

EDITORIALS

Be Smart in the Water

During the hot summer months, nearly everybody likes to go in the water. In addition to public bathing on the beaches and at the resorts, water sports attract thousands of people.

The accident toll is high. For some reason, sensible persons take chances in the water. Good swimmers drown through over-confidence. Flippant jesters rock the boat.

It is a good idea for people to know the simple rules that might save their lives. Swimming alone, when overheated or too soon after eating, may be disastrous. It is also a good idea to know the depth of the water in which you are swimming. Finally, make it a rule to avoid smart tricks and "showing-off."

Down Memory Lane

20 YEARS AGO

James M. Robertson, II, son of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Robertson, was graduated from the U. S. Naval academy at Annapolis, the first Plattsmouth man to be graduated from the school. He graduated from the local school & later entered Santa Clara Junior college in California in the school of engineering and while a student there he was recommended by Hon. H. C. Luckey, congressman from the first Nebraska district, for the naval academy. On July 15, 1935 he entered the academy at Annapolis. He is to report on July 1st at San Pedro, Calif., for assignment to the U. S. Louisville — The pea pack was starting at the Norfolk Packing Co., with the crop showing fine results in quality. The force at the plant is working at full capacity and practically around the clock — Farmers in a meeting at Manley went on record as being against formation of a conservation district. Dr. G. E. Condra of the

state university was present to discuss the matter with the farmers. The members of the group seemed favorable to conservation but opposed to regulation of tree planting and crop planting. With the views expressed by the meeting, the matter was dropped by officers of the state organization as far as a new district was concerned — Memorial services were held at the First Christian church. Taking part were the American Legion, the Legion Auxiliary, Daughters of the American Revolution, Woman's Relief Corps. Roll call of the dead was given by E. G. Ofc for the Legion and Spanish-American war, the WRC for the Civil war, and the Legion Auxiliary by Mrs. L. S. Devoe for the deceased Auxiliary members. Raymond J. Larson presented the speaker, Hon. W. C. Rathke of Glenwood, state commander of the American Legion of Iowa, who paid tribute to the veterans of the wars of the nation for their service in time of need and as citizens of the nation — Raymond Wissel, well known welder, was operated on at St. Catherine's hospital for removal of his tonsils — The nation paid in lives for the Memorial day observance — 550 being reported from all sections of the country, automobiles being the largest factor in the deaths — Roland Rikli of near Murdock was injured when a tractor turned over on him. He was finally rescued by Jess Kliser and others who dug the young man out from under the tractor. He was taken to a Lincoln hospital where 96 stitches were taken in his wounded leg.

30 YEARS AGO

The Missouri river was showing the effects of the annual June raise at this point as the result of water from the mountain sections reaching this section. Lowlands east of the city were partly covered east and south of the baseball park — At the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Williams at Elmwood, their daughter, Helen, became the bride of Mr. Karl Schneider of Indianola, Neb. About seventy-five guests attended the wedding. Mr. Vernon Clements served as best man and Miss Cora Williams, sister of the bride served as bridesmaid. Rev. Frank Lenz of Lincoln, read the marriage lines.

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Goose Hunters In State Raise Success Ratio

LINCOLN — Goose hunters enjoyed a fine year in 1958 but duck hunting success was down slightly, according to a recently completed waterfowl survey by the Nebraska Game Commission.

The survey points out that state hunters bagged a calculated 445,252 ducks, 22,343 geese, 4,665 coots and 3,654 snipes. The 1957 figures were 697,055 ducks, 12,499 geese, 12,755 coots and 2,500 snipes.

A preliminary report shows a 2-per cent increase in the number of different days waterfowl were hunted ducks. The average hunter bagged eight ducks in 1958 as compared to almost 11 in 1957, a season decline of 26.2 per cent.

More mallards, 247,115, were taken in 1958 than all other species combined. Other calculated kills were: green-winged teal, 56,992; blue-winged teal, 48,087; pintail, 20,036; gadwall, 8,905; shoveller, 8,015; scaup, 5,788; baldpate, 4,453; redhead, 3,117; canvasback, 3,117; and merganser, 1,336. Species not identified for 38,291 ducks.

The first 10 days of the season accounted for the heaviest reported kill, with 83,262 birds taken. The second 10 days was second high, with the third, fourth, and fifth 10-day periods about equal. Hunter success then declined through each 10-day period until the end of the season.

