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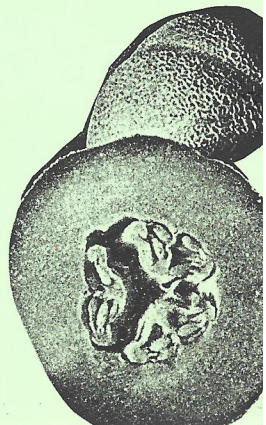
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COMING EVENTS

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| Aug 2 | 7:00 | Firemens Meeting |
| Aug 3 | 12:00 | Senior Citizens Dinner |
| | 7:00 | Council Meeting |
| Aug 4 | 1:00-3:00 | Commodities (Comm. Center) |
| Aug 4 | | Recycle Day |
| Aug 17 | 12:00 | Senior Citizens Dinner |
| | 7:00 | Library Meeting |
| Aug 21 | 1:00 | Boys 4-H |
| | | Girls 4-H Canceled because of Fair |

Any coming Event
Please call 797-2572
by Aug 21st.





LIST OF NEW BOOKS

"G" is for Gumshoe by Grafton
 Hill Town by Anne Rivers Siddons
 Yankee Wife by Linda Lael Miller
 Darkest Hour by V.C. Andrews
 Riders of High Rock by Louis L'Amour
 Homeland by John Jakes
 The Client by John Grisham
 The Firm by John Grisham
 The Pelican Brief by John Grisham
 A Time to Kill by John Grisham
 We'll Meet Again by Philippa Carr
 The Lorax (video) by Dr. Seuss

"Raising the Roof"

Fund Raiser for a new Library Roof
 Sat. Aug. 28, 1993

Kiddie Parade
 Soft-Ball Tournament
 Dunk Tank opens
 Concession Stand opens
 Tug of War—City vs. Country
 Ice Cream Social

Time Schedule will be posted
 at a later time.

If you wish to donate money please
 send to: Fertile Library Fund
 Fertile Public Library
 P.O. Box 198
 Fertile, IA 50434



Library Hours:
 Monday 2 - 8 pm
 Wednesday 1 - 8 pm
 Friday 1 - 5 pm
 Saturday 9 - Noon



OPEN HOUSE BRIDAL SHOWER
 for Kathy Aagard Kirschbaum
 wife of John Kirschbaum on
 Saturday August 14th at 2 p.m.
 at the Fertile Senior Citizen
 Room.

The Norwegian Boy Giant

Johan Aason, (pronounced Yo-hon Au-son), born in Numedahl, Norway, March 5, 1899, came to this country when 5 years of age and was raised and educated near New Rockford, North Dakota.

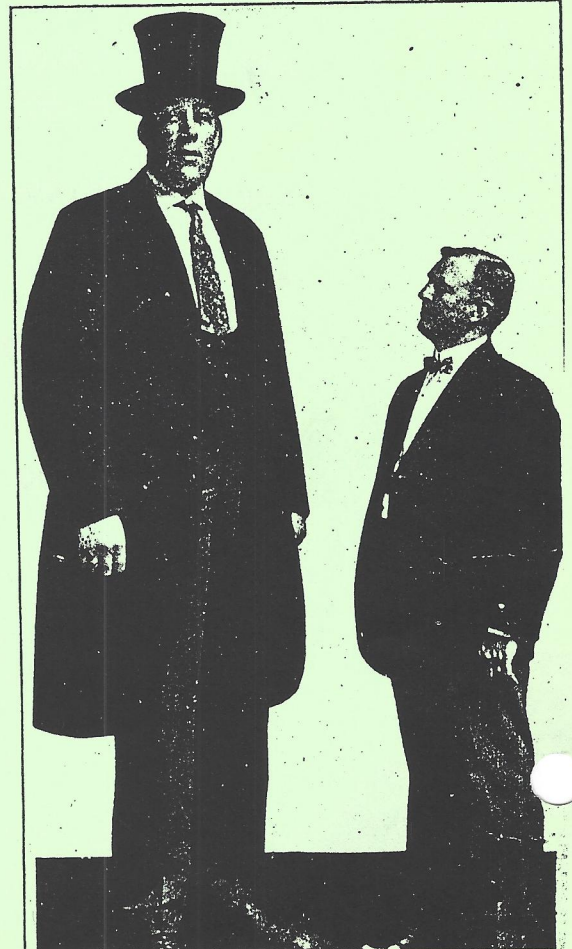
At 22 years of age he measures 8 foot, 9¼ inches in height—weighs 503 pounds. He wears an 8¾ size hat, 22½ size collar, 20 size shoe—measures 61 inches around the chest, requires 9 yards of cloth for a suit. Doctors are of the opinion that he will continue to grow until 30 years of age.

