

Tramp (hobo) described

Planting Shelter Belts

Rabbit Dirves

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## Court House News

Sheriff Gossett was called to the school house in the Zimmert neighborhood Saturday in answer to a complaint of a wild man in the neighborhood. He found a tramp, who was so unkempt and dirty that he looked like a wild man. He had dug a hole in the ground in the midst of some Russian thistles and had spent the night there. He was cooking some soup when the sheriff arrived. He was making the soup from some bones that he had picked up. He had a sack containing other bones and a skunk. He said he planned to skin and eat the skunk. The sheriff brought him to the court house where he was sentenced to take a bath, given clean clothes and told to be on his way.

County Assessor Ott has received a ruling from the state tax commission in regard to livestock from other counties that were in this county on pasture on the first day of March. The livestock will be assessed in the county where the livestock is located on March first but where the county clerk of the county where the owner lives requests that the assessment be transferred to his county, the transfer must be made. Mr. Ott has already received several requests for transfer of assessments.

Mrs. Allison reports that the new rehabilitation program is receiving an enthusiastic reception from farmers. Miss Green and V. E. Burnett, who have charge of the program in Edwards and Pawnee counties are kept busy interviewing those wishing to operate under this program.

The bonds to be issued to take care of the deficit in the county poor fund will be purchased by the Home State bank of Lewis.

A call for CCC boys will be made April 1st. The number to go from this county is not known.

## Take Moving Pictures Of Tree Planting

Moving pictures of the first planting of trees in the shelter belt in Kansas were taken on the Edwards ranch southwest of Kinsley by a Paramount news reel camera man Sunday afternoon. Mr. Edwards, the camera man, had obtained a hundred seedlings from the nursery at McPherson that is supplying seedlings for the government and these were planted as part of the demonstration. It was planned to make the picture on a twenty acre tract Alvin Froetschner has leased to the government for trees but the land was not ready so the scene was moved to the Edwards ranch, farmed by Froetschner Bros on a strip of listed land.

Kinsley Chamber of Commerce officials were shown opening the package of the first trees to be planted and giving them to the men who did the planting. Close-up pictures were taken of Mr. Froetschner planting one of the trees. Mr. Edwards had obtained instructions on how the trees would be planted and pictures were taken of six men planting the trees as they will be planted by the government men.

"The pictures will be shown to fifty million people who see the news reels," Mr. Edwards says. As part of the picture he has taken scenes where the soil has piled up over fences and other scenes showing damage done by wind erosion.

## Rabbit Drive Sunday

A rabbit drive will be held south of Kinsley Sunday afternoon commencing at 1:30 o'clock. The round-up will be on the Will Brown place, nine miles south and two miles west of Kinsley. The territory to be covered borders on the sand hills and there will be lots of jacks.

A drive will be held at the Will Ploger place, three miles north of S. S. Peter and Paul church on Wednesday, March 20th.

## This and That

Mrs. Mat Havas won the sixty dollar purse at the Palace theatre Tuesday evening.

May Williams Ward, of Wellington formerly of Belpre, will give a poetry recital in Wichita on April 26th.

County Health Officer Dr. Dargatz reports that the measles epidemic has abated considerably in Kinsley but more cases are reported in the east part of the county.

Mrs. Reginald Strait has been invited to appear on a musical program to be given in Hutchinson on the 20th of April. Mrs. Strait's musical work is very popular here, her recent rental sponsored by the P. E. O. drawing a full house.

Dr. Stoltenberg says the rabbit drives being held remind him of the hunting trips the sportsmen in Iowa used to take after jack rabbits. They would go to Nebraska for the sport of hunting jacks as they were not found in Iowa and would bring back jack rabbit meat to their friends as prize meat.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Miller have received word from Rev. and Mrs. L. L. Graham that they were called to Canada by the death of Mrs. Graham's father, who passed away recently at Newmarket, Ontario, Canada. Rev. Graham returned to their home at Arkansas City last Friday and Mrs. Graham remained for a visit with her mother.

Alvin Froetschner, who participated in the moving pictures that were taken of the tree planting for the shelter belt, will plant twenty-five acres as part of the shelter belt. Mr. Froetschner already has two thousand trees on his farm. He had one of the largest orchards in the county until a few years ago when most of the trees died.

Mrs. Joe Bishop and Mrs. John

## PLAN EXTRA BIG RABBIT DRIVE FOR MARCH 24

LEWIS LIONS CLUB AND KINSLEY C. OF C. CO-OPERATING TO PUT ON DRIVE

A big rabbit drive has been scheduled for Sunday, March 24th, to be held south of 50S between Kinsley and Lewis. Arrangements for the drive are being made by the Lewis Lions Club and the Kinsley Chamber of Commerce. Mox Mielke of Lewis has been appointed captain of the drive.

The drive will take in twenty-five sections. The round-up will be on the farm occupied by Albert Wilkerson. The net will be placed at the corner south of the house and there will be a parking place arranged in the field across the road south. The drive will start at two o'clock.

Eight hundred men are needed to hold the lines when the drive starts.

### GET 500 RABBITS

About five hundred rabbits were killed at the rabbit drive held south of Kinsley Sunday afternoon. Shortage of men on the lines when the drive started let many jacks escape. Two hundred were killed in the net and about three hundred in the wings and in the lines.

### STEALS MERCHANDISE FROM G. & W. STORE

Lawrence "Jocko" Kimbrough, c., was arrested by Sheriff Gossett Saturday charged with stealing merchandise from the Goddard & Williamson drug store. Armed with a search warrant the sheriff searched the Walker home where "Jocko" lives while he was at the basket ball game. He found a beer case filled with merchandise hid in the attic and numerous articles in Jocko's room.