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## Plattsmouth is Well Represented at Scout Court

Local Boys Receive Goodly Share of Honor Awards at Nehawka—Louisville Next Host.

From Thursday's Daily

Nehawka was host last night to the bi-monthly Court of Honor of Arbor Lodge district, Boy Scouts of America, comprising Nemaha, Otoe and Cass counties. The attendance was not as large as had been anticipated, but there were Scouts present from four of the towns of the district. Nehawka people turned out in fine shape for the event and the auditorium was well filled with spectators. Aside from the host town, Plattsmouth furnished by far the largest number of Scouts slated for advancement, having one first class and two Star Scout awards and five individual Scouts receiving from one to three merit badges each.

Although not having Scouts there for advancement, Louisville was represented at the meeting by four of the members of its Scout committee.

Dr. G. L. Taylor, advancement director of the Plattsmouth troop, being absent in the east, was unable to preside over the meeting as planned and this duty fell to E. H. Westcott, long active in local Scouting circles.

The meeting opened with a program put on by the Nehawka troop, under direction of Scoutmaster E. L. Stimbart, which proved very interesting. The theme of this program was "A Full Day's Work in Scouting" and included the activities of a well regulated Scout troop from reveille until taps. Motion pictures were also shown of last year's Lincoln Scout Circus, which the Arbor Lodge district plans to put on next spring on a slightly smaller scale.

At the close of the Court, a meeting of the adult Scouters present was held to decide on the town that will be host to the January court and Louisville was unanimously chosen.

Raymond Larson, Scoutmaster and J. R. Reeder and Francis Libershal, assistant Scoutmasters, together with John Rishel, senior patrol leader were among the troop officials present, as well as Stephen Davis, junior assistant Scoutmaster, who was among the Scouts from here receiving merit awards.

Cars were provided by Mr. Reeder, S. S. Davis and Lottie Rosencrans.

### List of Awards

Second Class Scouts—Oscar Brandt, Ellis Schlichtemeier, Robert Wunderlich and Marion Hoback, all of the Nehawka troop. Awards presented by E. H. Westcott, of Plattsmouth.

First Class Scouts—Burton Rishel, Plattsmouth; Norman Flau, Nebraska City; Jack Wunderlich, Dean Nutzman and Wesley Stone, Nehawka. Awards presented by Walter J. Wunderlich, of Nehawka.

Star Scouts—Billy Rosencrans and Bob Taylor, both of Plattsmouth. Awards presented by S. S. Davis, of Plattsmouth.

Eagle Scout—Wilson McLain, of Tecumseh. Award presented by H. L. McLain, his father.

Eagle Gold Palm—Burnell Adams, of Nehawka. Award presented by Charles Adams, his father.

### MERIT BADGES

Plattsmouth—James Sandin, First Aid to Animals; Robert Woest, First Aid to Animals; Billy Evers, First Aid, Bird Study and Public Health; Billy Rosencrans, First Aid and First Aid to Animals; Stephen Davis, Cooking and Scholarship. Badges presented by A. H. Pyle.

Nehawka—Jack Wunderlich, Personal Health; Dean Nutzman, Personal Health; LaVerne Steffens, Civics, Animal Industry, Dairying and Music; Billy Pierce, Animal Industry, Public Health, Civics and Automobileing; Burnell Adams, Journalism. Badges presented by J. H. Steffens, of Nehawka.

Nebraska City—Virgil I. Pitstick, Jr., First Aid, Life Saving and Swimming. Badges presented by W. B. Arnold, of Louisville.

From Thursday's Daily  
Attorney Carl D. Ganz, of Alvo, was in the city today for a few hours looking after some matters in the county and district courts as well as visiting with his friends.

## ATTEND GRADUATION

From Thursday's Daily  
Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Janda departed this morning for Omaha where they are to attend a graduation exercise being held at Technical high school. Among the members of the class is Jack Christian, a nephew of Mrs. Janda and who when a small boy made his home in this city.

## Jury Holds P. A. McCrary on Weapon Charge

Acquitted on Charges of Shooting With Intent to Kill and Wound—Jury Out Six Hours.

From Thursday's Daily

The jury that was given the case of the State of Nebraska vs. P. A. McCrary, returned their verdict last night at 8 o'clock, freeing the defendant of two counts, that of shooting with intent to kill and to wound, but holding him on the third count of carrying concealed weapons.

