

AN APRIL FOOL PROGRAM GIVEN

Kiwanis Members Hear of Disputed Origin of All Fool's Day.

It was an April Fool program from beginning to end that was given at the Kiwanis Club dinner meeting at the Strand Hotel Monday evening when Kiwanis queens were guests.

H. R. McCall, in a five minute talk, told of the disputed origin of All Fool's Day, pointing out that it is said by some to have been started about 400 years ago when Charles IX, king of France, changed New Year's Day from April 1 to January 1.

Owesley Welch presided as program chairman. The attendance prize was given by Barry Paris and was received by Mrs. B. R. Harris.

Among the guests were Miss Irene

THE CHARACTERS OF "GONE WITH THE WIND" COME TO LIFE AT THE RITZ THEATRE - - - - 5 DAYS STARTING TODAY



CLARK GABLE as Rhett Butler, VIVIEN LEIGH as Scarlett O'Hara, LESLIE HOWARD as Ashley Wilkes, OLIVIA de HAVILLAND as Melanie Hamilton, THOMAS MITCHELL as Gerald O'Hara, HATTIE M. DANIEL as Mammy, BARBARA O'NEIL as Ellen O'Hara, ONA MUNSON as Belle Watling, LAURA HOPE CREWS as Aunt 'Pittypat', CARROLL NYE as Frank Kennedy, HARRY DAVENPORT as Doctor Meade, ALICIA RHETT as India Wilkes, ANN RUTHERFORD as Carreen O'Hara.

Cole, Miss Mozell Roberts, Miss Jane Stepp, Eugene Stephens and Buster Strader, who was introduced as Boy Scout of the month. The following guests assisted with the program: Miss Louise Seidel, Miss Linda Howell, Sammy Babb, Miss Geneva Seidel, Don Hartman, Tommy Eland, Cliff Smith and Harold Mitchell.

To Show Pictures of United States Navy

Will Be Shown in Towns and Schools Over a Twelve County Area.

High school students, lodge, club and church members over a twelve county area of North Central Missouri will see moving, talkie pictures of the United States Navy during the month of April through the efforts of the sailors in charge of the local U. S. Navy recruiting station which is located in the post office building.

Chief Quartermaster H. F. Miller started the series of picture shows today when the auditorium of the Purdin high school was darkened and the students there watched sailors of the fleet pictured as they entered and went through their training period, saw how they live, what they do, how they dress and even how operations are performed.

Chillicotheans will have their first opportunity of seeing the pictures, which run for a full forty-four minutes, on next Tuesday evening, April 9th, at the high school auditorium at 7:30 o'clock. Other dates for the showing of the pictures at near-by places include: Lock Springs high school on April 3 at 1 p. m.; Ludlow high school at 1 p. m. April 16; Sumner high school April 22 at 7 p. m.; Brayner high school April 23 at 11:15 a. m. and Laredo high school on April 25 at 1 p. m.

Other dates will be made for showings of the pictures in Chillicothe and other places in the county. Some of the other high schools in which the Navy men, H. F. Miller and Raymond Jeffords, will show the movies are: Purdin, Ridgeway, Palatonsburg, Cowgill, Coffey, Marcelline, Salisbury, Hamilton, New Hampton, Marshall, Polo, Sweet Springs and Princeton.

SERIES OF TRADE AGREEMENTS MADE

Are With Neutral Nations Surrounding Germany. It Is Announced.

(By The Associated Press) LONDON, April 2—Prime Minister Chamberlain disclosed to the house of commons today a series of trade agreements with neutral nations surrounding Germany and warned that the allies were "determined to prosecute the economic war to the utmost of their power."

The prime minister outlined steps to choke off German supplies and said he looked forward to an "intensification" of the blockade against Germany and of British trade exchanges with neutral countries. The allies are determined to "continue and intensify the blockade in every possible way," Chamberlain said.

The Edwards Plane Given First Place

Won Against Seven Other Models Exhibited in the Scout Contest.

The model airplane made by Clement Edwards was adjudged the best in the Rotary Boy Scout troop contest held last night following the month of construction by the members of the troop. There were seven models exhibited and the scouts chose Clement's as the winner.

The plane contest, similar to the ones being held in the other scout troops of the city, was the construction of models. The requirements were that the materials could not cost over a quarter and the plane did not have to fly. The winners of the various troops will be judged now and a grand prize is to be awarded.

