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### NOTICE TO STOCKHOLDERS

Notice is hereby given to all stockholders of the Plattsmouth Loan & Building Association, that the regular annual stockholders meeting will be held on Monday evening, January 7, 1935, for the purpose of electing three directors and such other business as may come before the meeting. The meeting will be held at the office of the association in the Brown Jewelry Store, Plattsmouth, Neb., at 8 o'clock p. m.

C. A. JOHNSON, President.  
E. P. LUTZ, Secretary.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dashner of Glenwood were in the city over the New Year visiting at the home of Mrs. Dashner's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alois Smetana.

Every penny spent for advertising will yield a big return.

### KILLED WHEN HIT BY TRUCK

Omaha.—On his way to a show, clutching a dime, his New Years treat, Martin King Watanabe, 9, was fatally injured by a truck Monday night at 19th and California sts. The boy died in an ambulance which was taking him to a hospital.

Ervin Doman said the boy darted into the path of his truck from between two parked cars. Ferne Louise Watanabe, 6, a sister of Martin, the only other known witness of the accident, was too hysterical to tell a coherent story.

The father, Joseph Watanabe, is a FERA worker. Besides the parents, three brothers and sisters survive.

The L. R. Feller family drove down from Omaha last evening for a New Year's visit at the Elmer Webb home here.

### SEEKING HIDDEN MILLIONS

Paris.—Search for the late Alexandre Stavinsky's "hidden millions" brought new arrests in the year old scandal. Revelation that expenses of Stavinsky's children were being met by a former friend of the suicide swindler put police on the trail of where the funds were coming from. Charles Pellissier, banker and real estate dealer, was arrested at Casablanca, Morocco, while a second man known as Popp was arrested in Paris. Pellissier will be questioned regarding the apartment he rents from Mme. Stavinsky. Popp had a mysterious agency in a villa rented from Madame Davin, mother of Guy Davin, who now is confined on Devil's Island for killing the American, Richard Wall, in 1932. Madame Davin sued Popp for failure to pay his rent.

### GETS TVA POWER FRIDAY

Pulaski, Tenn.—Pulaski on Friday will become the first Tennessee city to use the cheap electrical power offered by the Tennessee valley authority.

A switch will connect Pulaski's city power plant with a high voltage line from Athens, Ala., at 4 p. m. on that day, and the event will be treated as a ceremony by city authorities.

The announcement was made by Mayor Rockley, who said he has been assured by A. O. Waldrop, consulting engineer of the TVA, that construction of the thirty-four mile transmission line to Athens will be completed by that time. The power will come from Wilson dam by way of the Alabama city.

### ALLOTS HIGHWAY FUNDS

Washington.—Secretary Wallace apportioned 125 million dollars of federal funds to aid states in highway construction during the fiscal year beginning next July 1. The funds will be used under the Hayden-Cartwright act for joint cooperation by states and the federal government. States must match federal funds with an identical amount. The federal government pays its share when given proof of completed work. Apportionments included:

Iowa, \$3,231,173; Kansas, \$3,317,954; Missouri, \$3,800,856; Nebraska, \$2,581,663; South Dakota, \$2,036,775.

### WILL WAR ON BOOTLEGGERS

Washington.—Bootlegging in the national capital was estimated at nearly the pre-repeal volume by Justice James M. Proctor, of the District of Columbia supreme court. He made the remark in warning liquor violators of heavy sentences in the future.

"I am going to treat these cases more seriously," Justice Proctor announced from the bench, "because we are getting the same thing we had before repeal of the prohibition amendment. There is no excuse for bootlegging now and this makes the offense all the more serious."

### PARISIANS TOTTER AROUND

Paris.—Parisians, with their heads aching from one of the wildest New Year's eve celebrations of the depression days, tottered about the city exchanging their traditional calls and gifts.

Friends called on each other; the national cabinet called on President LeDun; President LeDun called on parliament; everybody drank everybody's health in champagne.

There were, for example, eight ex-merry-makers in a hospital with scroached hands and a score of their friends scared out of a year's growth by a fire in a cafe.

### FIRE AT CARPENTER TANKS

Scottsbluff, Neb.—A fire before noon Friday, the third this month in the refinery operated by Congressman Carpenter, threatened the lower section of Scottsbluff, including Carpenter's new \$50,000 grocery store and meat market.