The defendant had pleaded self-defense to the shooting charges after he claimed he was struck over the head by a poker in the hands of his stepson, Richard Edwards.

The defense attorneys will move for a new trial in the case on the charge on which Mr. McCrary was convicted and which carries a penalty of up to two years in the state penitentiary. Sentence will not be pronounced until the hearing is had on the motion for a new trial.

## FUNERAL OF J. H. TAMS

The funeral of J. H. Tams was held on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Sattler funeral home at Fourth and Vine streets, a large number of the old time friends and neighbors from this community as well as friends from Omaha being in attendance.

The Rev. G. A. Pahl, pastor of the St. Paul's Evangelical church of which Mr. Tams had been a member in the fifty years of his residence here, conducted the services. Rev. Pahl gave to the bereaved family words of comfort and hope in the lessons of the scriptures as well as paying tribute to the long and useful life of the departed.

During the services two vocal duets were given by Mrs. Hal Garnett and Frank A. Cloldt, "Face to Face I Shall Behold Him" and "Have Thine Own Way Lord." Mrs. O. C. Hudson served as the accompanist.

The interment was at Oak Hill cemetery beside that of the wife who preceded him in death a number of years ago.

The surviving relatives are Mrs. Fred Reznor of Omaha, Mrs. Henry Karstens of Wall Lake, Iowa, a son, John Tams of Omaha and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Grapengraser, Omaha and Mrs. John Newman of Denison, Ia.

## MANY ATTEND MEETING

A large number of the members of the St. Luke's parish of the Episcopal church were at Nebraska City Wednesday afternoon and evening to attend the missionary conference that was held for the various parishes in this portion of Nebraska.

The chief speaker of the evening was Bishop Bentley, of Alaska, one of the leaders in the missionary field of the church, who is making a tour through the central west.

There were speakers from Omaha, Fremont, and Nebraska City in the clergy and lay members to discuss the missionary work and as well showing of work from the Japanese, Alaska and North Carolina mission schools was shown and viewed with the greatest of interest by the attendants at the meeting.

The meetings were held at the St. Mary's church and where also a luncheon was served late in the afternoon.

## SNOW IN THE EAST

From Thursday's Daily  
Snowfall was plentiful in Iowa and Illinois last night, train No. 11 over the Burlington, arriving here this morning at 8:01 with snow covering the tops of the coaches. The train had driven through the snowfall the greater part of the night, it was reported.

## James Bajeck Found Dead at Home Today

Ill With Flu Several Days, Found Dead by Brother—Was a Spanish War Vet.

From Friday's Daily

James Bajeck, 56, Spanish War veteran and well known in this city, was found dead this morning at his home on North Eighth street, where for several years he had made his home alone.

Mr. Bajeck had been suffering with an attack of the flu, but was thought to be improving and when his physician visited there early this morning the patient seemed to be doing as well as possible and after giving him treatment the physician had departed. Later in the morning Anton Bajeck, a younger brother had gone to the home to visit the brother and was shocked to find on arrival at the home that the brother had passed away, suffering a sudden heart attack apparently after the visit of the physician.

The deceased was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Bajeck, Sr., being born and reared in this community and where he spent the greater part of his lifetime. He enlisted in the First Nebraska in the Spanish-American war and served in the Philippine war as well, later enlisting in the regular army, serving a long period of years in the service. In late years he returned to the old home and had resided here since.

He was never married and is survived by three brothers and two sisters, Michael, John and Anton Bajeck, Mrs. Charles Gradoville, all of this city, and Mrs. Mary Rys of Havelock.

The body is at the Straight funeral home to await arrangements for the funeral services.

## PARENT-TEACHER MEETING

From Friday's Daily  
The Parent-Teacher association of St. John's parochial school held its regular monthly meeting last evening at the school building, with a large attendance. At the business session, numerous reports were heard and plans made for the holding of a big Christmas program with Santa Claus on hand to give out toys and candies to all the children on the Friday afternoon before Christmas. Due to insufficient funds now on hand to meet the Christmas program expense, a benefit card party will be held Thursday evening, December 6th, at the John Bergmann home, with proceeds all to go for this worthy cause.

