

EDITORIALS

Ingenuity Still Alive

In our world of standardization and conformity, it is good to see that ingenuity is still alive. Certainly this is the case with Otto Standke, 72, of Great Bend, Kansas. Anyone who has ever noticed the problem caused in any of our cities by starlings knows what serious difficulties these birds can cause for owners of buildings, hotel owners, etc. That is where Otto Standke comes in. He is a self-styled birdman, and carries around a double-locked box. He never opens it and shows anyone what is in it, but he has successfully chased starlings from a hundred buildings in towns all over the country. And, he gets \$1,000 a building for doing it.

What is more, the birds do not come back—and this is what the skeptics have feared when they have heard about Standke's bird-chasing ability. Standke goes about his business quietly, and at night, and he specifies that he must work alone.

He usually spends about a week doing the job, and his method is still secret today. It is thought, however, that the box he carries contains a pair of metal clappers, which he clashes like cymbals, and a set of miniature chimes, which he plays.

While this may frighten the birds away, it does not explain why the birds do not return. That is his secret. It is also a nice source of income, and a testimonial to his ingenuity.

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Down Memory Lane

10 YEARS AGO

T. I. Friest, superintendent of city schools, was elected as president of the Rotary club at their weekly meeting and Dr. L. S. Pucelik named as vice-president—John and Victor Schreiner, purchased the building in which their drug store has been located for the past five years. The building has been owned by H. A. Scheider. John Schreiner came here from Alliance five years ago seeking a possible site for a drug store and was impressed by the store owned by Weyrich & Hadraba and after short negotiation the store was bought, the store was operated by John Schreiner until the close of World War II when he was joined by his brother on his release from the armed service—The residence in the west part of the city owned by Jerry Konfrst and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. James Larson and family,

was destroyed by fire. The fire was first detected by Elwin Coolman as dense clouds of smoke started rolling out of the building. All of the property of the Larson family as well as part of the Konfrst furniture stored in the building was wiped out in the blazing fire. The Larson family were absent from home at the time of the fire. All efforts of the fire department was useless as the structure was gutted inside when the fire was discovered. The cause of the fire was not determined—Petition was filed with City Clerk Albert Olson asking that the name of Robert Painter be placed on the ballot at the April election for member of the board of education. It was signed by 275 residents of the city—Mrs. Elsie Reece of Alliance, grand guardian of the Jobs Daughters of Nebraska, visited Bethel No. 24 of this city. The grand guardian was welcomed by Miss Clementine Woster, honored queen of the local Bethel—Wednesday evening C. E. Ledgway, master of Plattsmouth lodge No. 6, AF & AM with other officers of the lodge conferred the degree of Master Mason on County Judge Richard C. Peck while Henry Nolting, past master, had the pleasure of conferring the degree on two nephews, Gene Nolting and Harlan Hennings.

30 YEARS AGO

The farm home of Walter Gochenour, located on the island in the Missouri river, five miles southeast of this city, was destroyed by fire. The fire started in the attic of the house and is supposed to have originated from defective wiring—The home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tritsch was made very happy by the advent of a son, born at St. Mary's hospital in Nebraska City—A large delegation of the members of Nebraska Chapter No. 3, Royal Arch Masons departed for St. Joseph, Mo., where representing the Nebraska grand chapter they conferred the degree work at the request of the Missouri grand chapter. The local delegation was accompanied by Hon Lewis E. Smith, of Omaha, grand secretary of the Nebraska grand chapter. A number of the wives of the Plattsmouth delegation accompanied them. The trip was made by auto—The marriage of Miss Siemoneit and Mr. Carl Poteschies of this community was held at the office of the county judge in this city. They will make their home on a farm west of this city. The bride is a sister of August and Emil Siemoneit of this city—Miss Amelia Martens, who for 25 years has been organist of St. Paul's church in this city, was honored at the church. In honor of the event Michael Hild, on behalf of the congregation presented Miss Martens with a beautiful necklace.

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CAPITOL CORNER

By Rep. Glenn Cunningham—Washington, D. C. (Special)—Since World War II Congress has authorized \$51.2 billion in Federal loans and \$18.4 billion in other commitments such as contract obligations. This is a total of \$69.6 billion which has been spent or will soon be spent without an appropriation by Congress.

It is well to bear this in mind when you hear the spenders brag about cutting the budget. What they don't tell you is that all this extra money is being spent and does not show up in the budgets.

The result is a strange one—the appropriations are cut but spending goes up.

The Agriculture Department is offering limited quantities of surplus corn for sale to firms which can convert the corn into industrial solvents. This is part of an experimental program to find out the cost of converting agricultural products into industrial products.