He is normal in every respect. Weighed 21 pounds at birth. Mother stood 7 feet, 1 inch; father 7 feet, 5 inches and other members of the family ranged from 7 feet to 9 feet in height.

He has a fair education, speaks six different languages is musically inclined, playing a number of instruments.

His strength and appetite are quite in proportion to his size, being considerably above the average.

John is an American citizen, a member of B. P. O. E. and M. W. A. fraternal orders and carries the distinction of being the largest member of these respective orders as well as the largest and tallest boy in the world.



COUNCIL NEWS

JUNE BALANCE SHEET
EXPENDITURE

The Fertile City Council met in regular session on Tues., July 6, 1993 with Mayor Smith presiding and Council members Oувerson, Scobee, Thompson and Shropshire present.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

Librarian and members of Library Board were present to discuss plans for Fund Raiser to be held Aug. 28, 1993. They had received two estimates for the work on the roof.

Bruns Brothers discussed a plugged field tile at the lagoon. They will contact Bergan Excavating.

Sheriff Stoffregen was present to discuss a civil defense siren.

Council discussed condition of the roof at the bus barn at the Community Center.

Report given by Mayor that everything is repaired at the water plant and lagoon.

City received deed for the west section of the park. Motion to have Haugen Lawn Service spray in the Fl. Carried.

Motion to have tile put in the South end of School Street and have it resurfaced. Carried.

Discussion on dogs running loose and junk cars.

Those with delinquent utility will be notified as in the past.

Motion to pay monthly bills. Carried.


Meeting adjourned.

Janice Hare
Clerk

Commodities will be distributed Aug. 4th, from 1 to 3 PM at the Fertile Community Center. Butter, corn meal, peanut butter, raisins and apple juice will be issued. Guidelines have gone up, so watch for information in the paper, or check at the local Post Office, Community Center or Pronto.

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| David Low | \$ 301.41 |
| Ray Sandifer | 612.28 |
| Janice Hare | 257.08 |
| Interstate Power | 658.07 |
| Treas. - State of Iowa | 114.52 |
| IPERS | 76.55 |
| Liberty Bank & Trust | 61.97 |
| Waste Systems Corp. | 316.00 |
| Waste Systems Corp. | 1221.73 |
| City of Fertile | 25.50 |
| Winn. Co-op Telephone | 140.47 |
| Peoples Natural Gas | 51.45 |
| Farmers Co-op Elevator | 20.00 |
| GVC Chemical | 214.40 |
| NIACOG | 76.40 |
| House of Sports | 68.50 |
| Fertile Little League & Softball | 700.00 |
| Max Nye | 203.92 |
| Bill's Stump Removal | 120.00 |
| U.S.Stamped Envelope Agency | 482.00 |
| Postmaster | 40.25 |
| Steffen Construction | 4129.00 |
| Total | 9891.50 |

Total Receipts 4365.89



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The Grant Livewires 4-H Club met Saturday, July 17 at the Fertile Community Center. We had a preview of our 4-H projects. Seventeen members, two guests and eleven mothers attended the meeting.

Barb Lee, Megan Levad and Stacy Suby reported on the Iowa 4-H Conference in Ames that they attended.


