

# EDITORIALS

## Vanguard and Weather

It is difficult for us to realize how a tiny satellite, such as the Vanguard which was recently successfully fired at Cape Canaveral, can tell us much about the weather. However, the presently orbiting Vanguard will give weather scientists valuable information.

Inside the twenty-inch satellite are two photo-cells, which will scan the earth's surface and spot cloud formations. These photo-cells distinguish between cloudy and clear areas on the earth in daylight, also reflect sea and land masses, and records them as electrical impulses.

These are stored on a tape-recorder within the satellite and transmitted to ground radio stations which receive the data. Since the satellite is spinning, it was necessary to equip it with two transmitters, so that one would always be receivable.

The launching was so timed that the satellite will always be in sunlit areas when it is at its lowest point — or perigee — of its orbit. This is slightly more than three hundred miles out from earth.

The extent of cloud cover over the earth, where it is, and how extensive it is in various localities, is valuable information. Heretofore we have been finding out about clouds from below them, and now the satellite will allow us to find out about them from above. Just how much valuable information obtained from above clouds constitutes is not now known. But when one considers the fact that the top of the layer of weather is not an even layer of gases but a series of valleys and mountains, with clouds and currents running down into valleys from the higher "mountains of air" one can realize to some extent, the value of observation from above.

In summary, it is too early to say that the Vanguard now circling the globe will provide a wealth of usable information, but it is certainly the first step in tracking the weather from above as well as below.

The fund has been exhausted, 85 per cent of the anticipated levy spent and until funds are available no warrants will be written on the general fund. The poor relief fund is also overdrawn and claims are paid as available. The general fund in the past has been used to aid the poor relief fund and is cause of the financial situation — The Missouri river at this point has opened up as the result of warming weather releasing the ice and starting the flow of the dammed up water and caused some overflow on the bottom land east of the city. The Platte river also is running at flood stage and helping in the overflow of the lowlands. With the river now open the overflow is expected to soon run off — Fire Chief Dr. O. Sandin was honored by the department on the occasion of his fifty-sixth birthday and the twenty-sixth anniversary of his service in the fire department. He was enrolled as a fireman in 1913 and since 1917 has served as chief of the department — Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Stoehr are happy over the arrival of a son at the St. Joseph hospital at Omaha — The Social Worker's Flower club observed their 25th anniversary at the Mynard community hall. The club was organized by Mrs. W. A. Taylor and the first meeting held at her home. Silver and white decorations were used in the hall. Five young ladies, Mary Ann Lepert, Velma Shradler, Mary Ellen Kaufman, Edith Vandervoort and Alyce Sharpnaek served in the dining room. Messages of greeting were received from Mrs. Grace Wiles Hall and Elizabeth Hall, of Grant, Neb., Mrs. Nelle Taylor Furlong, Steamboat Springs, Colo., Mrs. Emily Troop, Kearney, and Mrs. William Daily of Omaha. Mrs. George Mumm gave a history of the club.

**30 YEARS AGO**  
Plattsmouth lodge No. 739 of the Elks held their election of officers, naming Dr. R. P. Westover as exalted ruler; Hilt Martin, leading knight; John A. Griffin, Loyal knight; Ralph Petring, lecturing knight; James W. Holmes, secretary; Sidney W. Bell, treasurer; Charles K. Bestor, tyler; William J. Straight, trustee — William H. Shopp, well known world war veteran, was at the Fitzsimmons Veterans hospital at Denver receiving treatment for lung trouble from which he has suffered several months — Miss Grace Lindner and Clair Ferris were married at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Reinack near Murray. Rev. J. C. Stewart of the Murray Presbyterian church read the marriage lines for the young people. The young people are to make their home on a farm southwest of Murray.

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## Down Memory Lane

**20 YEARS AGO**  
Cass county officials are facing a payless pay day as well as others having claims against the general fund of the Cass county treasury as flow of cash to be credited to this fund has not been flowing in.

## Capitol News

By Melvin Paul  
Statehouse Correspondent

**The Nebraska Press Association LINCOLN** — A lot of attention will be given to state employees in this session of the Legislature. There are numerous proposals affecting pay scales of employees, including many judges.

Also in the legislative hopper are measures on pension plans. There are about 30 bills awaiting legislative action affecting salaries of state employees. More than a dozen bills involve retirement proposals.

The number of salary bills appears large but actually is not much bigger than in previous sessions in recent years. The cost of living is one of the factors that influence the number of proposals on pay checks.