If an economical process can be found—and I think it can—it would be a real benefit to the farm states.

Since 1952 the population of the United States has gone up 17 per cent, but federal spending for non-defense purposes has increased nearly 60 per cent during the same years. This increase in spending has been made despite the efforts of the President and some of us in Congress to hold down spending.

On test after test, there are about 175 of the 437 Congressmen who vote against the new spending schemes. This is not a majority, but it is enough to uphold a Presidential veto.

The filibuster has ended in the Senate, although both the House and Senate were debating civil rights last week. Cost of the day-and-night sessions of the Senate, which lasted all of one week, was \$22,000 an hour. That means that the first 100 hours of the filibuster cost \$2,200,000.

Only two Presidents' wives in the history of the country have had university degrees—Mrs. Calvin Coolidge and Mrs. Herbert Hoover. Only one First Lady was also the mother of a President—Mrs. John Adams.

Profitable Year Forecast for Egg Producers

LINCOLN—The egg business should be profitable this fall for Nebraska producers having facilities for egg production. However, chicks should be ordered now—even if producers are planning to buy started pullets.

This prediction of higher prices this fall than a year ago—and accompanying warning to growers to act at once in ordering chicks—came today from Dr. John L. Adams, chairman of the University of Nebraska poultry department and Fred Olson, University Extension farm economist.

The number of chicks hatched in January and February for laying flock replacement in the United States has dropped 36 per cent from last year, the University spokesmen reported. In Nebraska, the drop was even greater—57 per cent below 1959 for the two-month period. And, on a nationwide basis, the trend is continuing, with the number of eggs for egg type chicks set on March 1 down 39 per cent.

"Chicks need to be ordered a considerable time ahead of expected higher prices because it takes five to six months for pullets to come into production," Dr. Adams explained. With such a small hatch, started pullets also are not expected to be generally available this summer and fall.

"If chicks hatched are not increased in the next two months, egg prices will be abnormally

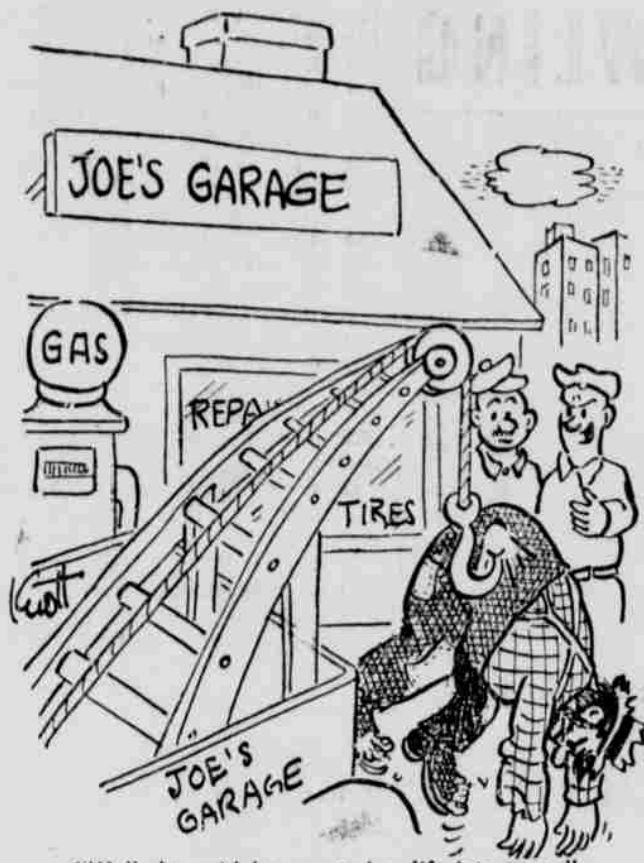
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NEWS FROM EAGLE

Mrs. John Fischer — Phone 7304

Mr. and Mrs. Lance Cites received word from California, that his niece's husband, Mr. Paul Russell of Hawthorne, Calif., had suffered a severe Asthma condition causing death on last Saturday, leaving his wife, Yvonne Bennet Russell, (daughter of Mr. Elmer Bennet of Lincoln, formerly of Alvo, Neb.) and four small children.

Mrs. Clinton Westlake, Orris Lanning, Jesse Westlake and Roland Halvorsen attended the Cass County Council meeting at Weeping Water, Neb. last Tuesday afternoon. It had been postponed a week.

Mrs. Clinton Westlake attended the Elmwood Eastern Star Kensington last Wednesday afternoon at the Masonic temple at Elmwood with Mrs. Alva Reid, hostess.