Katie Andersen reported that the club will serve an ice cream social at the Fertile Library fund raiser and be in the parade.

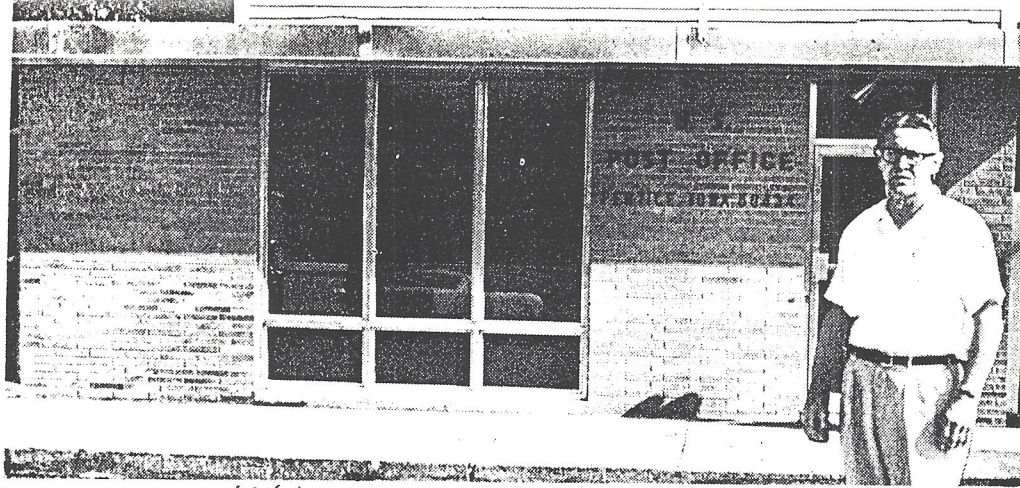
Volunteers will meet and get the booth ready for the North Iowa Fair, August 11-15.

Arlene Lee and Emily Suby gave their working exhibit on "Gift Boxes".

Megan Levad gave a presentation on "Rewiring a Lamp" and Tiffany Severson gave a presentation on painting a t-shirt.

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1965
NEW FERTILE POST OFFICE now has the new name plate on the front of the office. Postmaster James (Mike) Purcell has served since 1961 when the office was working out of old quarters. During the last month the new office opened.

Post Office History Dates Back To Early Days Of Fertile

Post office at Fertile has started a new era in a new location. William Rhodes arrived in the area. William Rhodes came to The post office and personnel Iowa from Rosco, Ill. Aug. 6, moved into their new location, 1856. He stopped at Mason City, a newly remodeled building, but was dissatisfied there so owned by Leslie Nelson, as of moved on west to the location of Fertile where he built a log cabin. Other men and their families followed and also settled in the area near the Rhodes cabin. A new furnace was put in the area near the Rhodes cabin. Rhodes and the other men had all new mail boxes were installed. Rhodes and the other men had to walk to Mason City for groceries and other supplies. They considered themselves lucky at that time to have grocery stores and postal service within 15 miles on which to hang mail bags, and considered the day of walking, a day of recreation.

In addition, a room was built onto the southwest corner of the building for loading and unloading mail. A rack was also installed and postal service within 15 miles on which to hang mail bags, and considered the day of walking, a day of recreation.

Room above the post office will be remodeled into an apartment. William Rhodes had the opportunity of naming the post office which was established on the old Dan Watts farm. He christened the street from the current post office, "The Rock Post Office." The post office had been located in that building 36 years. Gabriel Pence, was postmaster although neither Rhodes nor Pence were commissioned postmasters by the government. They however, were permitted to hold the mail in their homes until the neighbors called for it and were paid one dollar a week by the people of the community for the service. The mail at that time was carried from Mason City to Bristol and via Rock.