Until recent years, pay of state employees, especially those in the statehouse, was unusually low. Standard now for most executive department heads, with some exceptions, is \$8,000 per year. The previous figure was \$6,500.

It has been the policy of the Legislature in past years not to look at salary hikes in a block but separately. This probably is more design than accident since scrutiny of pay proposals in one package could result in lower salaries possibly, and in some cases, no raise at all.

So such bills have been scattered through debate, although unsuccessful attempts have been made to study them all at once and thus get a better picture. One practice, however, has been stopped by the Legislature — paying of department heads from more than one fund.

This method developed as a means of boosting pay of department heads in order to keep the appointed ones on the job and to stave off attempts of private industry to pick them off.

When the lawmakers decided state executives should be paid from one fund, the result was a higher level of salaries.

**Brooks Statement**  
Gov. Ralph G. Brooks made a statement in Washington after the Legislature abandoned the recount of the governor's race that caused a fuss.

Asked for comment on the recent matter, Brooks said: "Now I am master of all I survey in the great state of Nebraska."

At a news conference, the new Democratic governor said he intended the remark to be humorous but from the amount of correspondence he got that impression apparently had not been conveyed by the news stories.

**Donner Resignation**  
Sen. John Donner of Elgin, who submitted a letter of resignation to Gov. Ralph G. Brooks, changed his mind and reported back to duty in the Legislature.

Donner wrote the letter after being miffed about the Agriculture Committee reporting to the floor a bill on brand area changes.

However, he sent the letter to the wrong place. It should have gone to the presiding officer of the Legislature.

After word of Donner's intentions got out, the lawmakers gave him a vote of confidence, to which Donner was the only dissenter with the comment that the senators had more important matters on their minds.

**Committee Hearings**  
Several bills were re-scheduled for public hearing before legislative committees this week. The reason: Nebraska's March snowstorm which cut to a handful the number of persons who appeared when the measures were heard.

Another was a measure to give farmers permission to shoot fireworks in their fields to scare away song and game birds making a meal out of their crops.

Commented Frank Foote of the Game Commission: Farmers don't have time to stand in their fields and shoot off a shotgun every five to 10 minutes to scare away the birds.

Said Howard Elm representing the Nebraska Grain and Feed Dealers Association and Nebraska Fertilizer Institute: "The bill in its original form was 'unworkable and vicious.'"

**Veterinarian**  
Dr. O. H. Person of Wahoo has resigned as State Veterinarian and Dr. F. Ziegenbein of Nebraska City, replaced him.

Person quit after the office of Gov. Ralph G. Brooks indicated he would be replaced. Ziegenbein, on duty this week, has been a member of the Nebraska City council. Person is a former state senator who had only recently taken the post of state veterinarian. This department is technically under the State Agriculture Department and looks after the health of livestock in Nebraska.

**Bill Introduced**  
A bill was introduced in the Legislature by its revenue committee concerning lists of stockholders. The bill is designed to block anyone from getting information from the state tax commissioner regarding ownership of stock in foreign corporations.

These groups are asked by the tax commissioner's office to furnish a list of their Nebraska stockholders for tax purposes. There is no law to force them to do this, but most comply.

The bill states such information in the future would be for the use of the tax commissioner only or his agents. As the law now stands someone could demand the list of companies who reported stockholders and see if a certain firm had reported.

If the person owned stock and



"I just hocked practically everything to pay my income tax."

## LOUISVILLE NEWS

Mrs. Ralph Wildrick — Phone 2511

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mather are parents of a daughter born on March 7 at St. Mary's hospital in Nebraska City. She has been named Cindy Jo and weighed seven pounds, 15 ounces. Mrs. Mather was Alyce Jane Proctor of Omaha. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Mather, Chester Proctor of Louisville and Mrs. Evalina Hein of Omaha. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arch Baker of Louisville.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wagner and sons of Ashland were Sunday afternoon and evening guests at the Jack Ward home. Afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Renner of Weeping Water and Mrs. Floyd Renner of Louisville.

Callers at the Elwin Isaac home in Manley were Mr. and Mrs. Jim Sheehan and Cindy. Manley School was closed on Thursday and Friday because of the snowstorm.

Visitors at the home of Mrs. Dave Zierns and family Saturday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. Gladden of Omaha. Mrs. Gladden is a sister of Mrs. Zierns.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Urwin, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Barnes and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Heard were Sunday evening supper guests of the ladies' mother and brother, Mrs. John Meisinger and Floyd in South Bend. The occasion was the birthday of Mrs. Meisinger. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. James Dwyer of Glenwood, Iowa, and Mr. and Mrs. Milford Meisinger and family of South Bend.

