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The PRAYER FOR TODAY FROM The Upper Room

God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord. (II Timothy 1:7-8)

PRAYER: Our Father, we thank Thee for Thy Son's example of godlike living. Give us, we pray, the courage to witness for Thee. By our lives, may we influence others to love and follow Thee. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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EDITORIALS

NOT SWEET MUSIC

THE other day when Roger Dickeson, president of the Nebraska Farmer Publishing Co., spoke to the South Platte United Chamber of Commerce at Holdrege he said some things which Nebraskans may not care to hear.

He told the gathering, according to the Holdrege Citizen, that Nebraska's only claims as an industrial center are low wages and comparatively low taxes. Omaha and Lincoln, the highest wage centers in the state, are below the national average 10 to 20 per cent. This has resulted in skilled labor leaving the state and unskilled moving in or moving up.

Nebraska's male labor force has declined three per cent in 20 years while the female working force has increased 68 per cent from 1940 to 1960. Dickeson said this is because farm and urban housewives have gone to work to supplement family income.

The Lincoln man suggested that perhaps Nebraska should hire some top economic advisers, as did Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, to tell the state how to get things rolling He suggested we should pay these advisers as much as we pay a football coach.

Dickeson's remarks probably went over pretty good to that point Then he was quoted as saying

"Spiraling costs, wages, deficits and other expenditures by the federal government have not led to disaster as was predicted, but rather have led to the highest standard of living and highest production in our history Nebraska could take a lesson from this, and possibly concede a little to unionism with increased wages and benefits."

Does any office seeker need a platform?



Reporter's notebook

ABOUT A MILE AND A HALF WEST OF THE beehive corner northwest of Nebraska City is an old steel bridge more than 50 feet long. It spans a ravine that must be 20 feet deep.

Otto Wirth and this reporter visited the place the other day to get a picture before the bridge is removed by the county.

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ONLY about 175 acres are drained by the unnamed stream that flows under the bridge, but here is a big steel span that the county can use somewhere else where it is really needed.

A metal tube is going to be put in the ravine and on the upstream end will be a riser some 50 inches in diameter. Earth will be graded off the hills east and west of the spot to make the filled in roadway.

When water comes down the gully it will deposit its silt, if any, the water will rise on the upright pipe and then flow away slowly instead of rushing downhill to make the ravine deeper.

Mr Wirth pointed out as we were taking the picture that after a tube is installed and covered with earth maintenance will be light in the years to come.

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THE News-Press was glad to hear from Mary J. (Elrod) Gravenkamp, a former Nebraska Citian, the other day. She lives in Sacramento, Calif.

"It is really interesting to read of all the changes of progress Nebraska City is making," she writes. "We haven't been back for a visit since 1937 so you can see what a change we can see. Thank you so much. Keep the news coming."

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DID you look at any of the commemorative trees planted in Arbor Lodge in past years?

Ira Glasser, the park superintendent, has identified the trees with copper plates set in concrete. Someone tried to steal a piece of copper from one of the trees recently but the vandal was unable to remove it.

Memorial Trees have been planted in the park for years but identification until now has been pretty spotty.

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A. R. S.



Austin Cutler, safety engineer for the Nebraska City Utilities, assists Marcia Bottcher, seventh grade student at Nebraska City Junior High, as she practices mouth-to-mouth resuscitation on Resusci-Annie. Mr Cutler gave demonstrations to the seventh grade health classes which are under the direction of Miss Mary Ellen Slack and student teacher Miss Carol Nickles.

Good Old Days were merely state of mind

By BERNIE CAMP
Nebraska Farm Bureau

We used to hear, "It will surely be nice when things get back to normal — back to the good old days."

Getting back to the good old days of normalcy has a pleasant sort of sound and evokes pleasant images in the mind's eye, regardless of how impossible it is. It has a sort of Currier and Ives color.

Most of us think of the good old days as the "normalcy" before World War II, a sort of Indian Summer period in history before the United States was thrust so rudely to world political and military power; and federal and state governments got big enough to interfere in the lives of all of us. It "remembers" as a pretty good period, even if it was a time of economic depression and dust and drought.

Before that, the good old days were those "roaring" twenties, those "wonderful" pre-World War I and "gay nineties" days, and on back.

Maybe the good old days was a pretty nice time to be alive from the standpoint of people-to-people neighborliness and a quiet country sort of small town good life. Most people were friendly and thoughtful. There was little interference from the federal and state governments. Many of us didn't have incomes to pay a federal tax on. For most people the seat of government was the county court house and no official there bothered anybody much. They were quite literally "public servants."