Firemen said the blaze started when oil from a tank ran over into a fire pit. Fire Chief Dixon said a disastrous explosion might have resulted if the engineer had not cut off the oil supply from tanks containing several hundred gallons of crude oil, as soon as the fire started.

### GIVES UP AND CONFESSES

Kankakee, Ill.—Bought since the discovery by police of his wife's body, strangled with an electric cord, Walter J. Hartz of Chicago surrendered to Kankakee police.

Hartz walked into the Kankakee police station. "I killed my wife last Saturday night," he said. "I want to take my medicine."

Phone the news to No. 6.

## Will Press Bonus Claim of Veterans

Commander of American Legion Aligns with V. F. W. Against President Roosevelt.

Washington, Jan. 1.—Unshaken by President Roosevelt's stand against the bonus, veterans' organizations today aligned their forces for a finish struggle in the new congress. The powerful political influence of the American Legion was pitted against that of the White House today by its national commander, Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., who said the legion would continue to press its claim for payment.

Asserting President Roosevelt's letter opposing the bonus contained strong argument for immediate payment Belgrano said he felt certain congress would approve the legion's bonus program. Mr. Roosevelt's feelings on the issue were made public yesterday.

Favorable Vote Sure. Belgrano's statement followed that of James E. Van Zandt, national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who said the issue would be settled by congress.

Meanwhile, democratic congressional leaders conceded the cash bonus bill would pass both branches. In what form and whether over a presidential veto, they said remained in doubt.

Reiterating his wish for speedy house action on the bonus, Representative Joseph W. Byrns of Tennessee, who will be speaker, today said:

"Everybody knows the bill will pass the house, because there is no opposition to it. Whether it will pass over a veto, I don't know."

Byrns said, however, that if the bonus "passed," the administration would insist that some additional taxes be imposed to take care of "the big outlay."

### Senate "Only Hope."

A high ranking democratic senator, who declined to be quoted, said the only hope Mr. Roosevelt had to defeat the bonus "is that the senate will sustain a veto." He added he believed the house would override the president's disapproval.

Referring to the president's view the bonus "issue is misunderstood," Commander Belgrano said:

"In it, I believe he has presented one of the strongest arguments in favor of the immediate payment of the adjusted service certificates I have yet read when he pointed out 50 per cent of the face value of the certificates in 1931, was used to discharge their debts and that it is only reasonable to suppose that the same results would be obtained today, when the balance due is paid."

### Says Recovery Help.

The legion chief said veterans would use the bonus money to pay grocery and rent bills and that the money "would quickly find its way into every channel of business and trade, and would be distributed equally and automatically throughout the country."

"The American Legion," he said "will present its clear cut mandate of the Miami convention, recommending immediate cash payment of these certificates, with cancellation of interest accrued and refund of interest paid, to congress within the next few days and I feel certain that recommendation will be accepted and adopted."

### DIVISION IN RANKS OF D. A. R.

Washington.—Already divided over the new deal, the Daughters of the American Revolution may see the rift in their organization accentuated at a forthcoming election in which Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt is an issue. Mrs. William A. Becker, a candidate for president general of the D. A. R., has praised a book which listed Mrs. Roosevelt and a number of other high officials in the Roosevelt administration as radical sympathizers. But Mrs. Flora Myers Gillentine, opposition candidate to Mrs. Becker, has informed Washington members of the patriotic organization that she would "support the president of the United States to the last ditch."

Only this week Mrs. Roosevelt quietly but emphatically denied some of the statements made about her in the publication which bears the endorsement of Mrs. Becker upon its jacket. The president was given no listing in the book where there were assertions that he had "nullified" the Monroe doctrine and other criticisms.

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### NINE INJURED IN A WRECK

Monticello, Miss.—Nine persons were injured and scores of others were shaken up when the south-bound thru passenger train of the Gulf, Mobile & Northern, carrying approximately 100 passengers, left the rails near here. The train, carrying what railroad officials said was its largest load of passengers in recent months, had just crossed a thirty foot trestle and was slowing down to coast into Monticello when the wreck happened.

First aid was administered to the injured at the Monticello railroad station. The more seriously hurt persons were taken to hospitals.

### CANADA OPENS ARGUMENTS

Washington.—Canada set about proving it is entitled to damages of \$386,000 for the sinking of the run runner, I'm Alone, by an American coast guard cutter. The United States completed presentation of its argument that the boat was owned by a New York run ring, before the American-Canadian judicial commission.