Mrs. Bob Dolan and Mrs. Darrell Reed were caught in the recent snowstorm and stayed at the Francis Ritter home in Pappilon.

Sunday evening guests at the Joe Habel home were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wildrick and Mrs. Laura Holder and family.

Katherine Rebbe, home ec teacher at the Louisville High School, attended the Nebraska Home Economics Council Board meeting Saturday in Omaha.

Fred Myers Jr. entered Clarkson hospital in Omaha Monday and underwent surgery for an old ailment in his hip Tuesday. He is coming along fine but will be unable to work for six months and will probably have to wear a cast for at least six weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Heil who have been visiting their son Gordon Heil and wife in Washington for six weeks returned home last week. They said they never encountered any bad weather until they came home.

Mrs. Robert Sell entered the Methodist Hospital Thursday for observation and returned home Tuesday.

Carol and Geraldine Beck, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Beck, had a bout with measles. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brown attended the basketball tournament in Lincoln Saturday evening. After the game they visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Robertson and family in Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Beck were Sunday dinner guests at the Edward Greil home.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Robbins visited Mrs. Robert Sell at the Methodist Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Brunson and Mrs. Brunson's sister, Mrs. Emma Zimmerman of Lincoln are back from a two week tour of Florida. They stopped over a day at Macon, Mo., because of storm warnings and waited for roads to become passable. In Florida, they visited Ensign Rogers Edson and wife and daughter at Pensacola and called on Mr. and Mrs. Les Blair in Homestead.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Counts and family were Friday evening

callers at the Howard Dobbs home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Myers called on Fred Myers Jr. at Clarkson Hospital.

Cy and Susie Rauth were Saturday overnight and Sunday guests at the Charles Sluyter home in Manley.

Dinner guests at the Edward Stander home near Murdock were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stander and daughters of Weeping Water, Mr. and Mrs. Gerlad Stander and family of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Stander and family, and Dick and Clifford Stander and Miss Suzanne Slattery of Weeping Water. The occasion was the birthday of Mrs. Edward Stander.

Bob Naw of Malmo and Miss Lois Ann Hauschild of Lincoln were Sunday visitors at the Irvin Hauschild home in Manley.

Elmer Wendt who has been in the hospital for some time returned home Sunday and is doing very well at the present. Irus Gerdes, Elmer Sprieck and Elwin Isaac went to Omaha on Tuesday to give blood to the Blood Bank on behalf of Elmer Wendt.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wildrick were Sunday dinner guests at the Fred Wildrick home in Weeping Water.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwin Isaac and sons of Manley were in Plattsmouth last Tuesday so Michael could see an eye doctor.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kobler have moved into the basement apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Don Urwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Kelley and daughters Janice and Joy left Thursday to make their home in Norwood, Mo. Mrs. Kelley will be close to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Heard who have both been in ill health but are slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brockley and sons of Lincoln were Sunday evening supper guests at the LaRue Williams home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stohlmann and family were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis James and family in Omaha.

Guests Sunday at the A. C. Hinkle home were Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Hinkle of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Deloske and daughters and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Scholting and Mike, all of Springfield. Afternoon callers were Mrs. Austin Finlay and Howard, Mrs. Ben Scholting and Mike returned home last week by plane from a visit to Mrs. Scholting's sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Miller and children. The Scholtings left here about the last of January and expected to be gone about a month, but while at the Miller home in Mesa, Ariz., Mrs. Scholting was hospitalized with a ruptured appendix and was not allowed to come home till last week. Mr. Scholting came home earlier in their car.

Mrs. Charles Masters returned home Thursday from a few days visit at the home of daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Scott and daughter in Auburn. She took care of Mrs. Scott who was ill with flu.

**Wesleyan Service Guild**  
The Wesleyan Service Guild met at the church. Guests present on guest night were introduced. A film, Village Reborn, was shown and explained by Muriel Webster and Muriel Berner. Next meeting will be on March 18. Lunch was served by Genevieve Williams.

**WSSC Evening Circle**  
The Evening Circle met March 4 with 12 present. A program was given by Dora Lou Hrabik concerning the "true meaning of holidays for families." Lunch was served by the hostesses, Eileen Miller and Kathryn Myers.