Goose hunters' season bag in 1958 was 398 as compared with 195 in 1957, an increase of 104 per cent. Most of the geese, 9,809, were classed as Canada geese while 8,401 were reported as blue and snows. There were 3,307 white-fronted geese and 827 were not classified.

It was also reported that sale of migratory bird stamps declined during the fiscal year 1958-1959 in the Central flyway. Stamp sales for the flyway dropped from 555,525 to 438,320. Nebraska ranks third in the flyway with 63,909 stamps. Texas has the top sale in the flyway, 101,836.

More Muskie Eggs For Nebraska

LINCOLN — The Nebraska Game Commission's experimental muskellunge program enters its third year, thanks to an air freight shipment of eggs from the state fish hatchery at Bemis Point, N.Y.

Fisheries Chief Glen R. Foster said a quart full of muskie eggs, numbering seven thousand, were sent to Lincoln by commercial air lines and relayed from there to the Valentine state fish hatchery by Game Commission plane.

In 1957, the New York State Conservation Department sent a batch of eggs to Lincoln, but the eggs hatched enroute and all were lost. The 1958 shipment of eggs hatched at Valentine, and some of the fish were planted in Lake Minatare. This year's muskies will be held at Valentine for brook stock. They will eventually be released in Gavins Point and McCaughy reservoirs and in some of the deeper and larger Sand Hills lakes.

New Vehicle Registrations

The following new vehicles were titled recently by the office of county clerk here (owner, dealer, make):

Frederick King, Ruben Auto, Ford; Thomas S. Solomon, McKinzie Pontiac, Pontiac; Ruth H. or Fred G. Harms, Ruben Auto, Ford; Chas. E. Doran, Luken Chev., Chevrolet Pickup; Chas E. Doran, Luken Chev., Chevrolet Pickup; Paul J. Luken, Luken Chev., Chevrolet Pickup; Wayne E. Schneider, Ruben Auto, Ford; Onel B. or Henrietta B. Lupardus, Laird Mtrs., Edsel.

Arthur W. or Pearl Adams, Busker Mtrs., Studebaker; Eugene L. or Ovis Gilson, Cass Co. Mtr., Oldsmobile; Ralph Narlen H. P. Smith, Ford Truck; Lyle O. or Shirley Schaefer, Murphy Bros. Chev., Chevrolet; Veri or Elma A. Brunkow, Andrews Mtr., Ford; James M. or Emma Holoubek, Cass Co. Mtr., Oldsmobile; James J. or Alvina Holy, Cass Co. Mtr., Chevrolet; Ray or Margaret Parsell, Laune Chev., Chevrolet; Herbert E. or Bonnie J. Peteret, Sample Hart Mtr., Ford.

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Bids Accepted On Projects of Game Commission

LINCOLN — Bids are now being accepted by the Nebraska Game Commission for two projects. Bids for both will be opened June 5.

One bid is for the construction of a five-room residence at the Rock Creek Fish Hatchery, Parks. The other is a bid for 7½ miles of rock surface roads and parking areas, including drainage structure, at the Plattsmouth Waterfowl Management Area.

Bids will be opened for the Plattsmouth project at 11:30 a.m.

15-Pound Sturgeon Caught in Platte

COLUMBUS — Close counts only in horsehoes, learned fisherman Walter Wurdeman of Creston. Trying his luck in the Loup Canal tail race on the Platte River, Wurdeman caught a 46-inch-long sturgeon that weighed 15 pounds.

Reporting the fish to the Game Commission, Conservation Officer Lyman Wilkinson learned that Wurdeman's feat fell short of the state record. Largest sturgeon on record in Nebraska is an 18-pound, 8-ounce taken by Ernest Petsche of Hartington in Gavins Point Reservoir in 1958.

46-Inch Rattler Killed in State

LINCOLN — The Nebraska Game Commission has a new record rattlesnake listed on its books. George Mousel of Cambridge told the Game Commission that he killed a 46-inch prairie rattler in August, 1954, on his ranch in Frontier County. Mousel still has the snake skin and rattles.

The longest rattler on record, prior to Mousel's claim, was one which measured 43 and nine-sixteenths inches and was killed by Game Commission Biologist Karl Menzel near Stockville this spring.

Cass County's Greatest Newspaper The Plattsmouth Journal



"Had the last word with the wife tonight — it was — 'don't!'"