Late in the day John Read, Canadian agent, undertook to show the vessel was the property of the Eugene Creaser Shipping company, Ltd., a Canadian corporation.

### TAKE REQUISITION PAPERS

Columbia, Mo.—Officers planned to leave immediately for Mandan, N. D., to present requisition papers for custody of George McKeever, 33, charged with first degree murder in connection with the slaying of two officers here, June 14, 1933.

McKeever, who is serving a ten year sentence in the North Dakota state penitentiary for robbery, was implicated as a participant in the killings in a written confession of Francis McNeely, 23 year old farm hand of Allerton, Ia.

### WILL REPLY TO PRESIDENT

Henderson, Tex.—Garland P. Farmer, commander of the Henderson American Legion post, said probably he will reply to the letter in which President Roosevelt gave his reasons for opposing immediate payment of veterans' certificates. Farmer said he will not make his answer public, but if the president cares to do so the Henderson legionnaire has no objections. Farmer said he was discharged from the army several months after he enlisted because he was underweight.

### AIRPLANE DROPS IN IDAHO

Payette, Ida.—A New Year's plane crash a mile north of here exacted the lives of two airmen, Delwin Sweet, 27, of Payette, and Cecil Graul, 35, who came here recently from Portland, Ore.

Airmen who witnessed the crash from the Payette landing field said the engine stalled as the pilot was making a vertical bank and the craft crashed from an altitude of about 100 feet.

### SUE 152 FOR BACK TAXES

Wahoo.—County Attorney Worrall and Attorneys Schlesselbein and Donato on behalf of Saunders county Monday filed the most extensive case ever filed in district court here. It consists of forty-eight causes of action and 152 defendants, all residents of Valparaiso. The action was brought to foreclose tax liens for non-payment of taxes over a period of years.

### RUSSIANS TAKE OWN LIVES

Warsaw.—Passengers arriving on trains from Moscow and Leningrad said suicides there in the last two weeks during the investigation of the assassination of Sergei Kiroff had totaled more than 400. Trains which ordinarily arrive nearly empty have been crowded recently with foreign travelers.

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## Elmwood News

Marion McCrorey was looking after some business matters in Alvo on New Year's day.

Rev. Ernest F. Baker, pastor of the Christian church, was a business visitor in Weeping Water last Monday.

Mrs. George L. Brinton who has been seriously ill for some time, was reported slightly improved the first of this week.

Earl Bailey, who is teaching school south of Lincoln, is spending his vacation at the home of his parents in Elmwood.

Miss Ruby Bliss who is attending school at Lincoln was enjoying New Year's at the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Bliss.

James Hayes, who has been conducting the cream station in the Tyson building, is adding a line of groceries to his shelves in the building.

Dr. J. A. Dering and family of Onawa, Iowa, who have been visiting the past few days here as well as at Weeping Water, departed for their home in Iowa Tuesday.

Miss Lucille Buessing who is employed at the Farmers Creamery in Elmwood was a visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Nelson of Alvo for over New Year's.

Marion McCrorey and family were guests for the day Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Wilcox where all enjoyed a very fine dinner and celebrated the beginning of the year.

Mrs. Herman Pennerman and son were called to Ralston near South Omaha on account of the very severe illness of a brother-in-law of the folks here. They drove over Tuesday.

Frances and James Bliss, son and daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Bliss, who are students in Wesleyan University at Lincoln, are spending the holidays at the home of their parents in Elmwood.

Miss Frances Bakemeier of Ord, where she is a teacher in the schools of that vicinity is visiting for the holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bakemeier.

Henry Thimgan who has been so ill that he was compelled to keep to his bed for the past week, is so far improved that he is able to be out and about town again, but is not feeling the very best.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Clements were over to Omaha and Council Bluffs on New Year's day. Guy was attending the meeting of attorneys at Omaha and Mrs. Clements was visiting with friends in Council Bluffs.

Miss Jean Malone, teacher of the schools of Elmwood some years ago, but more recently instructor in the schools at Rock Springs, Wyo., was spending the holidays in Elmwood and was guest for dinner on New Year's day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles West. Miss Catherine West who is employed in the Hardy Drug store at Lincoln was also home for New Year's day and enjoyed dinner with the parents and the remainder of the family.