History of the Fertile post office dates back to 1856, the year William Rhodes arrived in the area. William Rhodes came to Iowa from Rosco, Ill. Aug. 6, 1856. He stopped at Mason City, but was dissatisfied there so moved on west to the location of Fertile where he built a log cabin. Other men and their families followed and also settled in the area near the Rhodes cabin. Rhodes and the other men had to walk to Mason City for groceries and other supplies. They considered themselves lucky at that time to have grocery stores and postal service within 15 miles and considered the day of walking, a day of recreation.

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In 1868, Mr. Rhodes met a postal clerk on a train who attempted to persuade Mr. Rhodes to campaign for H. O. Pratt for re-election. Mr. Rhodes refused and said he would work hard to see he didn't win.

Dr. N. W. Phillips succeeded A. A. Grove and during the years 1892 and 1893 the receipts doubled. Mrs. Phillips was acting postmaster. Next postmaster was Halvor Ouverson with the office operated by his daughter, Mrs. Olena Elthon as acting postmaster from 1894 until 1898.

During the conversation, Pratt learned that Rhodes had asked again and again for a post office at Fertile and each time his request was ignored. Within one week after the meeting, the people of Fertile received a notice that a new post office would be established at once with William Rhodes as postmaster. Again, the announcement fell through. As time passed, mail was carried from Rock once a week to 15 families, a method which was soon dropped.

In 1872, a caravan of Norwegians from Mt. Horeb, Wis., moved to the area. A post office was established and Ole Ouverson, a member of the caravan, was first postmaster. Post office records date back to Nov. 15, 1873, when the sale of stamps for one week was .81 cents and he received an iron key for pouch no. 54982.

Ouverson made many of the crude fixtures for that first post office himself as all post office fixtures were at that time owned by the postmaster.

For years, the Fertile post office was served by a stage coach which carried precious freight. At first, the carrier came once a week, then twice a week and finally every day. First carrier to make the daily trips was McWilliams. E. Brown drove the stage from 1896 until 1898. Stage coach carriers prior to McWilliams were Burr, Kirk, Bush, Peterson, Isaac White and Cameron who was relieved by William Rhodes.

Other drivers included Gus Eschrich, Frank Reddington who carried the letter pouch to and from the station as he went to and from work, Jim Anderson and Fred Peck. Last driver was Lewis Grove.

In May of 1898, William Winter became postmaster and Jessie Brown, who later became Mrs. J. E. Vincent was acting postmaster.

Next postmaster was Peter Grove who resigned two years later to accept the first rural route out of Hanlontown. First rural route out of Hanlontown was established in June of 1902 after the Chicago, and Northwestern railroad was completed. The rural carrier brought over the morning mail and the evening mail was taken by a messenger from Fertile to the train. The messenger, Roe Van Note, also brought the mail back to Fertile from the evening train. Later, Max Purcell became messenger.

James Kirk served as postmaster at Fertile for six years after which he and his family left with several other families for South Dakota to accept some government land.

Oscar Rholl became postmaster after Kirk and served until May of 1914 when Charlie E. Eikenbary, tired of ruling the rod as schoolmaster became postmaster and served for 30 years, longer than any previous postmaster.

