weeping Water. He moved with his family to Ravenna in 1910 and remained there until the passing of his father in 1914. He lived with friends and relatives until early manhood. He then volunteered for the armed service and spent most of the time in Hawaii.

He was married to Mary Waterbury July 27, 1945, at Olathe, Kan. His wife preceded him in death. She died in November, 1954.

After the passing of his wife and a short illness in Kansas City, Troy decided to make his home in Weeping Water at the Rest Home so he could have medical care and be nearer his family.

He made many friends during his short stay in Weeping Water and enjoyed renewing acquaintances of his boyhood. He was stricken with a paralytic stroke Oct. 24 and died Nov. 2. He was preceded in death by four sisters and a brother.

He is survived by his aged mother, Mrs. Wilma Morse of Great Falls, Mont.; three sisters, Mrs. Nellie Annable of Alliance; Mrs. Marie McMahon, Alliance; Mrs. Irene Albert of Louisville; half-brother LeRoy Morse of Denver and nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at Hobson Funeral Home Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 4 with the Rev. C. F. Weideman of the Methodist Church officiating. Victor Wallick sang accompanied by Maude Moulton.

Pallbearers were Eanos Plunkett, Howard Colbert, Wilbur Hubbell, Fritz Peteret, Charles Ducker and Lyle Fleming. Burial was at the Oakwood Cemetery in Weeping Water with the Hobson Funeral Home in charge.

A good liming program starts with a soil test. agronomists at the University of Nebraska report. This will tell how much lime is needed to correct acidity. Too little lime won't accomplish he desired results. Too much may lock up needed trace elements such as boron and manganese and cut down the availability of other nutrients.

### Funeral Of Mrs. Amelia Duensing Held Wednesday

Rev. G. E. Seybold, pastor of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed church of this city, was at Nebraska City Wednesday assisting in funeral services for Mrs. Amelia C. Duensing, wife of Rev. George Duensing, long pastor of Bethel Evangelical and Reformed church at Nebraska City.

Mrs. Duensing died Sunday at the Methodist hospital in Omaha. Rev. and Mrs. Duensing have made their home at Yutan, Neb., since his retirement from Bethel church.

Burial was at Wyuka cemetery at Nebraska City.

Farmers today can produce four times as much corn for every hour of work as their grandfathers could grow 50 years ago, economists report.

### Funeral Of James W. Matney Held Here Wednesday

The last rites for James W. Matney, resident here for the past 15 years, were held Wednesday at 2 o'clock at the chapel of the Caldwell-Linder Funeral Home.

The services were attended by many of the old time friends of this highly esteemed resident. Rev. A. L. Embree, pastor of the First Methodist Church conducted the service. Mrs. Twila Hodge was organist.

Burial was at Oak Hill Cemetery with Euno Ahrens, Sam Bowen, Richard Carr, Fritz Kaffenberger, Junior Kaffenberger and Earl Larson serving as pallbearers.

Irrigation turbine pumps and power units should have winter protection for increased length of life and continued top performance.

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**Election Watch Is Long One**  
County clerk Charles Land had the longest watch in the world Tuesday night, the weary waiting for the final voting precinct to come in.

Land had several persons for company up till 3 or 4 a.m. then only one until 6 a.m. and finally had to stick it out alone.

But, the last precinct, Plattsburgh 2nd Ward, 1st, didn't finish counting ballots and deliver its records and supplies to the clerk's office until 12 noon Wednesday.

A heavy vote in the precinct, adding to the complication all the counting boards had of wading through the four amendment and special proposition ballots, caused the delay.

It wasn't the latest return on record here, however, by far. The clerk's office recalls that once a precinct processed votes until Thursday night following Tuesday's election.

**Large Balloon Found Near WW**  
WEeping WATER (Special) — Earl Murdoch found a very large balloon in his cornfield last week. A card and small light bulb was attached to the balloon. The sender wanted to know the town and state of the finder so Mrs. Murdoch wrote to the address on the card but at this writing had received no reply.

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