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New Kind of 'Sneak Day' for 1938 Graduates

Seniors Leave Early This Morning for Cutting at Horkey's Park at Crete, Nebraska.

From Thursday's Daily—
The Senior class of Plattsmouth High school is absent in toto today. The elaborate preparations and the wide publicity connected with the plans of the Seniors tend to make the name "Sneak Day" quite absurd. At least it's "Senior Day" and the Seniors are enjoying a big picnic and camping trip near Crete. By camping is meant that they are preparing their own meals. Instead of buying one meal "ready made" in a "foreign city," the Seniors purchased \$25 worth of groceries and paper plates here in Plattsmouth. These purchases and the preparation of the two meals, breakfast at 7:00 a. m. and the noon lunch, were all in the hands of Senior committees. Each student was charged 25 cents for the two meals. The transportation to Crete and the row-boat and cabin rental at Horkey's Park are paid for from Senior play money.

Rowing, motor boating, soft ball, horseshoes and eating are some of the major sports indulged in by the absent Seniors. The presence of Coach Boggs as life guard insures safety on the water. A prize is to be awarded to the best boy and the best girl boat rower.

Fifteen Car Loads

Most of the cars left Plattsmouth this morning before 5 o'clock. The list of drivers, chaperons and students in the fifteen cars making the trip is as follows:

Car No. 1—John Clويد, driver; Walter Smith, chaperon. Seniors—John Urish, Harley Minniear, Raymond Wooster and Chas. Stastka.

Car No. 2—Clarence Cuthrell, driver; Ray Hill, chaperon. Seniors—Robert Meisinger, Beryl Shandholz, Dale Long and Virgil Urish.

Car No. 3—Joe Capwell, driver and chaperon. Seniors—Twila Fay Hendrix, Laura Mrasek, Margaret Anne Valley, Shirley Keck and Mary Alice Shiffer.

Car No. 4—Mrs. Pete Carr, driver and chaperon. Seniors—Irene Anthes, Winifred Kaffenberger, Hazel Payton, Cecilia Lepert, Florence Wiles and Mary Eileen Kaufman.

Car No. 5—August Clويد, driver and chaperon. Seniors—Pat Clويد, Beatrice Ann, Clara Toman, Shirley Seiver and Jane Rebal.

Car No. 6—Chester Foster, driver; Marion Borkenhagen, chaperon. Seniors—Mary Gayer, Robert Woest and Joan Hall.

Car No. 7—Leonard Holoubek, driver; Mrs. Milo Price, chaperon. Seniors—Melvin Hishes, Marie Hughes, Alice Campbell and Kathryn Grosshans.

Car No. 8—Jean Knorr, driver; Mrs. Daw Armstrong, chaperon. Seniors—Dorothy Ruffner, Iola Rosenkrantz, Mae Capper and Marie Thomason.

Car No. 9—Dick Hall, driver; H. C. Boggs, chaperon. Seniors—Ben McCarty, Joy Miller and Robert Ramge.

Car No. 10—Ed Ofe, driver and chaperon. Seniors—Leonard West and Glen Carlburg, Gavin Farmer, Eleanor Minor and Frances Clويد.

Car No. 11—John Palmer, driver; Don Cramer, chaperon. Seniors—Burton Rishel, Warren Lillie, Joe Kvaivil and Joe Chovanec.

Car No. 12—Richard Cole, driver; Milo Price, chaperon. Seniors—Flora Belle Mead, Dale Wohlfarth, Marion Olson and Caroline Ramei.

Car No. 13—Robert Gilmour, driver; Carl Schneider, chaperon. Seniors—Robert Kiser, James Iske and Junior Sell.

Car No. 14—Margaret Ann Pitz, driver; Mrs. H. C. Boggs, chaperon. Seniors—Betty Voboril, Frances McCarty, Frances Minniear and Eileen Case.

Car No. 15—Bob Jacobs, driver and chaperon. Seniors—Dorothy Kief, Clara Seal, Ruth Miller, Fannie Austin and Mary Altschaff.

The drivers who are not chaperons are also Seniors.