Kept to His Bed. Fred Wilkin who was engaged in making some repairs at the home of Guy Clements, accidentally stepped in a hole in the basement of the home and sustained a fractured leg. The injury was so serious that the member was placed in a cast and will have to remain there for a number of weeks.

To Hold Annual Meeting. On the coming Lord's day the members of the Christian church and the Bible school will hold their annual meeting at the church where the annual reports will be received. Election of officers for the church and Bible school also will be held.

Will Give Playlet. The young people, sponsored by their pastor, Louis Wilson, of the Congregational church of Weeping Water, will give a playlet at the Christian church on January 13th. The playlet was produced at Weeping Water and proved an excellent piece of entertainment. All who are interested are invited to attend.

Men's Club Meeting. The Men's club of the Elmwood Christian church will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Engleking on Friday of this week.

Will Conduct School. An interdenominational school of instruction for teachers of Bible schools has been arranged which is to be held for three successive weeks at the parlors of the Congregational church. The school will be opened on February 12th-13th, two days that week and again on Monday and Tuesday, February 19th and 20th and the third week, February 26-27. The instructors are Rev. Ernest F. Baker, pastor of the Elmwood Christian church as dean; Louis Wilson,

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pastor of the Weeping Water Congregational church as an instructor; Fred W. Hall, pastor of the Avoca Congregational church and Miss Helen Rose, assistant superintendent of the Methodist church at Nehawka.

Married in Lincoln. Last Monday, the first of the year at Lincoln, Miss Grace Frolich, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Frolich, residing west of Elmwood and Mr. Vernon Bennet, residing in the vicinity of Alvo, were united in marriage. They did not tell their folks about the wedding until after it was over, but then they did go home to receive the blessings which were gladly given, for the young folks did not fool the parents, as they were expecting the event.

Eat Oysters, Play Pinochle. Yes, that is just what they did, and also they had a very fine time, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Stege's on the last night in the year. For they played and ate until the old year had faded away. Those who were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stege for the occasion were Wm. Schick and family, Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Nickles and Mr. Albert Alford.

Visiting in Iowa. Mrs. Frank Schlictemeier who has been at the hospital in Lincoln where she was receiving treatment for her health, feeling better, has left Lincoln and gone to West Bend, Iowa, where she is visiting for a few weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary Cook.

All Visiting at Home. The teachers of the Elmwood schools during the holidays are enjoying visits with the home folks and getting the most out of the holiday vacation so as to come back to school refreshed for the new school term. Miss Horrigan at Louisville; Miss Hartman at Lincoln and Miss Coleman at Greenwood.

TWO OMAHA MEXICANS KILLED. Omaha.—Two Mexicans, Francisco Riaz and "Big Joe" Cirella, full name undetermined, were shot to death Tuesday afternoon in a shack near the Franklin street city dump. Both men had been struck by the full charges from a 12-gauge shotgun fired thru a door.

Two persons living near the dump told police they heard shots about midnight which they believed were fired by New Year celebrants. Police said the two victims apparently had thrown their bodies against the door to keep out their assailant, who then shot thru the door.

The men salvaged salable articles from the dump for a living. The bodies were discovered by Alacandra Hernandez, who called at the shack to borrow a can of tomatoes.

DISTELHURST HOME IS SOLD. Nashville, Tenn.—An aftermath to Nashville's most tragic child murder has been recorded in county records as a real estate transfer. Alfred E. Distelhurst, sr., has sold his home to Edgar Parker for \$4,750.

It is the home toward which Dorothy Ann Distelhurst, 6, was walking from school Sept. 19 when she disappeared. Her body was found six weeks later buried in a shallow grave on the grounds of the county tuberculosis hospital. Her slayer has not been apprehended. "I want to get away from here," the father said after selling the home. "I just know I can't stand it here in this house any longer."

FATAL FALL FROM HEIGHT. Buffalo, N. Y.—Robert O. Patton, 51, fell to his death from the sixth floor of a hotel. When smoke from an elevator shaft fire seeped into his room, where a New Year's party was in progress, police investigators reported, Patton made his way to a ledge outside a window. He lost his balance and fell to an alley as he tried to jump to an adjoining ledge.

Grace Vinney, 25, one of the party of six, accompanied Patton along the ledge and was successful in making the jump. The others in the party remained in the room.