Bill Fredericks, assistant to Scoutmaster Jack Marshall, conducted a knot tying relay at the troop meeting, held in the troop's headquarters over the Freed Radio Shop, and created much interest in being able to tie certain knots.

John L. Lewis, CIO Chieftain to N. Y.

(By The Associated Press) NEW YORK, April 2—John L. Lewis, CIO chieftain, arrived today to take charge of negotiation in New York City's threatened transit strike on major subways and elevated lines serving the city's seven million inhabitants.

A strike call would affect 27,000 employees. "I settled this once and Delaney overruled it," Lewis told newsmen referring to John H. Delaney, chairman of the board of transportation. I am going to try and settle it again today if I can find someone responsible in the city to deal with."

Special Three Cent Stamp Will Commemorate the Pony Express

The Pony Express, described as the "most romantic transportation any continent has ever known," will be commemorated with a special three-cent stamp which will be on sale in St. Joseph, Wednesday, and on sale at the local post office the next day, Wednesday, April 3, marks the eightieth anniversary of the Pony Express.

Eighty years ago when mountains, trackless wilderness and barren desert made the California gold fields almost inaccessible, the Pony Express was started as a quicker and more certain method of communication. It was at St. Joseph, which still proudly bears Pony Express honors, that the first mounted courier started west. The following day a packet of letters was dispatched from San Francisco to Sacramento by boat and from Sacramento to the Sacramento Valley Railroad to Folsom and then by stage to Genoa, Nevada, from where, according to history, the pony rider took it for its long journey by night and by day through the Indian country to St. Joseph. This memorable trip was a total run of 1,966 miles, was completed in nine days and twenty-three hours, slightly less than ten days allowed for the run.

Although the Pony Express was short-lived and not a great money-maker, it is important to the development of commercial interests on the Pacific coast. And because the Pony Express went out every day in all kinds of weather and in the face of Indian dangers and other hazards, its fame has not diminished with the years.

Only one rider was ever killed outright on duty, but many were mortally wounded. Robert Hasham, who carried the news of Lincoln's election as president to California, used thirteen relays of horses, was ambushed by Indians, his jaw was fractured by flint-headed arrows, and he lost five teeth. But the mail went through.

The rate of postage by Pony Express was at first five dollars for each half ounce, and later was reduced to one dollar for a half ounce. The small mail pouches weighed about twenty pounds and were made to fit snugly over the horn and tree of the saddle. The Pony Express line comprised 190 stations, 420 horses, 400 stationmen and assistants, and 80 riders, all light-weight men, who were courageous and able to endure any hardships. Their salaries averaged from \$100 to \$125 a month and some received as much as \$150 a month. Each man rode about 100 miles a day; each horse ran about ten miles at

top speed. Only two minutes was allowed the riders for changing mounts at the stations along the way. The best record ever made by the Pony Express was in getting President Lincoln's inaugural speech across the continent in March, 1861. The document was carried from St. Joseph to San Antonio in just seven days and seventeen hours, an average speed of 10.6 miles an hour.

MEXICO SEEKS TO BUY \$8,000,000 U. S. ARMS

MEXICO CITY, April 2—The Mexican Government has opened negotiations with the American Arms Corporation, New York City, for the purchase of \$8,000,000 worth of rifles, artillery pieces, ammunition and airplanes. It was learned last night from a source in touch with the negotiations.

The ancient Romans empaled criminals on poles. Military engineers were formerly called trench-masters.

NO LUG ON STATE EMPLOYEES -- STARK

The Missouri Chief Executive Issued a Statement Today.

JEFFERSON CITY, April 2—Gov. Lloyd C. Stark said today the state finance commissioner was "acting as a sort of clearing house" to accept financial gifts from state employees to the Stark senatorial campaign.

"There will be no lug," Stark replied to a question concerning rumors that salary assessment had been placed on employees in departments under his jurisdiction. "Contributions must be entirely voluntary and there is no bracket system percentage basis or anything to fix the amount of the contribution."

The governor said there was "absolutely nothing to any of that stuff" concerning reports that fixed assessment had been made on some departments.

Special Numbers at CBC Assembly

Miss Lorraine Carson of Kosciusko, Miss., and Keith Schmitt, of Fairview, Kans., gave the special musical numbers this morning at the Chillicothe Business College assembly.

Miss Carson sang three vocal selections, "Roses of Picardy," "The Old Refrain" and "Mighty Like a Rose." She was accompanied at the piano by Arlan Kuskie, Central City, Nebr., student. Keith Schmitt, accompanied by Helen Newton of

HIS FATHER DEAD

Frank Nall Called to Marshall Today to Attend Funeral.