These cars are all to return to Plattsmouth by 6 p. m. unless the chaperon in any car wishes to assume the entire responsibility for that car after 6 p. m. As far as the school is concerned the Senior Day program does not extend into the evening. All Seniors and all chaperons have written statements to this effect.

Marion Borkenhagen was elected "Sneak Day" sponsor by the Senior

class. Milo Price has been the full time sponsor.

In taking this "different" kind of a trip, the Seniors felt they would derive as much benefit as from an exploration trip in one of the larger cities, trailing one another through industrial plants. It will be a day of outdoor adventure, at a well chosen site, for there is no more beautiful spot within a radius of many miles than Horkey's park at Crete.

New County Agent Visits Civic Body

Chamber of Commerce Has Interesting Talk From J. M. Quackenbush, the New Agent.

The Chamber of Commerce had a very interesting meeting Thursday at which J. M. Quackenbush, new county agent, was a guest and the principal speaker of the occasion. The civic body also had as guests Rev. Robert Salmon, acting pastor of the St. John's church and E. C. Goehring, who is here looking after some work at the filtration plant of the Plattsmouth Water corporation. Both responded briefly to the greetings of the chamber.

Mr. Goehring is a chemical engineer of Beaver Falls, Pa., engaged with the west interests.

Mr. Quackenbush gave a clear cut and fine outline of the setup of the agricultural program of the University of Nebraska with the extension department and the county farm bureaus which have proven so successful over the state. He expressed the desire for co-operation with the towns and communities over the county and give them any possible aid that lay within the power of his organization. He praised the work of the county fair and the King Korn Carnival as outstanding features of the Cass county activities. Mr. Quackenbush also spoke of the importance of the 4-H club work to the communities and urged a greater interest in all sections in this work of the young people. The county agent pointed out that the grass-hopper poison now was available to the farmers at forty cents a sack, with headquarters for the distribution at Nehawka.

President Davis of the Chamber of Commerce has requested the secretary to convey to Joseph H. McMaken the greetings of the group and well wishes for his speedy recovery, Mr. McMaken having long been a very active figure in the civic body.

ATTEND NAVAL CEREMONY

Mr. and Mrs. Fred I. Rea and sons, Robert and John and James G. Maury, returned Thursday evening from Chicago where they attended the graduating at the Great Lakes, Illinois, training station.

Richard W. Rea, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rea, was one of the graduates of the training station and was selected as Honor Man of his company of 100 seamen, a very high honor and which was given in recognition of his proficiency in drill and instruction, boats, signaling, rifle range, seamanship, swimming and various athletic events. He has had twelve weeks of training and it was a very fine tribute to his ability in receiving the recognition.

Rear Admiral Hazen Ellis, commandant of the training station, was in charge of the program of the day which embraced the dress parade of the seamen and the award of the citations, among which was that of Mr. Rea.

Richard accompanied his parents back to Plattsmouth and will spend his leave here. On his return to the training station he will be assigned to active duty and will probably be sent to the west coast to the Pacific fleet.

TO SPEAK AT SYRACUSE

Superintendent L. S. Devoe of the Plattsmouth city schools, has been invited to deliver the Memorial Day address at Syracuse on Monday, May 30th at 2 p. m. The services will be in charge of the American Legion post and Father E. C. McFadden, well known here, is the chairman of the Memorial Day committee.

High School Has Its Honor Convocation

Large Group of Students in All Departments Are Honored With Special Awards.

From Saturday's Daily—
The annual honor convocation was held yesterday afternoon in the high school auditorium to honor the students in the various departments of the school for the school year which is rapidly drawing to a close.

J. R. Reeder, principal of the high school presided at the convocation.

Teachers in the different departments presented the certificates to their groups. The sponsors presented the citizenship certificates to their classes.

The awards were as follows:

The athletic awards were presented by Coach Boggs.

Football—Joy Miller, Ben McCarty, Ronald Rebal, Ray Wooster, Warren Reed, Joe York, Allan White, L. Holoubek, Harley Minniear, Junior Sell, Chas. Stastka, Bernard Jackson, B. Steinkamp, J. Jones, Stephen Devoe, Carter Minor, H. Shiffer.