Yes, it might be fine to retreat to the good old days, provided we were not acquainted with modern electric and gas labor savers, central heating, air conditioning, super markets and other conveniences of today. We'd quickly miss the convenience foods, the wonderful automobiles, the high speed jet aircraft, the instantaneous wonder of TV news, and the walk in space.

Perhaps, if we had known then that they would sometime be our good old days, we might have enjoyed them more while we had them.

The good old days and normalcy are at best a state of mind.

For many of us, the experiences of now will be the good old days and normalcy in comparison with the "speed" of life, the pressures of government and the tempo of a few future years.

The intangibility of the good old days and normalcy must remind us constantly that we "shall not pass this way again." No matter how conservative our politics may be, we cannot go back. Change must be built in the future rather than upon nostalgia for the good old days.

ARBOR DAY MEETING — The City Chamber of Commerce Arbor Day committee will meet Tuesday at 7 a.m. at Irene's cafe.

HOW TIME FLIES

FORTY YEARS AGO
— 1926 —

Nebraska City was due to have a modern traffic ordinance, regulating the speed of cars, the length of parking, and other items. . . . .The dirigible Norge was over the North Pole with 17 men of the Amundsen-Ellsworth party. . . . .A hearing was being held in Auburn to prevent the Standard Oil Company from cutting prices so as to discriminate against other distributors. . . . .Troop 2 of the Boy Scouts, sponsored by the American Legion, received its charter from State Commander Kinder.

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO
— 1941 —

Kay Bartling, Phyllis Dammast and Jeanne Spier of Nebraska City were to get their A. B. degrees at Peru State college. . . . .Secretary of the Navy Frank Knox told graduates of the Naval War college that it was "impossible to exaggerate the mortal dangers of our country at this moment." . . . . .Clint Pullen and Don Burke of Nebraska City completed boot training at Great Lakes Naval Station. . . . .The new Hart-Bartlett-Sturtevant elevator on the river front was "topped out" by the concrete workers.

TEN YEARS AGO
— 1956 —

Boucher Courts, Fourteenth Street and Second Avenue, were sold by Dallas Boucher to Paul Davis, Nebraska City insurance man. . . . .Mrs Martin Schmaus, member of a pioneer family, fractured her hip in a fall at her home. . . . .A son was born to Mr and Mrs Darrell Higgins (Sally Lintz), of Nebraska City . . . . .Funeral services were held for Dr. Eldo Gordon Tucker with the Rev. Richard Haller in charge. . . . .Miss Clara Showalter, principal of Kearney school, was retiring after 25 years of teaching.

The buck Ends here . . . .

By Ivan D. E. Beaumont

Holy Toledo! A stolen item: What happens when Batman and Robin get smacked by a truck?

You get Flatman and Ribbon

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Vice President Humphrey said the other day he started to make a career as a newsman, but gave it up because the standards were so high.

That might be a bit debatable.

What probably really happened was when the editor saw the first byline — BY HUBERT HORATIO HUMPHREY, JR. — he said . . .o-u-t. . .out. . .out. . .out!

Now, if that newspaper had been printed by offset method, tiger, that would have been a snap.

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If we want to get rich, we ought to form a corporation, get a loan from Lady Bird and do what the nation wants — clean up the junk.

If a person could come up with an inexpensive way of destroying a junked car, there certainly would be a market for cheap metal.

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The other day you read a story about a man who killed an eight-year-old child, was sent to a mental institution released in a couple of years and was picked up in California as a rabble rouser in an anti-Viet Nam war policy picket.

That just doesn't ring right.

There must be something wrong with us or with our way of life. That makes me a believer in capital punishment and makes me think about the parents of the child.

It might be well worth mentioning how the man murdered the child — he dropped her from a six-story apartment building.

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It was a gorgeous day for a parade.

Arbor Day 1966 in Nebraska City out-classed the previous years for weather and certainly a fine program.

They tell me Mort Porter was shaking in his boots when he first read the "showers" forecast.

But that parade. . . .and those Shriners. They just about occupied the whole parade with their dozen Red Mustang convertibles, motorcycles, race cars and gold Chrysler Imperial convertibles.

But for all the show, there is something very special about Shriners — they are dedicated to helping crippled children and podner, in that field they are perhaps the leaders across the nation.

Nebraska City has its Shrine circus, there are other circuses across the state and the state group holds the North-South football game.

And every penny goes to hospitals to help children.