Athletic Director T. E. Lail, who recently awarded sweaters to the five cheer leaders, presented them with silver megaphones as a special merit award for their services throughout the football and basketball seasons. Mr. Lail completed the program with the presentation of sweaters to the nine varsity lettermen in basketball.

Howard B. Nall, 75, father of State Highway Trooper Frank Nall, died in a hospital at Knoxville, Ia., Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Nall went to Marshall today to attend the funeral, the hour for which had not been set this morning.

He is survived by his wife, two other sons and three daughters.

Advertisement for Dr. Gladys Ingram, Chiropractor. Text: LIVE ALL YOUR LIFE. A similar situation results from continual mental tension from worry, sorrow, overwork, or overstudy, which by spinal tension causes nerve irritation. Correction of spinal derangements resulting from such causes, can be corrected scientifically by a Chiropractor. Come to this office for an examination. Know what your condition is and what can be done to correct it. (To be continued) Dr. Gladys Ingram, CHIROPRACTOR.

Advertisement for Lionbergers. Text: Generators - Starters Electric Fans. We Do All Kinds of Electric Work. GET OUR PRICES BEFORE YOU BUY. Phone 333 Lionbergers Phone 333.

Advertisement for the movie 'Gone with the Wind' at the Ritz Theatre. Text: STARTS TODAY 2 P. M. TWICE DAILY ALL SEATS RESERVED. DAVID O. SELZNICK'S production of MARGARET MITCHELL'S Story of the Old South. GONE WITH THE WIND in TECHNICOLOR starring CLARK GABLE as Rhett Butler, LESLIE HOWARD • OLIVIA De HAVILLAND and Vivien Leigh as Scarlett O'Hara. A SELZNICK INTERNATIONAL PICTURE • Directed by VICTOR FLEMING. Screen Play by SIDNEY HOWARD • Music by Max Steiner. A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Release. Gone With The Wind will be shown here in its entirety exactly as presented at Atlanta and Broadway premieres. Tonight at 8 P. M. - Reserved Seats Available. BUY RESERVED SEATS NOW. Seats On Sale At Box Office For NIGHT SHOW (8 P. M.) \$1.12 inc. tax (All Seats Reserved). MATINEE (2 P. M.) 75c inc. tax (All Seats Reserved). RITZ THEATRE. While this engagement is limited this production will not be shown anywhere except at advanced prices—at least until 1941.

Advertisement for 666 medicine. Text: WHY suffer from Colds? For quick relief from cold symptoms take 666. Liquid - Tablets - Salve - Nose Drops.

Advertisement for Prince Albert cigarettes. Text: HOW HE FOUND SLICKER, QUICKER ROLLED SMOKES!

Advertisement for Prince Albert cigarettes. Text: IT MUST TAKE YEARS TO LEARN TO ROLL PERFECT SMOKES. EVER TRIED PRINCE ALBERT? IT'S OUT TO LAY RIGHT TO ROLL EASY, QUICK, AND TRIM!

Advertisement for Prince Albert cigarettes. Text: YOU SAID SOMETHING! P.A. MAKES ME FEEL LIKE AN EXPERT ROLLER ALREADY! YOU BET! AND HOW'S THAT PRINCE ALBERT MILDNESS AND RICH, TASTY BODY?

Advertisement for Prince Albert cigarettes. Text: 70 The roll-year-old cigarettes in every heavy packet of Prince Albert.

Advertisement for Prince Albert cigarettes. Text: PRINCE ALBERT THE NATIONAL JOY SMOKE.

Advertisement for the movie 'The Road to Singapore' at the Ritz Theatre. Text: RITZ - NOW - Gone With the Wind. See other Ad in this paper on it! STARTS SUNDAY BING'S BEST YET! Bing Crosby - Dorothy Lamour Bob Hope "The Road To Singapore"

Advertisement for Standard Poultry Farms. Text: BABY CHICKS STARTED CHICKS. STANDARD THROUGH THE YEARS - DRUMM'S BLOOD TESTED, BRED-TO-LAY CHICKS. Flocks blood tested and culled by University of Missouri graduate poultryman... All Eggs Hatched in Separate Compartments. Hatches Monday and Thursday Each Week. Custom Hatching - Low Prices. Standard Poultry Farms. Phone 731 MANUEL DRUMM 1507 N. Locust