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Going choring

A not too common means of transportation is used by Mike Knowles of Melrose to transport his twin sons around the farm. Carrying each in a five-gallon bucket, Knowles found it to be a convenient way to take his sons with him while doing chores on the farm. The method of transportation was devised when the twins were younger and were unable to wade through the mud to accompany Dad. The Knowles family is featured this month in 'Family Farming' in today's Albia Union-Republican.

Campaign to stop multiflora rose to start here

Farmers in Monroe County will soon be joining their neighbors across the state in a "Kill the Rose" campaign aimed at controlling the spread of multiflora rose, according to county supervisor, Raymond Vance. Multiflora rose is a noxious weed which has spread across Iowa pastures and woodlands for the last 50 years. The "Kill the Rose" campaign seeks to stop the prolific weed from spreading, first, then aims at returning infested pastures to grass production.

A survey is being conducted to assess the total acres in Monroe County that are infested. Farmers are encouraged to cooperate and return these surveys to the extension office.

Stan Steenhoek is chairman of the Monroe County Committee of the Iowa Multiflora Rose Technical Committee (IMRTC), a group representing a number of government agencies, agricultural associations and private industry. This committee is spearheading the "Kill the Rose" campaign.

The committee will meet next Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Farm Bureau office in Albia

Grant wins state award

H. Roger Grant, son of Mrs. Tom Dearing, 510 S. Main St. recently won the 1984 Trustee's Award of the State Historical Society of Iowa for writing the best article in "The Palimpsest," Iowa's popular history magazine, for 1983. Grant's prize-winning essay, "The Railroad Station Agent in Small-Town Iowa," appeared in the May/June 1983 issue.

Quasquicentennial to feature juried arts, crafts fair

ALBIA—The Albia Quasquicentennial Committee and the Albia Arts Council will be sponsoring a juried art and craft fair during the town's 125th anniversary celebration, Sept. 1-3.

The Quasquicentennial Arts Fair will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 2 on the Albia square. The arts fair jury will be accepting only original work from artists. A total of \$500 in prizes will be awarded by well-known area artist and art instructor, Richard Dutton, head of the art department at Indian Hills Community College in Ottumwa.

Artists entering the show must send two color slides or photographs of their work along with a \$15 application fee and a self-addressed stamped envelope to

Variety show will highlight Saturday night Quasqui activities

What promises to be the biggest and best variety show ever will be performed Saturday, Sept. 1 as the featured entertainment Saturday during Albia's Quasquicentennial celebration. The celebration of Albia's 125th birthday will be held Saturday, Sunday and Monday, Sept. 1-3.

The variety show, entitled "Quasqui Follies", will be performed at 7 and 9 p.m. at the Barbary Coast Opera House. The show is being directed by

the Albia jury by Wednesday, Aug. 15. Artists not accepted will have their slides or photographs plus application fee returned.

In case of inclement weather, the show will be held in the Monroe County Courthouse, located on the square. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 2. Sales will be encouraged with no commission taken. Artists are to provide their own display props and tables will be made available.

For an application form and an arts fair information sheet, artists should contact David Paxton, Albia Newspapers, Albia, Ia. 52531 tel. (515) 932-7121 or Dan Walker, Barbary Coast Opera House, Albia, Ia 52531, tel. (515) 932-5511.

Dan Walker. Acts will be selected on a tryout basis, with the top 15 acts chosen to perform.

Variety show tryouts will be Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 8 and 9 Rehearsal for the show will be held Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 22-23.

"We're encouraging people to start putting their acts together now," said Walker. "We want this show to be an evening of very good entertainment and we feel sure that there are people in this area talented enough to put on a great show."

Campbell Ambulance receives \$17,280 subsidy

The Albia City Council Monday night approved a subsidy of \$17,280 for 1984-85 for the Monroe County Ambulance Service.

It represents \$4.13 per capita for the year and will be paid in quarterly installments of \$4,320 beginning Oct. 1.

Les Campbell, owner and operator of the ambulance service, presented a financial report to the council for the past four months which showed a deficit of \$14,100. He said that the figures did not include \$1,200 for a light bar, \$4,000 for radio equipment and that he has also ordered a \$30,000 ambulance.

Campbell projected a deficit of \$42,300 for the next year of operation. He is scheduled to meet with the Monroe County

Board of Supervisors at 9 a.m. Friday concerning subsidy from the county.

The council members approved resolutions to initiate action on special assessments for a planned 39-block paving project.

The city clerk will send letters to all affected property owners notifying them of their costs for the paving. A public hearing will be held Aug. 8 in the courtroom of the Monroe County courthouse. Persons at that time will be asked to voice their comments for or against the project.

Following the public hearing, the council will vote on whether or not to proceed with the paving.