The Eagle schools Music Contestants are participating in the Mudeus Music Contest, at Palmyra, Neb., on Friday, Mar. 25. On March 29th, will enter the Cass Co. contest at Nehawka, Neb. and District Contest at Wahoo, Neb., April 21 and 22nd.

Dr. Hubert Stewart, of Pawnee City, Neb. visited his mother, Mrs. Hollie Stewart at her home last Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Rohovde and family, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Althouse and family and Supf and Mrs. Paul Embree and family, observed their same date of wedding anniversaries with a basket dinner on Sunday, March 13th at the latter's home. The wedding date, 15th.

The George Oberle family have moved into his mother's property (Mrs. Ida Oberle) from the farm, due to the road conditions.

The Carl Oberle family have moved into his aunt's property. (Mrs. Carrie Trimble who has been residing with relatives at Palmyra, Neb. for last few years). Mr. Oberle is employed at Lincoln and roads from his farm, are almost impassable.

high next fall and winter. This could result in too large a hatch in 1961, accompanied with overproduction and a repeat of very low prices," Olson pointed out.

Glee; Boys Glee; Mixed Octette and Mixed Chorus; Boys Quartette and Girls Triple Trio. Six girls will sing vocal solos this year: Paula Embree, Marcia Ronhovde, Gloria Neeman, Elinor Umland, Connie Sybrandt and LuAnn Kunz. Nine boys will sing vocal solos: Jerry Ronhovde, Lee Westlake, LaVane Johnson, Jim Embree, Arnold Westlake and Dennis Adkins. Susan Umland is the accompanist for all. Mrs. Allen is the instructor.

The Adult class has started a series of meetings at the schoolhouse, to meet on Thursday evenings at 7:30. Topics selected are: Agr. outlook for 1960, New developments in insecticides, chemical and fertilizers, Nebr., Tax situation, Conservation and the farmer, Farm Machinery adjustment and safety, farm records, Cost Analysis, Methods of harvesting and drying. Guest speakers will assist in the needs of specialists for the particular subjects and any person in the local area may attend the classes.

Senior Class Play cast here is: John Weyers as father, Susan Umland as mother, Clara Dunlap as Marilyn Hamilton, Fred Embree as Jr. Hamilton, Jim Cooper as Dick Hamilton, Gary Trunkenbolz as Redford Sandberg, Eddie Beach as Bert Hemingway, Marcia Ronhovde as Gloria, Paula Embree as Margy, Barrett Schwandt as Everett Parker, Jerry Ronhovde as the Cop, Lee Westlake as Grandpa, Jackie Koutsky as Miss Alder, LaVane Johnson as radio announcer. The play is a 3 act comed, problems evolved in a "one-car" family with a 16 yr. old son and a temperamental father to be presented, April 5th. Several of cast are members of other classes.

Mrs. Wm. Trunkenbolz of Lincoln, had the misfortune to fall on the kitchen floor of her home and broke her back, last Monday morning. She was taken immediately to the hospital, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Trunkenbolz and Mrs. Nina Frohlich visited her at the Providence Hospital, Wednesday evening and her condition has improved enough that a cast is advisable. They are former Eagle residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Abink received word from their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Perrin of Kansas City, Mo. that they have a new baby boy. He has been given the name Steven Michael. This is the third child of Perrins and was born on Washington's birthday and also same day as Lester Abink, eldest brother of Mrs. Perrin.

Kenneth Abink, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Abink, underwent an adenoid surgery recently, and has recovered, satisfactorily.

Mrs. Orris Lanning has been selected the Homemaking to represent Cass County at the Rural Homemaking's Day, at Omaha, on Thursday, May 5th.

The William Nolan family have moved to Lincoln recently, where both are employed.

Report of Condition of

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Obligations of States and political subdivisions	29,199.32
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,225,403.47
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	\$ 885,931.96
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations	81,594.25
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	9,667.61
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	115,263.78
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc.)	2,543.09
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$1,095,000.67
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$1,095,000.67
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital*	\$ 37,500.00
Surplus	48,000.00
Undivided profits	34,204.87
Reserves (and retirement account for preferred capital)	10,697.93
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	\$1,225,403.47

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Cashier

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No. 4749 — March 28, 1960.

Ditto for 1959

LINCOLN — Almost the exact number of Nebraskans engaged in fishing and hunting in the state in 1959 as in the previous year, reports the Game Commission.

Resident sales of fishing, hunting, and combination fishing-hunting permits for last year totaled 285,123, nine more than sold in the previous year. Nonresident permits, however, showed an increase. The sale of nonresident hunting permits jumped from 4,784 in 1958 to 9,219 in 1959. Fishing permits, the biggest nonresident seller, went from 10,541 in 1958 to 11,642 in 1959.

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