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Verdigre **Murder Trial** Postponed For Mental **Evaluation**

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CENTER, Neb. — The murder trial of a Verdigre, Nebraska, man charged in his wife's death has been rescheduled for July to allow the defendant's mental

evaluation. Phillip Michael Privett, 66, has pleaded not guilty to first-degree murder and felony weapons charges in the shooting death of 66-year-old Linda Privett, his wife of 44 years. The shooting oc-curred last October at their Verdigre home.

The defendant faces a life sentence if convicted on the murder charge.

Phillip Privett gave notice of intent to rely on an insanity defense during a hearing Tuesday in Knox County District Court, according to Knox County Attorney John Thomas.

Dr. Y. Scott Moore, a psychiatrist from Lincoln, Nebraska, was appointed to examine the defendant for that purpose, Thomas added.

Tuesday's hearing was held at the Knox County Courthouse in Center, Nebraska.

The trial, scheduled to begin next Monday, has been continued until July 6 at the courthouse in Center, Thomas said. A pre-trial conference has been scheduled for March 24.

Phillip Privett previously

Sharing The Good Word



Ternes Shares Process Of Creating Bible On **Display At MMC**

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Tim Ternes told a Bible story Tuesday night quite unlike any other in history.

Then again, he was using a Bible unlike almost anything in history.

Ternes, director of The Saint John's Bible project from Collegeville, Minnesota, took the audience on the journey surrounding the historic - and life-sized -Bible during his interactive Benedictine Lecture at Mount Marty College.

For a year, MMC is hosting two sets of the seven-volume Saint John's Bible heritage edition. Only 299 exist in the world, and 100 are already sold.

'Thank you for being a home to this Bible," Ternes told the packed Marian Auditorium crowd.

Each volume measures two feet high by three feet wide when open. The complete set took more than a decade to complete and marks the first Bible to be commissioned by a Benedictine





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Daugaard's Transportation Plan Denied By House

BY BOB MERCER State Capitol Bureau

PIERRE — The state House of Representatives will work on the Senate version of a massive package of additional funding for highways



waived his preliminary hearing in Knox County Court and was bound over to district court. The first-degree murder

charge has been filed as a Class 1A felony, which carries a sentence of life imprisonment,

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Tim Ternes, director of the St. John's Bible project describes the painstaking process to create the book during Tuesday's Benedictine lecture at Mount Marty College. After the lecture, the audience could view the Bible. Two sets of the seven volume work are on display this year on the college. To arrange a viewing, contact Benedictine Institute director Andy Hendrickson.

monastery in 500 years. The Saint John's Bible contains handmade inks, hand-ground pigments and gold leaf on calfskin vellum.

"This Bible will still be here hundreds of years from now, longer than many buildings, Ternes said.

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rather than use the governor's plan. The money would be for state, county and township repairs and im-

provements.

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The proposal is based on a combination of plans.

House members were up against deadlines Tuesday and Wednesday for legislation to be handled by committees and then the full chamber. The Senate passed its more-limited version of a plan two weeks ago.

The House State Affairs Committee held a special meeting Tuesday to hear its final pieces of House-sponsored legislation including the governor's proposal.

Rep. Roger Solum, R-Watertown, asked the committee to kill what remained of the governor's plan after the amendments made last week. He was supported 13-0.

I'm not certain if we have answers to many, many of the questions asked today. I'm totally uncomfortable," Solum said.

He suggested waiting for the Senate version of the legislation and putting some of the governor's proposal into it.

House Democratic leader Spencer Hawley of Brookings agreed with Solum's position. "I like getting down to one bill instead of passing two bills,'

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These fifth-graders from Beadle Elementary School use boomwhackers to provide some percussive kick to the debut performance of "Beadle School Song" during a concert Tuesday night at the YHS/Summit Activities Center theatre. The song, which was composed by Beadle's fifth-grade class, was the centerpiece of the program "Meet the Composers," which featured songs about various classical composers ranging from Mozart to Beethoven. The program was presented by grades 4-5.

Yankton Church Seeks Growth Under A New Name

BY JORDYNNE HART

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A church's name reflects on its vision. For Yankton's Peace Presbyterian Church, changing its name to Peace Church will reflect a policy that has always been with the church.

"People of all faiths are welcome," church member Veronica Trezona said. That has always been our policy, and that will continue to be our policy. We just want our name to reflect that."

Members of the church voted to change the name to Peace Church at the annual meeting held Feb. 15.

"We had quite a discussion before we decided on the name change," Trezona said. "Some thought it ought to be called Peace Community Church, but that was too long. We wanted to make it easy. It was quite a discussion before we voted."

Twelve people voted at the meeting. The decision was unanimous amongst the voters.

The new name also reflects our



KELLY HERTZ/ P&D Peace Presbyterian Church changed its name to Peace Church after a unanimous vote by the congregation. The church hopes the name change will welcome people from all faiths to their Sunday services.

mission," Peace Church Rev. Jennifer Swier said in a press release. "The people of this congregation are loving and welcoming. Members accept everyone. The mission of Peace Church is: "We,

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