In other business, the council—Appointed Jean Hepburn and John Schoolen to two-year

terms on the Albia Low Rent Housing Agency

—Approved a resolution setting salaries for appointed officers and employees of the city for the 1984-85 fiscal year and authorized publication of the resolution

—Tabled action on a place for target practice

—Adopted a depository resolution designating Peoples National Bank and Trust Co. and First Iowa State Bank as official depositories.

—Approved a pay request of Tyer Bros. Construction for work completed on the Monroe County Activity Center

—And authorized the mayor to investigate the possibility of authorizing no parking on South A Street.

Sheriff seeks man still missing

The Monroe County sheriff's department is seeking assistance in locating Harry Dennis Milligan, 20, of Avery.

Milligan, who was last seen between 3 and 3:30 a.m. Sunday morning, was operating a red 1977 Pontiac Gran Prix with Iowa license plate number EI-J244. He is described as a white male, six feet tall weighing 160 pounds with blue eyes and brown hair.

Milligan was last seen traveling north on Main Street in Albia early Sunday morning and was believed en route to his family home in Avery.

Anyone with information concerning Milligan's possible whereabouts or with information of any type which may be of assistance is asked to contact the sheriff at 932-7815 or the Milligan family at 932-7541.

Eddyville lands trucking terminal

Will Schippers, chairman of the Eddyville Area Development Committee, announced that the McCoy Group, Inc. of Shullsburg, Wis. will locate a trucking terminal in Eddyville. A McCoy Group subsidiary, Foodliner, Inc. will be the primary carrier for Cargill's Eddyville plant.

They are also carrier for Cargill's Cedar Rapids and Memphis plants. The terminal will consist of a truckwashing and maintenance facility in addition to offices. They will erect a 70' by 120' steel frame building on the site.

The McCoy Group, a 33-year-old company, contemplates offering additional services to the trucking industry on the site at a later date. The current plans are

to start construction by Aug. 6, and be operational by Dec. 1.

The McCoy Group intends to invest an estimated \$2,400,000 in the operation and employ approximately 30 people. It is the company's desire to hire all local employees if possible. The company will announce at a later date the procedures for making applications for employment.

The company's intent to locate in Eddyville is contingent upon approval of an Iowa Community Development loan which will be used to construct a sewage treatment facility and other services necessary to meet the company's needs. The terminal will be located on a seven acre site at the intersection of Iowa Highways 23 and 137.

Toughest task is relating what they have learned

By DAVE PAXTON

J.P.G. Abeykone (Abbey) viewed rolling southern Iowa hills, lush with growing soybeans, knee-high corn, and waving fields of alfalfa, and had to wonder how this all related to what he was trying to do in Sri Lanka.

Nuryati Atmaja (Nuri), Abbey's sidekick, toured the Monroe County Extension office, saw employees visiting with farmers and 4-H'ers on the telephone, looked at mimeograph machines preparing informational sheets to be mailed out and listened to Gary Peterson as he described how he uses the local newspaper and radio station to dispense information and she too had to wonder how it all fit in. How she could use what she was learning in her native country of Indonesia.

The two were taking part in a six-week ag communication course sponsored by the Area Extension Service located in Ottumwa. The purpose of the course was for Abbey and Nuri to learn how Extension works in the United States, how Extension communicates with farmers and other people who use the service and take the information back to their countries to improve communication there.

However, the task for Abbey, who is an Assistant Director of Agriculture in Sri Lanka, an island nation to the south of India, and Nuri, a staff member in the Social Action Division of the Institute for Development Studies in Indonesia, a country made up of 13,000 islands in the South Pacific, will not be easy.

"We really can't relate to the farming practices," said Abbey, who owns a masters in agriculture. "We grow rice as a staple and tea, rubber, coconuts, cinnamon, pepper, cloves and other spices for export. The average size of our farms are about one acre. This is very much unlike your farming. Our main purpose is to learn new communication techni-



Abbey, Gary Peterson and Nuri

ques," he added.

But even that is no simple task. Sri Lanka has no national system of telephones, no local radio and television and only one national newspaper. What's more, while Monroe County Extension Director Peterson has around 900 farmers to work with, Abbey has 100,000 farmers in his district.

Want to boggle your mind even more? Abbey's 100,000 farmers live in an area one-quarter the size of Monroe County.

For Nuri, who has a degree in agronomy from Bajor Agriculture University in Indonesia

and a masters in communication from Iowa State University, the problems of communication are even greater.

Agriculture in Indonesia is on a similar level as that of Sri Lanka, but Indonesia 150-million people are spread throughout 3,000 inhabited islands. Although most of the people live on the island of Java, a total of 350 languages are spoken, not including dialects.

The country is ruled by a

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