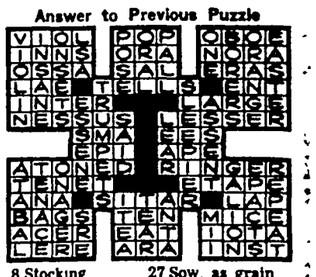
ATTEND MEETING — Utilities Manager Vern Livingston, Bill Brockley and Max Endelman attended a meeting in Grand Island Thursday.

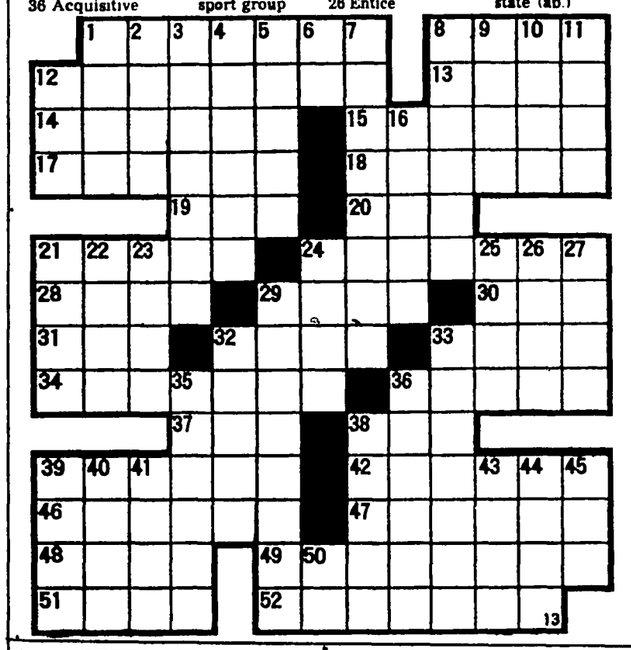
Authors' Works

ACROSS
1 "The —— Letter"
8 "The —— Bug"
12 Feminine name
13 Exchange premium
14 Cheap, gold-colored alloy
15 Take into custody
17 Digestive enzyme
18 Choral compositions
19 Hawaiian hawks
20 Girl's name
21 Young deer (pl.)
24 Casks
28 Eager
29 Rodents
30 Regret
31 Against
32 Plexus (anat.)
33 Weary
34 Ensnares
36 Acquisitive desire
37 Hawaiian pepper
38 Age
39 "The Purloined ——"
42 Prodigal
46 Wandering
47 Zoroastrian sacred text
48 Bedouin head cord
49 East Indian monkey
51 Jumps on one foot
52 Rising out of water

DOWN
1 Painful
2 Harvest
3 Ascending
4 Receiving sets
5 Charges on property
6 Half-em
7 One of a sport group
8 Stocking support
9 Type of molding
10 Careen (naut.)
11 Points
12 Trim branches
16 Bellows
21 "The Great Stone ——"
22 Athletic contest (Greek)
23 Habit
24 Baseball clubs
25 Great Lake
26 Entice
27 Sow, as grain
29 Witty retort
32 "The ——"
33 Journeys
35 Assessments
36 More serious
38 Exalt the spirit
39 Biblical woman
40 Therefore (Latin)
41 Snare
43 Small island
44 Collar button
45 Possesses
50 Southwestern state (ab.)

Answer to Previous Puzzle





SAFETY VALVE

". . . . .printing names. . . . ."

EDITOR, The News-Press: We are familiar with what is referred to as the "Casino Incident" of several months ago. While it involved a multitude of potential charges against the teenagers involved, such as theft, drinking on public property etc., the stigma that could have resulted does not, in that the youths were dismissed.

I emphasize that the names of those involved were never in print. I mention this case to exemplify the continuing inequity on the part of law enforcement and the NewsPress in cases involving teenagers since and before that time and involving matters of no greater seriousness where the names are boldly spelled out in print and in some cases convictions obtained and the stigma established on public record to be reckened with for life. . .(Who makes the decision as to which teenager goes to court? Are no public defenders made available to advise these young people?)

Several examples — the recent mention of a teenager as being guilty of drinking and throwing a beer bottle into a public street and so identified and berated by the Judge. . .or the young boy 13 or 14 years of age who several years ago made the front page for stealing watermelons. Another example is an incorrect story of a teenage joy ride in your issue of May 8, 1966. Is there no concern over the reputation of these teenagers?

