

## THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Fellow Rockhounds:

We will have a special meeting July 27th at our new meeting hall; don't forget, it is air-conditioned.

The business at hand will be; show report, and also advance tickets. Information about a new club project and a decision shall be voted on. We will also host the Science Instructors Seminar from Wesleyan University. This is the group that accompanied us to Fremont Picnic and field trip. Some of this group were fortunate to find some materials from Nebraska. It has been mentioned that they would like to have petrified teeth, any type of fossil from Nebraska or other Nebraska material. How about some of us donating some of our material? Let us send them home with some of our Nebraska materials.

The plans are completed for our Rock Swap; August 3rd & 4th, at the Boy Scout Camp. Come on out and try your luck at swapping or just sit around and visit with other rockhounds. On Saturday there will be swapping, a Pot Luck Supper, entertainment and later in the evening there will be a free watermelon feed. On Sunday we will start out with a Pancake Breakfast, swapping and also an Auction. We will breakup some time in the afternoon.

I hope by this time you have your plans completed for the Illinois Show. Gene Eno has applications for entry. Please contact Gene for further information.

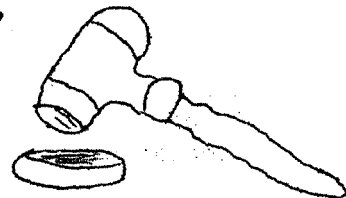
Last but not least, don't forget our own Show. Let's all help Larry make it the best show yet. We also have our annual President's Field trip to Crawford coming up Labor Day week-end.

Next Saturday, July 20th, there will be a field trip to Weeping Water for fossils, etc. Departure time is 8:30 a.m. from 53rd & Huntington. We will provide transportation for some of the Science group from Wesleyan University. Please contact either Florence Boring or Marie Taylor if you can help with transportation.

Rockingly yours,

Howard Taylor

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SPECIAL MEETING PROGRAM:

Our presentation of the "Monster Dig" will be at the next meeting, July 27 - 7:30 at our club rooms. Mr. Gene Eno and Mrs. Norman Engelhart will give the program, which will be enjoyed by all, and especially to our guests of the Wesleyan Group.

Marie J. Carveth, Program Chairman

## DID YOU KNOW - - - -

A wonderful day was enjoyed by all attending our recent field trip to the Fremont, Nebr. area. After a bountiful feast at the City Park there, Virg Carveth led the caravan of cars to the Lincoln Sand and Gravel area where we found many interesting specimens such as petrified woods, jaspers, common opal, as well as fossils. Our own United States were well represented, as well as the Philippine Islands, with guest from New York State to California and many in between. Our guests were our newly found friends attending the summer seminar at Wesleyan College, and a wonderful group. Thanks to Mrs. Boring for her efforts in making the arrangements to have these people join us, and thank you also to those who furnished transportation. Over sixty-five in attendance, and I must add my personal comment, our famous Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club hospitality prevailed again!

A steady flow of friends and relatives came calling at the home of Mrs. Lona Simmons at 927 North 30th Street on Sunday afternoon to wish Marjie Heedick and Norman Engelhart a Happy Birthday. These two, cousins, were lucky enough to have their big day the same day! Could we say they are twins?

Dorothy Engelhart is recuperating nicely from her recent fall.

Helena Baegl is planning to take in the "Big Show" down San Antone way. From all reports it is just great!

Mrs. Lange, please take a bow! Dr. reports you caught a beautiful big salmon on your recent trip to Seattle, Washington to visit your children. Both Dr. & Mrs. Lange report a wonderful vacation into the Northwest.

Tom Simmons showed our visiting Nuns of the Wesleyan Group, a wonderful evening at his rock shop recently. Their beaming faces showed they enjoyed your hospitality very much Tom.

Marie and Lynn Wells spent the 4th of July week-end visiting their son John who is receiving extensive medical attention at the Naval Hospital in Chicago. John was badly injured in an accident recently and we all hope for his constant and steady improvement.

Mrs. Phyllis Parks son, Michael Crawford, and family are visiting here in Lincoln from Washington, D. C. We know Phyllis and Jim as well as Linda and the great-grandparents are enjoying the two little girls age 4 and 6 months.