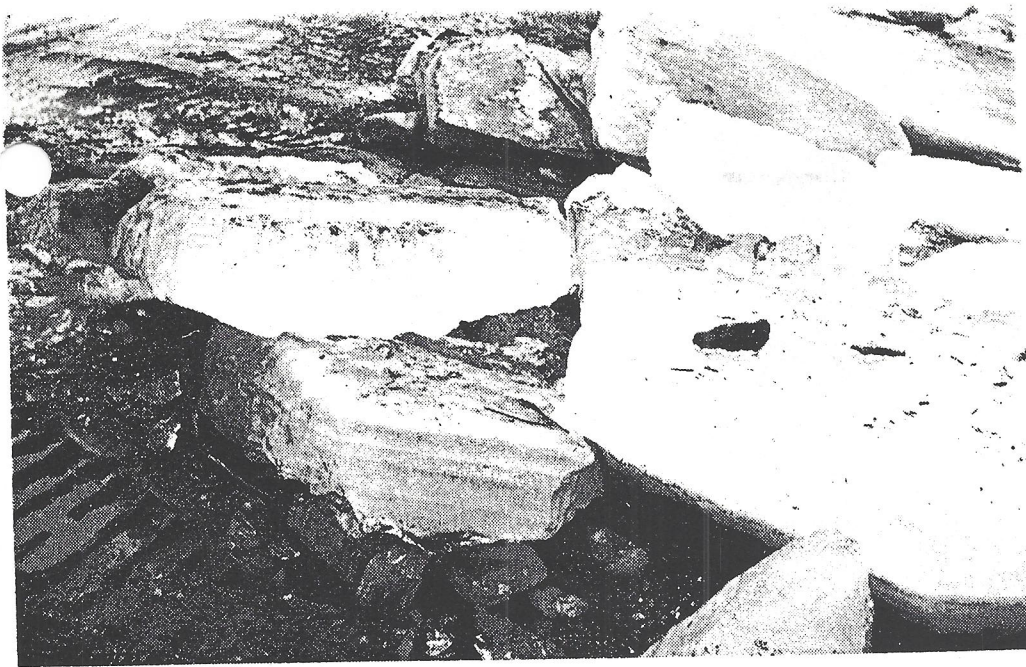
Upon his resignation, his wife, Anna, took the Civil Service examination and became postmaster Oct. 1, 1944.

Receipts of the post office steadily increased until July of 1944 when Mr. Eikenbary received notice the post office would advance to the third class.

During the election year of 1952, the receipts advanced to \$7,000 and had this advancement continued, the post office would have been advanced to second class.

After Mrs. Eikenbary's retirement, Thelma Elthon was appointed acting postmaster and Mrs. Eikenbary was awarded a citation commending her for her long faithful and efficient service.

James Raymond (Mike) Purcell was appointed acting postmaster in October of 1961 and is still serving as Fertile postmaster.



CHUNKS OF ICE are shown in this Summit photo which was taken along the road east of Fertile. Current in the river bed was so rapid during the flood that it changed the current to the northeast, washing these cakes of ice up to and across the road. Tractor and scoop had to be used to push them off the road bed.

Ice Cakes, High Water Cause Damage At Fertile

Fertile--Ice jams at Fertile last week caused problems, but caused greater problems after the ice broke loose.

Ice was jammed up at the Rafferty bridge three miles southeast of Fertile, causing all low land west of the bridge to be flooded. Men even considered using dynamite to loosen the ice jams, according to Mrs. George Hall, Fertile correspondent. However, she said, upon investigating, they discovered that due to a gas line on the east side of the bridge, they could not use dynamite. Eventually, the ice did melt and work itself through.

Ice jammed above the dam at Fertile prevented a great deal of water from getting over the dam until noon April 7 when the ice broke. Then, enough water poured over the dam to bring the gauge on the footbridge to nine feet above the low water mark.

Current, which accompanied the ice was strong, but couldn't continue down the river because of the ice jam at the bridge east of town. As a result, the current changed to the northeast and washed the big cakes of ice up to and across the road east of Fertile. Fertile residents had to use a tractor and scoop to remove the ice cakes from the road.

The Rev. and Mrs. E. R. Haspany and three children were evacuated from their house, which was surrounded by water. The water was so high around the Haspany house that it ran into the basement windows from the outside.

The water, which was termed the highest it had been since 1937, was so high that three Fertile residents, Richard Humphrey, Robert Gudmonson and Tom Ouverson, got into a boat at the first curve in the road east of Fertile and rowed across a field to visit the Verle Millers. The road east of Fertile was covered with water from Lloyd Orcutt's grove to one fourth mile east of town preventing all travel.

High water in the park, resulted in much damage to the park. Current of the river tipped the cement foundation of the Veterans Memorial in the park and floating ice cakes broke out both bricks on the west two corners of the monument.

In addition, the ice cakes damaged the trees in the park. Mrs. Hall reported that the large trees are barked badly and the small ones broken off.