Weeping Water News

Mrs. Edward Van Horn — Phone 252-W

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller of Lincoln were Saturday night and Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harlon Stock, Jim and Sharon. They all attended the Alumni banquet Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Kroll of Compton, Calif., are visiting in Weeping Water and attended the Alumni banquet Saturday evening.

Sharon Stock started work Monday morning at Ash Grove Cement Company in Louisville in the office.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ehlers and family of Avoca were Sunday guests of Mrs. L. F. Ehlers, Mr. and Mrs. Hy Kirchoff were afternoon guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kobler of Louisville and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Stanley and three children of Adams were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Upton and family Thursday night following graduation exercises, honoring Sharon who was a graduate.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Dettmer and family were Saturday supper and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dettmer and family of Syracuse.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lorenson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rehmeier, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Colbert, Mrs. Glen Henger, Mrs. Clarence Pool and Hazel attended the Wabash memorial services Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lorenson were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Blevins of Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dettmer, Robert and Sandra of Avoca, Christie and Kathy Noerlinger Mr. and Mrs. William Newham and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller of Lincoln were lunch guests Thursday evening after graduation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harlon Stock and family, honoring Sharon who graduated that evening.

Mrs. Lee Stratton accompanied Mrs. Kenneth Stratton and Monty to Nebraska City Saturday morning. Mrs. Lee Stratton and Monty visited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Betts and Mrs. Kenneth Stratton attended the Otoe county eighth grade graduation exercises. Two of her pupils were graduates.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stratton and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stratton and Mrs. Everett Halth and family in Nebraska City Friday evening. Candy Lou Halth is staying with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stratton while her parents, are on a trip to California. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Betts accompanied them on the trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cook were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Kreiser at Eagle. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vincent spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. John Swindle of Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. John Jochim and family were Thursday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Meisinger and family. The ladies attended the graduation exercises at the School Auditorium Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlon Stock were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Harvey at Plattsmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Cook and family of Fremont were lunch and supper guests of Mrs. Adam Cook Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cook and family of Omaha were Sunday lunch and supper guests. Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Cook and Charles of Nehawka and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bruns of Plattsmouth were Sunday evening guests of Mrs. Cook.

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Herbert Stoll had the misfortune to step on a rusty nail this past week and run it into the ball of his foot. He is under the care of a doctor and unable to be on his foot. Several relatives have been helping with the chores.

Prisella Westlake of Alliance is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. George Bates. She is a sister of Mr. Bates. Mr. and Mrs. R. Munz of San Bernardino, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Tritsch of Murray were Friday guests at the Bates home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Baker and family and Dorothy Potts of Weeping Water, Rosalie and Junior Massoth of Manley, Mr. and Mrs. Don Urwin and Roger of Louisville, Mrs. Richard Norris and Steve of Avoca, Mrs. Vesta Baker of Lincoln, Mrs. Mary Linder and Susan of Omaha were Sunday supper guests of Mrs. Mildred Sturdevant of Lincoln, honoring Mr. and Mrs. William Kiger and sons who are visiting from Virginia.

Mrs. Maude Philpot was a Thursday supper and overnight guest of Mrs. Adam Cook. Mrs. Philpot is now visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Murdock at Nehawka.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ransford of Eagle and Mrs. E. E. Moore were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Moore and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Norris attended the Memorial Day services in Wabash Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Zessin of Opp, Ala., arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Zessin Saturday. Jim has been stationed overseas in Korea for about 14 months, and is now on a 40 day leave.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlon Stock and Sharon were in Lincoln Tuesday morning. Harlon visited with Alfred Nielsen of Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Stratton and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stratton joined Mr. and Mrs. Dean Stratton of Lincoln for bowling Saturday evening in Lincoln.

Dean Stratton of Lincoln was a Thursday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stratton.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Steinkamp and family of Louisville enjoyed a vacation trip to the Black Hills and other points of interest there. They were Saturday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steinkamp.

John Ruge, 50, passed away at his home Friday evening, suffering from a heart attack. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Congregational church in Avoca. He has been in poor health the past year and suffered several heart attacks.

Johnny Fleming spent Saturday night with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Fleming while his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Fleming attended the alumni banquet.

Suzanne Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Cook of Alto played two violin solos at the recital held by Mrs. Bennett at Wesleyan University on Sunday afternoon. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cook.