Basketball—Ray Wooster, Joy Miller, Ben McCarty, Robert Hayes, Warren Reed, Ronald Rebal, John Jacobs.

Track—Warren Reed, Ronald Rebal, John Jacobs, Bill Armstrong, Joe York, Allan White, Carter Minor.

Commercial certificates were presented to the following students by Miss Borkenhagen:

Shirley Seiver, Marion Olson, Irene Anthes, Joe Kvaivil, Frances McCarty, Betty Voboril, Hazel Payton.

County typing contest ribbons; district and state typing awards; bookkeeping certificates were presented by Mr. Reeder.

County typing contest: Shirley Seiver received a ribbon for placing second in the one minute championship event, writing 64.2 words per minute.

Hazel Payton also received a ribbon for placing fourth in the one minute championship event, writing 63.1 words per minute.

Mary Gayer ranked second in the ten-minute novice event, writing 43.8 words per minute for ten minutes, also received a ribbon.

Janet Westover also received a ribbon for placing fourth in the ten-minute novice event, writing 42.8 words per minute for ten minutes.

Shirley Seiver placed third in the ten minute championship event, writing 59.2 words per minute for ten minutes, also received a ribbon.

Irene Anthes also received a ribbon for placing fourth in the ten minute championship test, writing 51.2 words per minute for ten minutes.

The novice team composed of Janet Westover, Flora Belle Mead, and Mary Gayer placed first, writing an average of 44.8 words per minute.

The championship team composed of Marion Olson, Shirley Seiver, and Hazel Payton placed first, writing an average of 49.1 words per minute.

District and state typing contest: The novice team composed of Janet Westover, Mary Gayer, and Flora Belle Mead placed first in the district contest and second in the state. Certificates were received for these honors and will be placed in the school trophy case.

For placing first in the district ten minute novice event, Janet Westover received a very handsome medal. Miss Westover wrote an average of 59 words per minute for ten minutes.

Bookkeeping certificate: A certificate of proficiency was awarded to Chester Foster for his outstanding work in bookkeeping.

The freshman citizenship certificates were awarded to the following freshmen by Miss Ray: Joe Noble, Rosalyn Mark, Betty Jo Libershal, Albin Chovanec and Ruth Westover.

The sophomore citizenship certificates were presented to the following sophomores by Miss Whalen: Wilma Swatek, Darlene Hennings, Corrine Drucker, Keith Broman, Glen Lutz, and Harley Cottingham.

The junior citizenship certificates were presented by Mr. Gerner to the following juniors: Maxine Nielsen, John Livingston, John Tibball, Mary Louise Walton, Janet Westover, John Bestor, Harriett Case, Alice Grosshans.

The senior citizenship certificates were presented by Mr. Price to the following seniors: Robert Woest, Flora Belle Mead, Marion Olson, Dick Hall, Jean Knorr, Joan Hall, Betty Voboril, Burton Rishel, Chester Foster, Eleanor Minor, Kathryn Grosshans, Neil Lancaster.

The debate team placed second in the district debate tournament and received awards. The members of the team were Harriett Case, Robert Woest and John Bestor.

The N-plaque was presented to the school and N-plans were presented to the individual letter men who helped to earn the N-plaque, which

is presented to the school from the University of Nebraska, by Mr. Reeder. The following letter men of P. H. S. for the school year 1936-37 received N-plans: Dale Bowman, William Carey, Wayne Falk, Jack Forbes, John Gay, Robert Hayes, Joy Miller, Ronald Rebal, Warren Reed, Max Seitz, Earl Taylor, Robert Valery, Allan White and Ben McCarty.

The National Honor Society certificates were presented by Superintendent L. S. Devoe to the following: Robert Woest, Betty Voboril, Marion Olson, Frances Clويد, Flora Belle Mead, Jean Knorr, Dick Hall, Eleanor Minor, Neil Lancaster, Chester Foster, and Joan Hall.