My concern is magnified by Nebraska City being my home town. I do not condone - my concern is the lack of equality of treatment here. Could there be political overtones? As far as I'm concerned, in my knowledge of those concerned with the "Casino Incident," there is. I donot feel necessarily that the youths making their first mistake in the "Casino Incident" should be identified in the press, so much as the persecution (by name spelled out in print) of other youths with less illustrious parents whose identity was published and in connection with offenses not as serious as those involved with the "Casino Incident."

When is the inequity of the authorities and News-Press in Nebraska City going to cease? More important, when are the citizens to demand it, and especially those directly involved in this display of preferential treatment. I Wonder!!!

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Alhambra, Calif.

THE ALMANAC

By United Press International

Today is Thursday, May 19, the 139th day of 1966 with 226 to follow.

The moon is between its last quarter and new phase.

The morning stars are Venus and Saturn.

The evening star is Jupiter.

American philanthropist John Hopkins was born on this day in 1795.

On this day in history:

In 1536, Anne Boleyn, wife of King Henry VIII of England, was beheaded in London on charges of adultery.

In 1940, William Allen White, editor of the Emporia (Kan) Gazette, helped organize the Committee to Defend America by Aiding the Allies.

In 1945, more than 400 American Superfortress bombers soared over Japan, attacking Tokyo and laying mines in vital sea lanes.

In 1964, Gov. George Wallace of Alabama won 42 per cent of the votes in a primary election in Maryland. The voting was viewed as reaction to civil rights activities.

A thought for the day—Greek playwright Epictetus: "No man is able to make progress when he is wavering between opposite things."

IT IS GOOD BUSINESS TO READ THE WANT ADS

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Terry Braye, a member of the "Pride of the Pioneers," NCHS band, is modeling a sample uniform which is like the new uniforms for the band. Bill Jenkins, band director, said "We hope the new uniforms will be here by the time school begins in the fall."

The uniform trousers are purple with white and gold stripes down the side of each leg. The coats are all purple, styled like a dinner jacket. When the students play in concert band they will not wear the white overlay but will wear white shirts with bow ties and with this style jacket, it will give formal look. The white overlay has a purple border with purple letters and gold rope braide around each arm at the shoulder. The uniforms have gold buckles and gold buttons on the jacket and overlay.

Mr Jenkins said there will be a few minor changes made but basically this is the uniform which is being ordered.

41 cents paid to the farmer

ON THE FARM FRONT
(Reg. U.S. Pat. Off.)
By GAYLORD P. GODWIN
United Press International

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Agriculture Department said today the farmer received an average of 41 cents of the consumer dollar spent in retail food stores during the first three months of 1966.

This compares with a share of 40 cents in the last three months of 1965 and 38 cents in the January - March period a year ago.

The department said that during the preceding 10 years, the farmer's quarterly share of the consumer food dollar has averaged as much as 41 cents in two quarters in 1956 and in one quarter in 1957. But it has averaged as little as 36 cents in one quarter in both 1963 and 1964.

In a review of the marketing and transportation situation, the department said farm - retail spreads for marketing farm-food products rose sharply in the first three months of this year, mainly because of increases for pork, some fresh vegetables, and most processed fruits and vegetables.

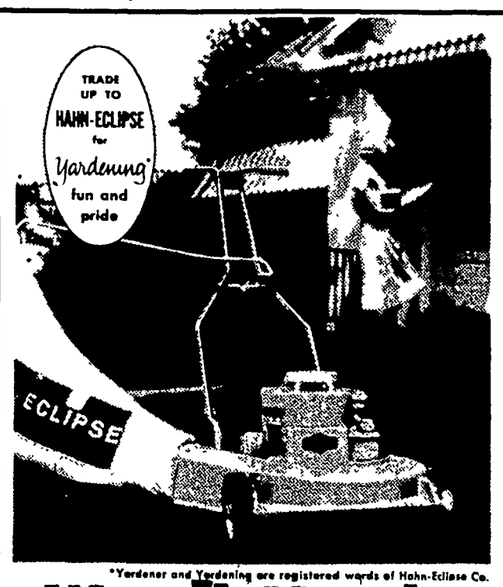
The retail cost of the typical market basket of farm foods averaged $1,090 (annual rate) in the first quarter of this year, up 4 per cent from the previous quarter. This was the largest quarter - to - quarter increase since a similar rise in the first quarter of 1958.

The farm value of the market basket in the first quarter was $451 (annual rate), which left a spread of $639 (annual rate).

The total value of foods in the basket in the first three months was 7 per cent above the previous quarter. Higher prices received by farmers for animal products accounted for more than three-fourths of the rise. Farm values for all other major products rose.

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