At the conclusion of the business session a short program was given, consisting of a one act play by boys of the eighth grade, Jimmie Webb, Leo Hiskett, Jimmie Sandin, Theodore Libershal, Stuart Sedlak and Elmore Brink. Also a reading, "The Frost is on the Pumpkin," by Donald Otterstein, and a group recitation, "We Thank Thee," by Denis Hiskett, Matthew Sedlak and Bernard Kubicka.

Following the program, refreshments were served by the committee.

## SCENT A MYSTERY

From Saturday's Daily  
Considerable excitement was created last evening on North Ninth street when a hat was discovered floating on the surface of the water in a well on the John Bates property.

The well is used by a number of families and as water was being drawn from the well a man's hat appeared and caused the residents there to fear that someone had been murdered or fallen into the well.

Sheriff Sylvester and Deputy Sheriff Walling were notified and grab hooks secured with which to search the well. After several hours of work there was no trace of a body discovered and it is supposed that the hat fell from the head of someone drawing water from the well.

## LOUISVILLE VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. August Pautsch and Mr. Ernest Pautsch and daughter, Lydia, were in the city Saturday from Louisville to visit with friends and looking after some business matters for a short time.

## RECEIVES SAD NEWS

From Thursday's Daily  
W. F. Nolte of Mynard received the sad news this morning of the death of his father, August Nolte, at Bristol, South Dakota. Mr. Nolte has been critically ill for some time and the son, W. F., was recently at Bristol to pay him a visit and at that time it was recognized that his recovery was very doubtful. The funeral services will be held at Bristol.

## Death of Mrs. E. M. Stone at Home in Alvo

Message Received Here by Relatives Announces Sad Event—Long Time Resident.

From Thursday's Daily

The message was received here this morning of the death of Mrs. E. M. Stone, 60, of Alvo, who has been in failing health for some time and has gradually failed until death came to her relief.

Mrs. Stone was a daughter of Mrs. Bina Kitzel, the eldest member of the Cook family, prominent throughout Cass county. She was born and reared in this county and where she has lived out her lifetime.

Mrs. Stone is survived by the husband and one son, Lavern, of Portland, Oregon.

The deceased lady is a niece of Mrs. S. O. Cole, Charles E. and Joseph Cook of this city and Mrs. T. W. Valley of Murray.

No definite funeral arrangements have been made as yet, awaiting word from the son in the west.

## INTERESTING DISCUSSION OF BETTER HOUSING PLAN

Tonight at the council chamber in the city hall, three representatives of the Federal Government's Better Housing program in Nebraska, will outline details of the plan and provisions for setting it in operation, before the local Better Housing committee. This committee is composed of some ten public spirited citizens of Plattsmouth who are interested in home modernization and repair solely for the good they believe it will do to the town, and of representatives of various business interests of the city who will reap the benefit of added sales and employment if the plan is put in operation here.

There will also be present representatives of a number of clubs and civic organizations as well as citizens generally who may be interested in the movement, all such being invited to attend.

The men who will be here from the office of the state director, Richard L. Metcalfe, are E. F. Folda, financial advisor, who is well versed in the credit set-up and will make the principal address at the meeting as well as answer all questions which may be asked; James S. Bailey, field assistant, and James Craddock, visomatic operator, who brings picture equipment with which to illustrate the possibilities of home modernization. The meeting will be called at 7:30 sharp, and all those interested are invited to attend.

## HONOR COUNTY CHAIRMAN

Elmer Hallstrom, of Avoca, chairman of the democratic county central committee, during the recent successful campaign, had a very pleasing honor given him in the banquet held at Avoca on Tuesday. The event was arranged by the Avoca citizens as a tribute to Mr. Hallstrom, who in his usual energetic manner carried on the work of the campaign and deserves the highest praise for his work.

## VISIT AT FREMONT

From Thursday's Daily  
Last evening William A. Robertson, grand junior warden of the Nebraska A. F. & A. M., with R. Foster Patterson, L. L. Wiles and Warren Tulene, were at Fremont where they attended the past master's night at the Masonic lodge there. Mr. Patterson was the speaker at the banquet, giving "The Quest for the Master's Word." There were 150 of the Masons present at the meeting.

## Plattsmouth State Obtains Assets of the Farmers Bank

Complete Transfer of All Accounts and Notes to Be Made With No Interruption in Service.

