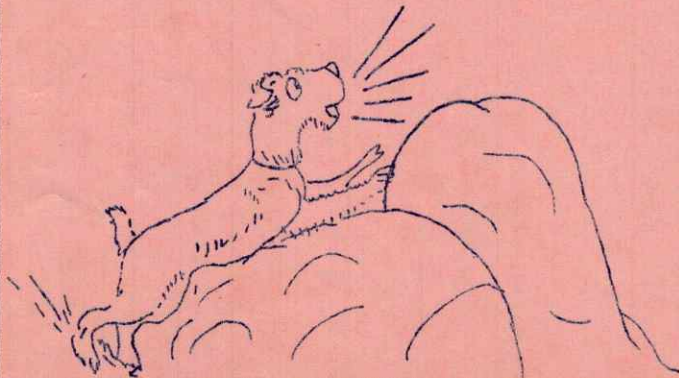
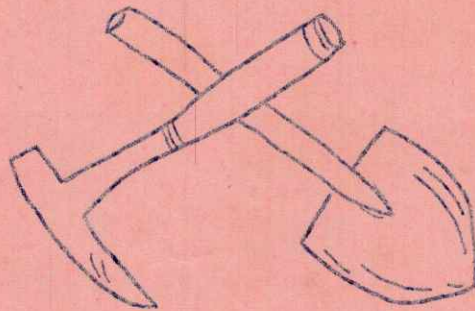


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THE PICK & SHOVEL



Lincoln Gem and Mineral Club, Inc.

Lincoln, Nebraska



This paper is dedicated to all you "Rockyfellers" and we don't mean the oil man, we mean the rockhound. The guys and gals who will trudge over hill and dale, 110° in the shade, yes, no shade, to look for Fairburns, arrow heads or whatever it may be. Come home with back ache, neck ache, feet ache, sunburn, blister, hungry, weary, dog tired. The guys and dolls who will go right back for more, who come home weary from the search only to say "How soon can we go again?" Who, sometimes, may come home empty handed and light hearted, bloody, but un-bowed, ready to go again anytime, anywhere, just say the word. The spirit of a true blue "Rockhound". To those we say this is our paper, our first printing and as we go to press, we hope you Rockounds and Pebble Pups will join us in helping to make it a success.

We want your news, views and interviews, items of interest pertaining to rocks, minerals, jewelry making, silver work and faceting. It will make interesting reading for all of us.

The paper is ours. We go to press each month - date line - the first Wednesday of each month. We are considering a guest news editor each month. What do you say? We will give notices of meetings here, and elsewhere, whenever we can get that information. We will give hints of things to come in the way of field trips and good hunting areas, etc. We will have a "Hints and Help" column, for those new in the game and maybe we will find something new for the help of the old timers too.

One of our members is looking for an Indian Teepee. If any of you "Injuns" have one please notify this paper, in care of the "Swap Column", in care of the reservation! Heap big thanks for same.

that's not all

NOW FOR:



A real old fashioned family picnic for all members of the Lincoln Gem and Mineral Club and their families. Bring the children, Grandpa, Grandma, and all



who live in your house. The more the merrier. This is meant to be a real "get acquainted with your fellow member" picnic. Please come. Bring food and drink for your family. We will serve family style at 1:00 at Pioneer Park shelter house, in the far west end.

June 12.

Cross over the bridge, to the last parking area and we hope to have a sign or two up to lead you there.

A meeting at the Gibson's proved interesting and great plans are being made for the show in the fall - last weekend in September, National Guard Armory. Plans sound very exciting, you will all be hearing more about it. Jobs will be found for lots of you. Make your plans early and arrange for cases with Dr. Gibson, if you need cases. Fill them up with your collection. It will be interesting to all, we know. We want to see your stuff, so bring it to the show. Keep looking for new material and give us your ideas. The success of the club and the show depends on **YOU**.

Start thinking about Labor Day at Ft. Robinson, Orello and the FAIRBURNS.

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We were sorry to lose the Earl Kubes family, who have moved to Longmont, Colorado. Look under "Letters" for more details.