Susan Wood started to work Monday morning in Lincoln doing secretarial work.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sterling, Johnnie and Jimmy of Hazelton,

Kans., spent from Friday night until Sunday night with Mr. and Mrs. Alton Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ossenkop and Brenda of Omaha and Edwin Sterling of Lincoln were Saturday and Sunday guests. Mr. and Mrs. John Sterling and Edwin attended the Weeping Water Alumni banquet Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Sterling attended the graduation exercises Thursday evening in Waverly, their cousin was one of the graduates. They later were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Howard of Greenwood.

The annual Congregational church picnic will be held May 31 at the Ray Norris farm home. This will make 28 consecutive years this group had had a picnic on the Norris lawn. It has become a reunion of old friends who return each year to enjoy the day together.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Lowther and family of Union were Sunday afternoon guests of Mrs. Ed Freeman. They enjoyed a trip to Omaha in the afternoon.

Susan Dohrman is staying with Mr. and Mrs. James Stewart and the two younger Dohrman children are staying with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ratliff and family while their parents are on a two weeks trip to California.

Mrs. Ted Cooper and children were Saturday afternoon guests of Mrs. Oren Derby and family of Springfield. Mrs. Cooper took her brother Darrell to the hospital in Omaha to have his hand dressed. He suffered a severe cut a couple of weeks ago when he got his hand in a skill saw. Mr. and Mrs. Cooper and children were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Cooper at Brock.

Eleven members of the PEO went to the PEO home in Beatrice Friday. Mrs. Emily Olive was in charge of the program and used as her topic, "Birdseye View of Weeping Water". Each guest at the home introduced herself and told a little of where she was a PEO member. The ladies were shown through the home and viewed the new infirmary wing. The yearbook committee, Mrs. John Norris, Mrs. Ethel Ratnour and Mrs. E. E. Lorenson served refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vincent of Los Angeles are staying in the apartment at the Frank Cook home for a short time. While here, they are having their home remodeled, where the Walter Kassube family live. Helping with the remodeling are Gordon Henger, R. O. Baker, Ray Jameson, Joe Wipf and Sam Hughes. Mrs. Vincent is the former Lucille Towle.

Murdock

Mrs. Florence McDonald
Phone 2292

Mrs. August Wilkens spent the weekend in Iowa visiting her brother and family.

Mrs. William Knaup spent the weekend in Oklahoma where she attended the wedding of her granddaughter Sunday.

Sunday supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Krueger were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Hite and Mr. and Mrs. John Amgwert all of Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Tool of Wahoo were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lacey McDonald.

Sunday supper guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kupke were Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Elsemann of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Haney and family of Rialto, Calif., and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Elsemann. Evening callers were Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Kupke and family and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Schliefer.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gustin have been vacationing in Wyoming the past week with relatives.

The RNA Lodge met Wednesday evening for their regular monthly meeting and social.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gillespie of North Loup came Monday afternoon and went home on Tuesday afternoon taking W. O. Gillespie home with them. On Thursday they were to go to Casper, Wyo., to visit Mr. and Mrs. Muriel Gillespie over the weekend.

Journal Want Ads Pay

'Safety Makes Sense' Slogan Of Observance

Lincoln — The 16th National Farm Safety Week will be observed July 19-25, 1959, with a theme, Safety Makes Sense ... It Saves Lives.

Contrary to some trends in automobile safety, farm families suffered fewer deaths in 1957 than in 1947. The accident death rate has been reduced from 66 deaths per 100,000 farm population in 1947 to 57 in 1957.

While special emphasis is placed on farm safety during National Farm Safety Week, day-by-day precautions during the summer months will determine to a considerable extent the record of farm safety for the year.

Some facts gleaned by the National Safety Council: — Nearly half (44 per cent) of the accident fatalities associated with machinery occur during

the busy farm work season — May, June, July and August. — More than two-thirds of the fatalities from lightning occur in June, July and August.

— The summer months, June, July and August, lead all other seasons with 34.3 per cent of all accident fatalities.

Machinery and drowning account for one-half of fatal farm accidents. Machinery alone accounts for one-third. Going one step further, tractors account for one-third of the machinery deaths. Drownings have increased with the increase in farm ponds.

FORMOSA ALCATRAZ

Taipei, Formosa — Orchard Island is to be Formosa's Alcatraz for hoodlums and incorrigible elements.

The 1½-by-8-mile island 40 miles south of Formosa was selected by Gen. Huang Chieh, commander of the Formosa garrison, because he thinks rough waters churning about it make escape nearly impossible.

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