From Saturday's Daily

An announcement of outstanding interest in banking circles of eastern Nebraska as well as in this community was made today that the Plattsmouth State bank has purchased the deposits, time certificates and savings accounts, notes and other property of the Farmers State bank and that on Monday morning, the complete transfer will have been made. Customers of the Farmers State bank will be able to carry on their business at the Plattsmouth State bank immediately without any inconvenience and checks outstanding on accounts in the Farmers bank will be payable at the Plattsmouth State.

Reduction in the number of banks in the state has been going on rapidly in the last few years and it is in keeping with the trend of the times that the present transaction has been made. Such well known business towns as Columbus, Fairbury, Kearney and York are now served by but one banking institution and it has been found that this situation has resulted in an improvement in the handling of the financial interests of the community.

Mr. T. H. Pollock, in retiring from the banking business, will continue to identify himself with his other interests in the community. He has served as president of the Farmers State bank for more than a decade and coming from a pioneer Nebraska family, has long been identified with all phases of Plattsmouth and Cass county community life in a constructive and helpful way.

Mr. Pollock will continue to maintain his office in the Farmers State bank building where he will look after his personal interests, as well as the interests of the depositors of the Farmers State bank who are holding Trustee Certificates.

The Plattsmouth State bank was organized in 1904 and moved to its present location in 1922, the building formerly occupied by the Bank of Cass County. It is recognized as one of the largest and strongest state banks in Nebraska and will be able to provide adequate and sound banking service to the Plattsmouth community.

The present officers of the Plattsmouth State bank are: H. A. Schneider, president; Henry Horn, vice-president; Frank A. Cloldt, cashier and Carl J. Schneider, assistant cashier. Employed also in the bank are Miss Eleanor Hiber and Miss Edna Warren.

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

The Supreme Court having held that Merchants Gift Night was in the form of a lottery because the issuing of the tickets depended upon a purchase, the Business Men's Ad Club of Plattsmouth are changing their plan so as to avoid the objection of the lottery feature. Instead, the Ad Club will continue to make gifts but the gifts will not depend upon purchases. The gifts hereafter will be given to any one who has registered and whose name is selected. The registrations may be made any time in any of the Ad Club stores. The only limitation being that the registration will be confined to one registration each day in each of the stores of the Ad Club members. The registration is free to any one who wishes to register. Wednesday night, November 28th, at 7:30, will be a free gift award based upon registrations made and in at that time. No duplicate awards will be made. If the person is not present to receive the award, the award will be given to another by the same method of selection. Next Wednesday night gifts will be ducks and turkeys. Don't fail to register so that you may participate in these free gifts. You can commence your registration Monday morning at 9 o'clock, at any of said stores.—Business Men's Ad Club.

See the goods you buy. Catalog descriptions are flowery enough, but how about the goods when you get them?

## HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

From Saturday's Daily  
Mrs. J. E. Mason of Lon Beach, California, arrived in the city today and will be a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fitch, Sr. Mrs. Mason is expecting to make an indefinite stay here and will have the pleasure of meeting the many old time friends.

## Platters Play a Great Game at Nebraska City

Otoeans Score 7 to 0 Victory, But Locals Play Their Best Game of the Season.

From Saturday's Daily

The Nebraska City high school football team won 7 to 0 from the Platters at Nebraska City Friday afternoon to check a victory against Plattsmouth for the first time in a long period of years.

The game, while lost, was the best that the Platters have played this season and barring the first period score, the blue and white showed one of the best defensive contests that they have staged.

The Platters kicked off in the opener to the thirty yard line of the Otoeans who were able to make a first down against the locals and then King, flashy back of the City, spun around the end for thirty-five yards and within scoring distance of the Platters. King was able to slip around the end for the needed touchdown and made good the extra point.

After the first period score the game was see-sawed by the teams and the Platters checked any more threats of the Otoeans and in the Plattsmouth offensive Carey was the most outstanding, securing several gains of ten and fifteen yards against the foe.

The work of Joe Case on the defensive was also excellent and the big boy stopped effectively several Nebraska City offensives. For Nebraska City King and Sharpe looked the best.

The game was unusually rough and several players received serious injuries in the last game of the year for both teams. King of Nebraska City was injured shortly after the touchdown and taken to the St. Mary's hospital where it was thought he might have sustained a slight skull fracture. Frank Lepert of the Platters had his nose broken and Howard Hirz, co-captain of the locals had his injured knee again out of place, which will check his athletic work for some time.