Music Awards—1937-38

Legend: O—Orchestra; B—Band; M—Mixed Glee club; G—Girls Glee club; X—Boys Glee club; Q—Male Quartette.

The music awards were presented by Mr. Meyers to the following members of the musical organizations:

M. Allen, E. B. Ann, M. G. M. A. Ault, G. H. Baker, B. H. Barkus, O. M. G.; K. Barkus, B. M. G.; J. Barton, X; F. Bieri, G; B. Burcham, M. G.; A. Campbell, M. G.; F. Clويد, G; P. Clويد, M. G.; R. Cole, O. B. M. X. Q.; H. Cottingham, X; S. Devoe, B. M. X.; M. H. Dill, M. G.; M. Dirshel, G; C. Drucker, G; J. Elliott, X; G. Farmer, B; E. Giles, O. B. M. G.; J. Griffin, M. G.; K. Grosshans, G; F. Hadraba, M. G.; D. Hall, O. Q; B. Halmes, G; R. A. Hatt, M. G.; H. Hayes, O; T. F. Hendrix, G; H. Hitt, M. G.; E. Hiber, B; R. Hitt, B. M. X.; W. Hitt, B; D. Holoubek, M. G.; L. Hubbell, G; J. Jacobs, O. B. M. X. Q.; S. Jacobs, G; R. Johnson, B; H. Kelley, M. G.; E. Kennedy, G; R. Kiser, O. B. M. X.; B. Knorr, M. X.; J. Knorr, M. G.; S. Lamberson, X; M. Lentz, M. G.; S. Leonard, O. B. M. X.; W. Leonard, G; E. Lester, T. Libershal, O. B. G.; S. Lepert, B; D. Long, M. X.; R. Mark, M. G.; S. Mason, M. G.; J. Mauzy, X; C. Mayabb, X; M. McCarroll, G; F. Mead, O. M. G.; J. Miller, M. X.; C. Minor, B. X.; E. Minor, M. G.; D. Nearhood, B; J. Noble, B; K. Nolte, G; A. Persinger, X; J. Persinger, M. G.; S. Peterson, M. G.; J. Phillips, X; A. Rea, O. B. Read, G; A. Reed, G; B. Rishel, B; I. Rosenkrantz, O. B.; R. Ruffner, G; D. Ruffner, G; J. Sandin, O. B. M. X.; S. Seiver, M. G.; G. Sigler, B. M. X.; A. Skalak, O. B.; H. Slatsinsky, M. G.; P. Speck G; E. Steppat, X; R. Steppat, M. G.; R. Stava, O. B. M. X.; C. Strickland, B, M. X.; W. Swatek, M. G.; J. Tibball, M. G.; C. Toman, M. G.; V. Toman, G; K. Tschirren, G; D. Ulrich, G; J. Urish, M. X.; V. Urish, X; B. Valley, G; M. Valley, M. G.; B. Voboril, M. G.; S. Walling, M. G.; V. Warner, G; R. Westover, X; J. Wetenkamp, M. G.; A. White, O. B. M. X.; P. Wiles, M. G.; P. Wiles, M. G.; R. Woest, O. B.; D. Wohlfarth, M. X.; R. Wooster, G. B.; J. York, M. X.; A. Zatopek, G.

DEATH OF DARWIN FITZ

From Friday's Daily—
The death of Darwin Fitz, 14, occurred this morning at the St. Joseph hospital at Omaha, where for the past two weeks his condition has been very critical. He had been ill for the past month suffering from a malady resembling that of sleeping sickness and all possible medical aid and skill was unable to check the ravages of the malady.

The young man was a member of the freshman class of the local high school and was very popular with his associates in the school.

He is survived by the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Pitz and one sister, Lydia, all of this city.

The body was brought here to the Sattler funeral home to await the arrangements for the services.

TO FORM ORGANIZATION

An organization meeting of the Cass County Association of the Grain Belt Liberty League of Nebraska will be held Tuesday evening at Elmwood. The meeting will be held in the Community building at Elmwood at 7:30 p. m.

Farmers and landowners of the county are invited to attend this meeting to discuss the corn allotment and other measures of the farm program.