She reported that the 1.5 inches of rain which fell in the Fertile area April 11 probably would keep the river above flood level for awhile. The water had de-

creased to six feet above the low water mark April 14.

Mrs. Hall said Fertile area men put on their hip boots Friday and went into the park to paint the trees which had been barked by the ice. They believed that painting the trees would prevent them from dying and diseases from spreading.

While investigating the damage in the park, they learned that the high water and ice had also damaged the cement bridge, over which residents pass to get into the park proper. They reported that the bridge had been caved-in in such a way, that the water now goes around it, rather than under and through it.

They also believed it would take all the men they could get together at least 2 1/2 days to clean up the park as a result of the damage and debris left by the flooding river.

With all the rain in this area this summer, our park has looked almost as it did back in 1965 when the ice went out. It was this ice that broke our Vets Memorial in the park. This picture was taken in April 1965.



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Ouerson Reunion Potluck

Sunday, August 8

Dinner @ 12:30

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Please bring 1 hot dish & salad
or dessert!!

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ANGRY RIVER — The Winnebago River below the Fertile dam boils and swirls as it is at least eight feet over normal, swollen by the melting snows and spring rains. Just below the dam it escaped its banks and spread throughout the Rhodes park at Fertile.



Duane Pederson
1933-1993

Duane was born in Mason City, Ia on April 18, 1933, the son of Selmer and Edna (Nelson) Pederson. He was baptized and confirmed at Fertile Lutheran Church and attended Fertile High School. He began farming with his father. On November 4, 1956, he was married to Marcheta Rodberg in Mason City. The couple have farmed in the Fertile area for their entire married lives. Duane has been a life-long member of Fertile Lutheran Church, a member of the Fertile Senior Citizens and enjoyed collecting toy tractors. He died at North Iowa Medical Center in Mason City on June 29, 1993 at the age of 60 years. He is survived by his wife, Marcheta Pederson of Fertile, his children; Julie Vavrik, her husband Marv and their daughter Hannah of Clear Lake, Randy Pederson and his wife Cheryl and their children Le and Adam of Fertile, a brother Herbert Pederson and his wife Marlys of Ankeny, and his mother Edna Pederson of Fertile. He was preceded in death by his father and a brother Roger. Our deepest sympathy is extended to his wife Marcheta and children Julia and Randy and their families and to his mother and brother.

Our park has almost been a carbon copy of 1965. We can count the days we've been able to drive across the entrance bridge. At one time the complete east part was under water. At the present time the water has receded but still running across the bridge. It is still muddy and lots of bugs! This makes it very difficult for any clean up and mowing.

The article mentions 3 fellows getting into a boat and rowing to visit the Verle Millers. That night we received 4" in 40 minutes. I believe one could do that in several areas around town, one being on W Washington Street. Also many fields have been flooded with water. Nathan Lovik has enjoyed canoeing in his dad's hayfield.

Yet, with all the gloom and rain we have lots to be thankful for.



FERTILE PARK AWASH — The high-arched footbridge in William Rhodes Park at Fertile is almost the only dry thing in sight. And even the far end of the bridge is not quite dry. All the grounds are under water as the Winnebago River measures eight feet above normal in that section.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Eli Mastre who passes away on July 11, 1993 at the I.O.O.F. Home in Mason City. He attended school in Fertile. Eli and his family lived on a farm north of Clear Lake from 1942 until 1989 when he moved to the I.O.O.F. Home in Mason City because of ill health. He is survived by a son Keith and two daughters, Mrs. Max (Joann) Frazier of Ames and Mrs. Larry (Marian) Luker of Clear Lake.

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Driving Miss Betty

by Neil L. Kuns

Once upon a time there was a small town in Iowa. In the town there was a small school, and the children in the town walked to the school. Suddenly a consolidation took place and the children who lived on the farms near the town who previously attended the rural schools had to be transported to the Fertile Consolidated School in the town. During the '20s and early '30s the solution was provided by horse-driven rigs. Wagons with open tops and seats along both sides of the bed were used during the Fall and Spring. When winter snows closed the roads the wheels were replaced with runners, and the students "sledged" into town. Many of the roads were unimproved and were especially difficult to use during the spring thaws when the frost was working its way up and out of the ground.