Someone mentioned our Fort Robinson trip in September the other day. It is coming up fast isn't it? We are looking forward to the annual President's Field Trip into that part of Nebraska which we all love.

Late birthday wishes to Jerry Kohn II who recently had his "21st."

Marie and Virgil Carveth are expecting her nephew soon from the Veitnamese area, namely the Gulf of Tonkin. The young man is serving aboard the aircraft carrier The U. S. S. Ticonderoga.

We shall be looking forward to complete reports from the George McGinnis family on their recent trip to Florida and the reunion with grandchildren, as well as a big report from Susan, Norma and Phyllis regarding the field trip to Lander, Wyoming. Any other interesting trips would be welcome news also.

Until next time -

Marie J. Carveth

FROM YOUR SHOW CHAIRMAN:

Show time is closer than you think. Now is the time to be working on your own displays. You say you do not have a case? The club has extras. Contact me and we will arrange same for you. Line up with the committee of your choice. Any one of them can use help. There is still a lot of work to be done. That auditorium basement is a mighty large place. We need your help. This is a club project, be a working member.

Many nice things have been arranged for this show. Our committee heads are doing a good job of bringing you the best possible. From where I sit it looks like a great show, with your help we can make it even better.

More appointments: Norma Miller School tickets  
Marie Carveth Decorations

Details of some of the arrangements at the special July meeting.

Larry Rupert, show chairman

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DEALERS FOR 1968 -- 10th ANNUAL SHOW

Hillside Rock Shop, Omaha, Nebr.

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Hutsell's Rock Shop, Blue Springs, Missouri

Henshaw's Rock Shop, Waynesville, N. C.

K & R Rock Shop, Olathe, Kansas

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CONGRATULATIONS!! Our best wishes for continued success go to Stan Miller, eldest son of Perry and Norma Miller, who receives his MBA from the University of Nebraska on Tuesday evening, July 16. Stan has accepted a position with 3M in Minnesota and will be moving there very shortly. Congratulations should go to Norma also as we know she is very proud of this achievement.

## COMMON POISONOUS PLANTS (Part III of 3 parts)

Even though most parents warn their children concerning the dangers of mistaking toadstools for mushrooms and eating them, death still occurs from these familiar fungi. From the woods also comes the death camas, which resemble the wild onion but contains a poisonous alkaloid.

One of the most dangerous plants known to man is the poison hemlock. It is found in the woods of wet areas in this country. It is misleading because it looks like parsley. Ingestion can cause much pain and sometimes paralysis that eventually results in death.

Some of the flowers that are commonly grown in our gardens contain toxins able to produce serious and sometimes fatal illness. The blossoms of the tiger lilies, the seeds of the larkspur, or delphinium, and the leaves and flowers of the lily-of-the-valley have all proven fatal.

Accurate accounts of poisonings from common plants are difficult to obtain. However, the U. S. Public Health Service reports that about 12,000 children ingest potentially poisonous plants each year. Not all plants are deadly, but they can produce severe illness and death in accordance with the amount eaten and the victim's general health.

Nancy Hanks Lincoln, mother of Abraham Lincoln, died of "milk sickness." This disease was contracted by drinking the milk of cows that fed on snakeroot, which, in turn, contained a toxic substance-tremetol. Livestock that fed on snakeroot contracted the "trembles" and died, but not before their owners drank the infected milk. In Lincoln's day, milk sickness was regarded as a plague and could depopulate an entire settlement.

More recently, a Cleveland housewife appeared in the emergency room of a general hospital. She could not swallow and could hardly speak; her mouth and tongue were painfully swollen. While tending her house plants, she had bitten off a piece of stalk from a beautiful specimen with striped leaves, the Dieffenbachia plant. She had immediately spat out the burning pulp and juices, but still her pain was so severe that the doctors had to give her powerful drugs for relief. Her recovery required a week with drugs and a diet of liquids and baby food. This house plant, the Dieffenbachia, is also called dumb cane and mother-in-law plant. The stalk contains calcium oxalate, which causes burns similar to those of caustic soda. Children are attracted to pretty berries, seeds, and sweet-scented flowers. They should be taught not to put strange or unknown objects in their mouths. If you suspect plant poisoning in anyone, call the doctor immediately. Some larger cities have Poison Control Centers that you may call also.