**4-H Helpers**  
The 4-H Helpers met at the home of Judith Stohlmann Thursday afternoon. Nine members answered roll call by telling the

colors of materials they will use for their sewing projects. Achievement awards were presented to the members who finished their projects last year. The girls started working on their napkins for their luncheon sets.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Stohlmann.

**American Legion Auxiliary**  
Due to the storm, the American Legion Auxiliary meeting was held March 6 with Pauline Fredericksen in charge. Hostesses were Hattie Schliefert, Phyllis Griffin, Zoe Haggard and Idella Landgren with Henrietta Alfrey, Jean Webb and Maybelle True in charge of the program.

Hostesses for the April meeting will be Anna Johnson, Vera Miller, Margaret Wirth, Irene Fleck and Sarah Doan. Beulah Brunson will have the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Leroy of Manley were Sunday evening callers at the Howard Dobbs home.

Tuesday evening, Dickie Johnson entertained the boys of the Fourth Grade class to a supper in honor of his birthday.

Mrs. Edward Greil and sons were Wednesday afternoon callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Beck.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wollen and daughter, Kristine of Lincoln were guests Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Johnson and family.

The Jolly Workers 4-H Club had a farewell supper Wednesday evening at the Anton Johnson home for Janice Kelley who left Thursday with her parents to make their home in Norwood, Mo. Nancy Saltmarsh was an additional guest. The group presented Janice with a nice gift.

Mrs. Max Burmeister was a caller Saturday morning at the N. F. Hennings home. Monday dinner guests were Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Hennings of Lincoln. Tuesday callers were Rev. Lentz and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Hennings of Avoca. Wednesday evening callers were Mr. and Mrs. Verne Hild and Mrs. Lyle Hild of Plattsmouth. Thursday morning caller was Ernest Hennings.

Sunday afternoon guests at the Don Urwin home were Mrs. Richard Norris and Steve of Avoca.

Pat Vaughn, who was six years old Wednesday, celebrated his birthday by being allowed to sit up in bed for a while. He had been down two weeks with measles.

Sunday dinner and supper guests at the Henry Doermann home were Mr. and Mrs. LaMoine Thomas and sons of Nebraska City.

The Tobias High School basketball team coached by Bob Gess of Louisville had a successful season this year to become one of the teams in the Class E state tournament at Lincoln.

Paul Addyman, W. L. Blair and Dick Meisinger left Sunday for Hot Springs, Ark., to attend the races.

Mrs. Vernon Urwin said she saw her first robin of the spring Wednesday afternoon during the recent snowstorm.

Mrs. Paul Doty and son Scott,

Mrs. Chris McGrew and Mrs. W. S. McGrew drove to Grand Island Wednesday to visit with Mrs. Bert Alfrey and family. They came home that afternoon in the heavy snowstorm and found driving very hazardous.

Gertrude Brammer of Indianapolis came back by plane Friday and spent a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brammer.

Mrs. Elmer Pearson and Mrs. Anna Harms were callers last week at the home of Mrs. Fred Lorenson and Mrs. William Schroeder.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Puls and sons of Manley and Frank Reister and John Roeder of Murdock attended the basketball tournament in Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Baker entered the University Hospital in Omaha last week. Mrs. Baker underwent surgery and both are getting along as well as can be expected.

Sunday visitors at the Herbert Keckler home were Mr. and Mrs. Maurice DeCaboater of Omaha and Cyril Vervaecke of So.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stander were guests Wednesday at the George Bauers home.

Mrs. Earl Hickman who spent a week visiting with relatives in Kansas is home.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Mason, Kim and Timmy of Humboldt spent the weekend at the Herbert Mason home. Sunday a birthday dinner was held honoring the first birthday of little Timmy Mason. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Farley Amick and Brett of Weeping Water, Mrs. Theima Heilig and Alan of Nebraska City and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Steinkamp and family. It is the first time the whole family has been together since last fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wildrick, Donald and Aimee were Sunday evening supper guests at the Harlee Haswell home in Ashland.

Daisie Schlatter visited the past week with Mrs. Emma Norman. Dinner guests Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Louie Roeder of Ashland and Herman Roeder of Louisville.

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**APRIL 6, 1959**

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The NW 1/4 of Section 30, Twp. 12, Rge. 13 and the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 30, Twp. 12, Rge. 13, Cass County, Nebraska. This is also an improved farm in a very good community. Abstracts showing merchantable title will be furnished.

TERMS: Cash on delivery of deed and abstract.

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**J. HOWARD DAVIS, Executor**

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