Winters are harsh in Iowa, and early in the decade of the thirtys the School Board decided to change the method of moving the children to the school. Personal automobiles had become popular and relatively plentiful. The entire school enrollment was in the neighborhood of 200, and by dividing the rural students into routes of six to eight children they were able to "carry" them to classes, using about twenty drivers. Some of the routes were shorter, and these were doubled up, the same driver making two trips. The longest route reached no more than ten miles out into the country.

Family sedans were fitted with brackets on the front and rear bumpers and yellow signs bearing black letters, "SCHOOL BUS", were placed therein during the time the cars were so used. In order to bid on the routes one was required to have a chauffeur's license and to be a responsible person. Drivers were paid a monthly salary, out of which they bought their own insurance, fuel, tires and repairs. The idea provided a service to the school with a minimum of investment, and income to the townspeople, who otherwise had limited opportunity for such employment. The School Board outlined and publicized the routes in advance, and the prospective drivers drove the roads, measured the distance, and figured a bid which would enable them to both win the route and make a profit.

Each transportation run carried from six to eight children, two in the front, three in the back seats, and three on the laps of those seated in back. Children who were on the early run in the morning were on the same run after school. Playing on the school yard was either a before or an after school experience for all the rural kids who rode one of the double routes. The boys and girls from town walked to and from school, and could play with the others or not as they chose. Many joined in the play, especially after school let out at 4 pm. There were not many other entertainment options in the small town. "The Adventures of Terry and the Pirates", "The Green Hornet", and "Jack Armstrong, the All American Boy", weren't broadcast on the radio until about an hour after school.

When classes were dismissed for the day the "school buses" would all be there, backed up to the curb, waiting for the return trip to begin. As soon as all of the kids who had ridden in the morning were on board the driver departed. Rural parents expected their children to be home in time to do their daily chores. That might have caused some of them to dawdle on their way to the bus. On the second afternoon trip a driver might have to wait for a batter to finish his turn at the plate, but generally there was no problem with the afternoon runs.

The morning runs were another matter. Miss Betty, whom I mentioned in the title of this piece, was the daughter of a Scandinavian family who lived several miles out in the country. This farm house was located far from the road, down a long lane. The buses did not pick up or deliver the children to the door, but to the roadside by the drive. The passengers were expected to be there, ready to go when the car arrived. This was in the interest of getting to school on time, before the tardy bell rang. Drivers were to honk if the children were not present, and to wait three minutes before honking again. If the kids were not attending classes that day the parents were to wave the driver on. After five minutes the driver would proceed, with or without the riders. Surely there were others with this pattern, but the one my mother remembers was Miss Betty, (and her brothers) who repeatedly appeared at the door of the house, moments before she was ready to drive on. Of course she waited, while they trudged the long lane to the road.

Mom first "drove school bus" during the spring of 1932, shortly after I was born, finishing a contract for another driver who had to quit. She continued through the spring of 1942. Soon after this the school district bought real buses, and this phase of the history of Fertile Consolidated Schools came to a close. Mom drove that last year in order that my parents could afford to purchase a Hotpoint electric refrigerator, their first. We were among the last in the town to get one. Prior to that time the Ice House had kept Fertile fresh and cool (but that's another story). Until 1937, the year I started first grade, Grandma Carr would come and care for my brother, Dale, and me while Mother drove the bus. After she gave up the route she often pondered how she was able to do it for all those years, though the uncertainties of weather and health. But that's the way we all face life, isn't it? Overcoming obstacles makes us strong and alive. Being useful and helping our fellow citizens makes us a community.

This article was written about Vesta Kuns when she was a school bus driver. As you read this article I'm sure you have many fond memories of riding in cars to and from school. The Reminder Staff wishes to thank Neil for this article for our paper. We appreciate it and enjoyed reading it. Neil Kuns lives in California.