Maurice and Frances Tracy returned from a wonderful trip, Frances sporting a nice tan. The miles - a nice 5000 plus 1. They spent some time with former members, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Haas, in Yakima, Washington. A full report will be in a later issue.

As of June 1, Irl Everett has accepted a position with the Army National Guard. We all wish him the best of luck.

Frank Knott and Frankie are planning to spend their vacation in New Mexico, attending the Rocky Mountain Federation show. We hope they will give us a full report when they return.

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There will always be a frontier where there is an open mind, and a willingness to stick out the neck.

Maybe, with no reflections - The greatest unexplored territory lies right under your own hat!

True friends are like diamonds, precious, but rare - False Friends are like autumn leaves found everywhere.

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With the good old summer time upon us we shall have lots of fun, getting out into the country, breathing deep the wonderful clean air, enjoying the beautiful Nebraska country side, to walk down a country road and taking time to walk slowly, taking note of mother nature, the flowers blooming, rocks to be found and examined, thrown away or bring them home and then throw them away. Either way, its fun to be alive so let us all go someplace.

Remember - Old rockhounds never die - they just petrify!

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Send your news items, articles and material to:

Mrs. Virgil Carveth
2526 South 11th Street GA 3-3172

or

Mrs. Maurice Tracy
3601 South Street IV 8-5341



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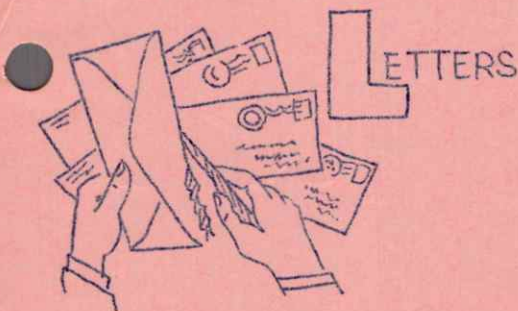
Don't get "Hammer Happy" and break up the whole rock, just a tiny bit from the corner will show you the value of your find.

A rockhound in California uses a 10 penny nail instead of wooden dop sticks for cabochons. She claims it works faster and is easier to hang on to than wooden sticks.

To remove stones from dop sticks, place in freezer for a little while, says V. A. Carveth, our President. If they are still stubborn, place under the cold water faucet, they'll drop off clean and easy. Exception to this is opal or a stone with a high water content because putting them in the freezer, the water in the stone will freeze and expand and will break the stone.

Some people use plastic squeeze bottles for holding water to wet polishing buffs. Just squeeze a little or a lot, depending on what you need.

Battleship linoleum makes a good lap for polishing hearts and round top stones.



From: Earl S. Kubec
Route #3, Box 301-A
Longmont, Colorado

Sorry I had to leave you so fast. I have been sent here to a catalogue store to become the manager. I am still with Sears, Roebuck & Co. I will indeed miss you all and shall never forget you or my pleasant moments among you, the club. However, I feel at sometime some of you will be coming to Longmont and I would be most unhappy if you don't stop and say Hi! You can always locate me through Sears. Best of rock hunting to you all and remember there are plenty here.

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June 17, 18, 19, 1960

Rocky Mountain Federation of Mineralogical Societies Seventeenth Annual Regional Convention, Civic Auditorium, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

July 1, 2, 3 & 4

Twentieth Annual Convention of the Midwest Federation of Mineralogical and Geological Societies, Ishpeming, Michigan.

July 2, 3 & 4

Wyoming State Gem and Mineral Show, Torrington, Wyoming

July 8, 9 & 10

American Federation of Mineralogical Societies, Eureka, California.

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Or are you contented
That your name is on the list?

Do you attend meetings
And mingle with the flock?
Or do you stay away
And criticize and knock?

Do you take an active part
To help the cause along?
Or are you satisfied to be
The kind that just belong?

Do you ever push the cause along
And make things really tick?
Or leave the work to just a few,
and then call them the clique?

Some come to meetings
And help with hand and heart,
Don't just be a member,
But take an active part.

THINK THIS OVER ROCKHOUND, YOU KNOW RIGHT FROM WRONG,
BE AN ACTIVE MEMBER - - - - - DO NOT JUST BELONG.

that's all - for now