SELECT TEAM MANAGER

Ray Shafer has been selected as the manager of the Merchants baseball team and the members of the team expect to play their initial game on Sunday at Bellevue.

Mr. Shafer is an enthusiastic baseball fan and will make an excellent pilot of the group of young players he has enrolled in the club.

William C. Ramsey Dies of Operation

Prominent Omahan and Former Plattsmouth Man Passes Away Thursday Night.

William Crites Ramsey, 54, prominent Omahan and Nebraska Masonic leader died Thursday night at an Omaha hospital following an operation a few hours earlier.

Mr. Ramsey had gone east recently on a business trip but which was curtailed by illness, forcing his return to Omaha, where he has since been under medical care, an operation being decided on Thursday morning and from which he failed to rally.

Mrs. Ramsey, the former Mary Elizabeth Cook, of Beatrice, was the only member of the family in Omaha at the time of Mr. Ramsey's death. The three children are away at school. William C. Ramsey, Jr., is attending law college at Harvard. Daniel Ramsey is at the Harvard school of business, the daughter, Elizabeth Case Ramsey, is a student at Wellesley college. They are now en route to Omaha.

William Crites Ramsey was born at Plattsmouth, June 19, 1884, son of Judge and Mrs. Basil S. Ramsey, who were early day residents of the community, the father being district judge of the second district from 1897 to 1901. Mr. Ramsey spent his boyhood in Plattsmouth and graduated from the Plattsmouth high school in 1901. He later entered the University of Nebraska and from which he graduated in 1908. Mr. Ramsey on graduating from the University of Nebraska law school, was elected in the fall of the same year to be county attorney of Cass county. His record in the county attorneyship was exceptionally brilliant and in his taking office he was faced with three hard fought murder cases as his initial test in the office. In 1910 Mr. Ramsey located in Omaha and took up the practice of his profession in that city where he has been very successful. He was associated first in the firm of Broome, Ramsey & Crawford. At the time of his death his law partner was Sherman S. Welpton.

HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

From Thursday's Daily—
Fred G. Egenberger, old time resident of this city, arrived this morning from Long Beach, California, and will enjoy a visit here with his brother, L. B. Egenberger and sister, Mrs. Mary Weckbach as well as the many old time friends.

He reports the members of his family as being in the best of health and enjoying life very much on the west coast, Charles and his family being residents at Long Beach and John and family and the daughter, Helen and family living in Los Angeles.

On the way east Mr. Egenberger had a short stop at El Paso, Texas, Oklahoma City and Kansas City.

VISIT OMAHA LODGE

William A. Robertson, grand master of Nebraska Masons, of this city with Henry Carson, of Nebraska City, grand tyler, were in Omaha Wednesday night where they attended the meeting of Covert lodge No. 11, A. F. & A. M.

CALLED ON SAD MISSION

Henry Sander was called to Savannah, Washington, Friday night by the message announcing the death of his brother, Thomas Sander, which occurred yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Sander was a former resident of this community and will be remembered by the older residents. He is survived by the wife and two sons also one daughter.

After the funeral services Henry Sander expects to go to Los Angeles to visit his daughter, Miss Anna, for a short time.

RECOMMEND CREATION OF A RURAL PARK

Proposal to Lease Land of William P. Rice for Nature Trail Center Endorsed.

During the past several months, Clyde Jackson, of the supervisory staff of the Plattsmouth Recreation Service, in charge of nature trail and park projects, has been working diligently on a park project which is rapidly taking form and which, as yet is still in the embryo stage is showing great potentialities of becoming one of the foremost beauty spots of Cass county and also in this part of the state.

At the present time there have been two meetings held at the Recreation Center for the purpose of discussing this project, which were attended by many of the civic leaders of Plattsmouth.

A committee consisting of A. L. Tidd, Elmer Sundstrom, George Farley and Mayor George Lushinsky was appointed at the meeting of May 10, to contact W. P. Rice, owner of the proposed park site, to find out what agreements could be made in securing the land for park purposes, and also to investigate the park site and report on the advisability of improving it for a park.