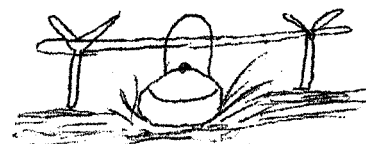
-from Health, published by Am. Osteo. Assn.  
submitted by Shirley Nicholson for  
NEWSLETTER-Evansville

(Our thanks to THE EARTH SCIENCE NEWS, official publication of the Earth Science Club of Northern Illinois. With the summer months and growing season in full swing, we felt this an appropriate article to reprint.nm)

## MORE QUICK 'N EASY "CAMP COOKIN'"

A delicious spaghetti dinner can easily be had while camping. Simply crumble 1½ lbs. hamburger meat in a large skillet. Add 1 bell pepper and 1 onion, chopped. Cook until meat is done. Add a large can of Franco-American spaghetti, ½ can of water, and simmer 5 or 10 minutes. Nothing better for a QUICK CAMP MEAL.

-from GEM TIMES, publication of Las Vegas Gem Club



## AND THEN THERE'S THIS TIP ---

If the meal calls for good old Southern cornbread, and your camper is not equipped with an oven, mix corn bread as usual, decreasing the milk so that the meal will form a patty, and fry. Onion (chopped) can be added for variety.

From the MESSABI MEDIA comes this recipe for PANU KAKUA

6 eggs	2½ cups milk
1/3 cup sugar	1 tsp. vanilla
3/4 cup flour	Butter size of an egg

Put eggs into a large bowl and beat until fluffy; add sugar and flour, continue beating while adding milk slowly. Add vanilla. Melt butter in 12x16" pan. Roll around to coat bottom and sides of pan. Pour remaining butter into batter and pour batter into pan. Bake at 450 degrees for 30 minutes.

QUICK PICK-UP?? Beef Jerky makes a good 'in-between' snack while out rockhunting. It is small, tasty, and will keep indefinitely.

DAFFYNITION...Camper: a guy who pays a stiff fee for the same sort of uncomfortable accommodations he griped about in the army.

WARNING!!! The Arizona Fish and Game Department has issued the following warning: Wild animals can die if they eat discarded negatives from Polaroid cameras. You are urged to dispose of negatives in some other manner than throwing them away where ever you are.

-from THE CONTACT ZONE, Snohomish, Washington

TODAY IS THE TOMORROW I WORRIED ABOUT YESTERDAY!! mjc

Very appropriately sent on the day when our club typewriter picked to have an F key stuck in the repeat position and the only machine we could get on loan was with this smaller type. Might I add my appreciation to United Typewriter for their very gracious help in this situation. This is a very fine Smith-Corona 250 with electric return even, so it is a pleasure to be using it. pnp



From  
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NOTICE: SPECIAL MEETING Saturday, July 27th, 1968, NOW Meeting Hall-Details inside.

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SAVE GENERAL MILLS COUPONS - Worth one-half cent for scholarship.

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UNITED WE STAND - Motto of Ellis W. Courter, 1968 IMF President

AUGUST 22-23-24-25, 1968 - THE AMERICAN-NATIONAL ROCK SHOW to be held in conjunction with the IMF Convention at Normal Illinois State University Campus

EVENTS CALENDAR

- Aug. 3 & 4 Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club Rock Swap, Scout Camp, 1st & Van Dorn
- Aug. 17-18 Northwest Nebraska Rock Show, Crawford, NB
- Aug. 31-Sept. 2 Nebraska Mineral & Gem Club Show, Omaha, NB.
- Aug. 31-Sept. 2 Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club "President's Field Trip" camping at Fort Robinson, NB.
- Sept. 13-15 Nebraska State Rock Fair, Lincoln County Fairgrounds, North Platte, NB.
- Sept. 28-29 Lincoln Gem & Mineral Club 10th Annual Show, Pershing Auditorium Lincoln, Nebraska

BE SURE TO ATTEND SEVERAL OF THE BIG SHOWS !!!

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