"Congratulations!"

A daughter, Paige Moran, was born on June 29, 1993 to Kevin and Maureen Burtness of Clear Lake, Ia. Grandparents are Larry and Janet Burtness of Fertile. Great-grandparents are Les and Doris Burtness of Fertile and Alma Thompson of Garner.

A son, Joshua Douglas, was born on July 1, 1993 to Richard and Joelly Bruns of Fertile. Grandparents are Joe and Jane Johnson and David and Lola Bruns of Fertile. Great-grandparents are Adolph and Silence Johnson, Alvina Bruns and Pat Zobel all of Fertile.

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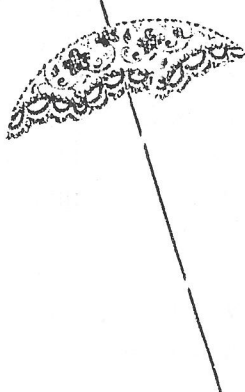
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AN OPEN HOUSE BRIDAL SHOWER for Cathy Warner, bride elect of Paul Burtness will be held Saturday August 14 from 9:30 to 11:30 at the Fertile Lutheran Church. Everyone welcome!

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- 1/2 tsp salt
- 3 tbsl cocoa
- 1/2 cup nuts, optional
- 4 cups miniature marshmallows

Recipe

TOPPING

- 1 1/3 cup chocolate chips
 - 3 tbsl butter or margarine
 - 1 cup peanut butter
 - 2 cups crisp rice cereal
- Cream butter & sugar, add eggs & vanilla. Beat until fluffy. Combine flour, baking powder, salt & cocoa. Add to creamed mixture. Stir in nuts. Spread in greased jelly roll pan. Bake at 350° for 15-18 minutes. Sprinkle mellow over cake, return to oven for 2-3 minutes. Using a knife dipped in water, spread the melted marshmallows evenly over cake. Cool. For topping, combine chocolate chips, butter & peanut butter in a saucepan. Cook over low heat till chips are melted. Remove from heat. Stir in cereal - spread over bars.
- Goldie Felland

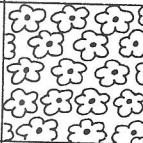
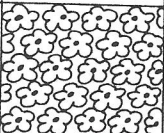
KID'S CORNER

CROSS-OUT

What are your friends
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Answer: Going on a vacation

A little cream of tartar added to mashed potatoes will help them fluff up.

Coffee grounds make good sweeping compound for cement floors.

When hands stain, rub them with toothpaste and wash in warm water.

The white of an egg will remove chewing gum from anything - even hair, without a trace.

This really works! Sue tries it - Put egg on gum use dull knife + it will peel off.

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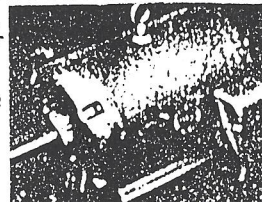
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Marine Cpl. Rene Ochoa, son of Jesus and Blanca Ochoa of Fertile, recently received a Certificate of Commendation. Ochoa was cited for superior performance of duty while assigned with Marine Expeditionary Unit Service Support Group 15, 1st Force Service Support Group, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif. He consistently performed his demanding duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner, according to a news release. Ochoa is a 1987 graduate of Forest City High School and joined the Marine Corps in December of 1987.

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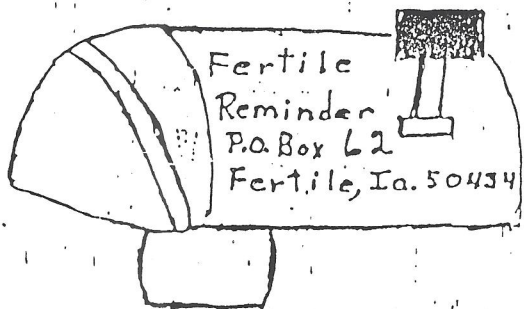


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