## HOLD AGAINST GIFT NIGHT

The state supreme court which has had under consideration for the past several weeks the case in which the matter of the merchant's gift night in this city was under litigation, Friday rendered their decision.

29037 Retail Section, Chamber of Commerce, Plattsmouth vs. Kick-Appel, Cass. Reversed and dismissed. Good, J.

1. General demurrer admits only such facts as are well pleaded, and does not admit mere conclusions of the pleader.

2. In petition for injunctive relief an allegation that plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law is not sufficient. Facts must be alleged from which inadequacy of legal remedy is apparent.

3. A lottery is a scheme for the distribution of prizes by chance, and where the winner must give something of value for the chance.

4. Coupons, good for a drawing by chance of something of value, that are given with the purchase of merchandise constitute a lottery.

## CALLS ON J. B. LARSON

Mr. and Mrs. E. Sundstrom called at the Methodist hospital Sunday to see J. B. Larson, who is recovering from a distressing accident, following which amputation of both his hands was necessary.

They found Mr. Larson suffering greatly at times, but cheerful and glad to see his friends. He is still under the care of a special nurse.

In the evening, Mr. and Mrs. Sundstrom went to hear the evangelist, Miss Uldine Utley at the last one of her sermons at the Optiz garage in Omaha. They enjoyed Miss Utley's remarks and reported a huge crowd attended.—Louisville Courier.

## Pictures Show Need and Value of Home Repair

Audience at City Hall Impressed with Efforts of Government to Bring About Better Housing.

From Friday's Daily

Fifty people of the community were packed into the council chamber last evening for the Better Housing meeting, at which representatives of the state director's office were present to explain the proposition and visualize the need of repair to homes all over the nation if they are to be preserved from disintegration.

The first part of the evening was given to the showing of pictures with accompanied recordings of incidental conversation and music, showing the need of this work and the manner of obtaining funds to pay for it on a three to five year maximum loan basis at the lowest rate of interest ever offered the public on this kind of loans, known as "Character" or "Finance" loans.

At the conclusion of the showing of the pictures, E. F. Folda, financial advisor, who is connected with the office of the state director of Better Housing in Nebraska, spoke briefly, touching particularly on the provisions of Title I of the National Housing Act, which covers the making of this type of loans, and also referring to the provisions of Title II, covering the making of long term loans on new construction, which at present is only available in towns of over 6,000, but is expected to be continued to towns of smaller size as rapidly as the set-up can be completed. This latter is entirely separate from the modernization and repair program, however, which is available to towns and villages over the nation, regardless of size, and to the farmers, with seasonal instead of monthly payments.

Mr. Folda stressed particularly that the government is not loaning any of the money, either for this type of work or for the new construction work provided for in Title II, but is making guarantee agreements with financial institutions protecting them against loss in the case of borrowers who fail to meet their payments, by taking over their notes and reimbursing lending institutions their full loss up to a maximum of 20 per cent of their gross loanings under the guarantee. "All that is necessary," he said, "after diligent effort has been made to collect a note, is to forward the papers to Washington for reimbursement." He also pointed out that lending institutions are not obligated to accept loans applied for by any and all applicants, but continue to use the same discretionary prerogatives as if they were taking the loans unguaranteed. The government guarantee is provided at no extra expense either to the lender or borrower, solely in the interest of loosening credits and enabling home owners with income at least five times their monthly payment obligations to modernize and repair their homes now while prices of material and labor are still comparatively low, spreading the payments over a period of time long enough so as not to cause undue hardship on the borrower.

He stated the State Banking Board is now co-operating with the movement and its examiners are directed not to question the worth of these government guaranteed notes, removing an obstacle that has heretofore impeded progress in Better Housing in Nebraska, and that the number of co-operating banks in the state has doubled and trebled since this restriction has been lifted.

In the case of Building and Loan associations making such loans, under the state law, it is necessary that they take mortgages on the property, but otherwise the same guarantee provisions prevail.

Following his discussion of the subject, Mr. Folda answered questions and James S. Bailey, field assistant, spoke briefly on the increased value of properties that are repaired, remodeled or modernized. James Craddock operated the visomatic machine, showing "before" and "after" scenes and the steps incident to securing a loan.

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