The report submitted by the committee before the meeting held Thursday, May 19, reads as follows:

We, the undersigned members of the committee to inspect temporary recreational park grounds on the William Rice land, respectfully report that we visited the land and walked over it and submit as our opinion, that if the city government of Plattsmouth or any civic organization of Plattsmouth are willing to take a lease for more than five years at a nominal rental of one dollar a year, and Mr. Rice is willing to lease said lands at said price, that beginning at the stony point on the river road south of the auto bridge, that the hillside sloping to the river as far south as the trees have not been cut out, so that they might furnish shade for the park, and if the Recreation Service will build a stone step trail at the north end of the trip, we recommend that such a recreational project may be undertaken.

This park, upon completion, will be a very appropriate spot for picnics, lunches, and all kinds of outdoor gatherings. It is located near enough to the city of Plattsmouth that nature-lovers will not need any transportation to and from the park and still be in the midst of all kinds of natural beauty.

WEeping WATER HIGH SCHOOL IS IN 50TH YEAR

Alumni Banquet Largely Attended Friday Night by Former Graduates of School, Academy.

Friday night the Pailpot hall at Weeping Water was the scene of a gathering of some 300 of the alumni of the high school to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the high school.

Until 1885 in Weeping Water the education of the child as far as the public school system was concerned ceased with the eighth grade, at that time the Weeping Water academy being established and which served as the means of higher education for several years.

In the year 1888 A. H. Waterhouse later to be the dean of all Nebraska educators came to Weeping Water and to take charge of the school system, at once starting in on the creation of a high school system for the community. It was largely due to his service from 1888 to 1895 that the present efficient school system was launched.

There are but three of the first class of the high school now residing in Weeping Water, they being Mrs. J. R. Shannon, Miss Edith Clizbe and Miss Anna Hubbard.

A very fine program was given and which was participated in by a group of the old grads and in which the spirit of the old days was recalled in the interesting talks.

In the three hundred present there were representatives from seventeen states noted.

One feature of the banquet was special tributes given to the late A. H. Waterhouse by many who were students under him.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wescott and County Commissioner George L. Farley were present from this city, Mrs. Wescott being on the program as a former high school student.

VISIT COUNTY OFFICES

Friday afternoon members of the commercial English class of the high school, of which L. A. Gerner is the teacher, made a visit to the Cass county court house to visit several of the offices to which their studies lent a particular interest.

County Treasurer John E. Turner explained the workings of his office and showed the methods of keeping their books and the records that the county uses in handling the large amount of business of this important office.

In the office of County Judge A. H. Duxbury the class was shown the various legal forms that are used in the handling of the probate matters and as well shown the fine indexing system that is one of the best in the state of Nebraska.

The class derived a great deal of benefit from the visit and which will add much to practical experience in their school work.

JUNIORS WIN GAME

From Friday's Daily—
The juniors evened the count on the combined baseball team from the freshman and sophomore classes, last evening, as they slugged out a 12 to 3 victory. One feature of the game was Hayes' four bagger in the fourth with the sacks loaded. Jacobs and Sedak did the twirling for the winners, allowing but five hits between them, and registering 13 strikeouts. Phillips and Noble were on the mound for the losers.

Score by innings:
Juniors 230 502 0—12
Soph-F 000 001 2—3

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to take this means of expressing our most heartfelt appreciation to the many good friends and neighbors for the many acts of kindness shown our loved one in her illness and for the tender sympathy at the time of bereavement. Also we wish to thank all those who took part in the funeral services and for the floral remembrances.—Broder Ketelsen and Family.

UNDERGOES EYE EXAMINATION

Deputy Sheriff Cass Sylvester was at Omaha Friday where he was given treatment and had an operation on one of his eyes which has been giving him a great deal of trouble. The operation proved very successful and the patient was able to return home but will be under treatment for some time.

Recommend Creation of a Rural Park

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The deceased is survived by his widow as well as the aged father, Jacob Miller of this city, two brothers and four sisters.

The young man was a graduate of the local schools in the class of 1929 and since leaving school has been engaged in different activities in the city. He was a member of the local aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles.

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