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## Red Cross Opens Swimming Classes Today

One Hundred and Sixty-Five are Registered at Noon for Course at Merritt Beach.

From Monday's Daily:

The course of swimming and life-saving lessons sponsored by the American Red Cross was opened today at the Merritt beach north of this city, as per announcement previously made in the Journal.

Up to noon today, there had been 165 of the boys and girls of the community registered at the office of Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans, local secretary, and practically all of these are at the beach today enjoying to the fullest the opportunity that is offered in this course of instruction.

The bank, railroad shops, court house and post office were closed for the day and the employees along with others sought to find a cooler spot in the bathing beaches in this section or in picnic parties at the parks near this city or in Omaha and Lincoln.

The heat for the day mounted to 114, one of the hottest days since the year of 1934 when the west lay under the ban of another great drouth wave.

These swimming instructions are responsible for cutting down the loss of life from drowning by teaching boys and girls to swim and thus be able to care for themselves in the water under any condition.

It is expected that a large number will be enrolled by Tuesday for the big water festival and training program.

## VISITS AT OLD HOME

From Monday's Daily:

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Kaufmann of Seattle, Washington, arrived in the city this morning for a visit at the home of Miss Marie Kaufmann, sister of Mr. Kaufmann, as well as with the many old friends.

## CREATES EXCITEMENT

Saturday evening shortly after 8 o'clock a colored man from Omaha was arrested near Sixth and Main streets following an altercation with a local man and taken to the city jail for investigation.

## RETURNS HOME

From Monday's Daily:

Mrs. Will Dean of Griswold, Iowa, who has been here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hall, returned this morning to her home after a holiday visit.

## HAS SINUS OPERATION

Miss Laura Grassman was operated on Sunday at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha for a serious sinus infection that has bothered for several days past.

## Heat and Quiet Mark the Fourth of July Here

High Heat Record of Year Set as Residents Seek Relief in Beaches and on the Highways.

The Fourth of July, 1936 was one of the most quiet that has been held in many years and aside from the small demonstrations of the more youthful residents there was little to make the day unusual.

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The residents of the community were fortunate in the fact that there was no serious auto crashes that usually mark the day and the only casualty in this section was a drowning near Meadow when Fred Daniels, 35, of Omaha, was drowned while swimming at the north end of the Louisville bridge.

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## HOLD FAMILY REUNION

Saturday, July 4th, friends and relatives met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Elliott and then went to Garfield Park for a family reunion and picnic dinner.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Elliott and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Colby and family, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Elliott and son Frank, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Elliott and daughter, Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Elliott, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bayley and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Elliott and son Keith and Mrs. F. W. Elliott, all of Plattsmouth.

Out of town guests were: Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Thornton, Humboldt, Nebraska; Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Cummings, Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. W. T. Matthews and daughter, Dorella, Denver, Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Beller and son, Frank and Ray, Aurora, Illinois; Mrs. R. E. Elliott and son Howard and friends, Miss Kathelene and Madeyn McCormick, Lincoln, Nebraska; Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Behrens, Louisville, Nebraska; and Miss Helen Lennemann of Omaha.

## YOUNG PEOPLE WEDDED

The marriage of Miss Gertrude Nora Taylor of this city and Mr. Lloyd M. Robinson, of Tekamah, Nebraska, occurred on Friday at the home of Dr. H. G. McClusky, pastor of the First Presbyterian church.

The wedding was very quiet and attended by Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Worthan, close friends of the contracting parties as witnesses to the ceremony.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor of this city where she was born and has grown to womanhood and where she has a large circle of friends. The groom is engaged as a trucker between this city and Tekamah.

## Death of Old Resident of Plattsmouth

Mrs. Augusta Warstat Dies at Home of Daughter, Mrs. Julian McNatt, Early Today.

From Monday's Daily:

This morning at 4:30 at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Julian McNatt, occurred the death of Mrs. Augusta Catherine Warstat, 73, following an illness of some years when she has been ailing, she being bedfast for the past ten weeks, gradually growing weaker until death came to her relief.

Augusta Catherine Matschullat was born November 26, 1862, in Skaisgirren, East Prussia, Germany, where she spent her early years and where in 1888 she was married to Samuel Warstat, they coming to the United States in 1892 and has since largely made her home in this city and where the family has grown to manhood and womanhood. Mr. Warstat preceded his wife in death November 22, 1916. To their marriage there were born eight children, five of whom preceded the mother in death.

The body was taken to the Sattler funeral home to await the final funeral arrangements and the possibility that the son who is himself ill, may attend the services.

## DROP MATCH TO DEWEY AVE.

A team of tennis players representing the local tennis club were decisively defeated by 8 matches to 1 by Dewey avenue.

Sheldon Giles continued his win streak by defeating Thompson, 7-5, 2-6, 6-3.

Matches for the next three Sundays are complete with Falls City coming here July 12, Carter Lake there the 19th and Dewey avenue here July 26th. A tentative match with Highland Park is also being considered.

- Results of other matches were:
- Singles**
- Anderson (D. A.) beat Larson (P.) 7-5, 6-4.
  - Ridley (D. A.) beat Sayles (P.) 6-0, 6-0.
  - Goddard (D. A.) beat Root (P.) 1-6, 6-1, 7-5.
  - Watchler (D. A.) beat Comstock (P.) 6-0, 8-6.
  - Cutler (D. A.) beat Mason (P.) 6-4, 6-0.
- Doubles**
- Leeder-Bersch (D. A.) beat Larson-Mason (P.) 6-4, 6-1.
  - Bailey-Martin (D. A.) beat Root-Sayles (P.) 6-0, 6-1.
  - Sloan-Conner (D. A.) beat Shanzholtz-Giles (P.) 6-2, 2-6, 6-4.

## VISITS IN CITY

The home of Dr. and Mrs. P. T. Heineman was the scene of a very pleasant family gathering on Sunday when a party of the relatives of Dr. Heineman, including an aunt and uncle and cousin and family arrived here for a short visit.

## STAGE TWIN BILL

The Storz Kittenball team of Omaha came down last evening to entertain the local fans in a double header at Athletic park, the Budweisers of this city taking the first game of the evening from the visitors, 13 to 8. In the last game the Storz won from the Chevrolet team of this city by the score of 2 to 0, in a mighty fast and well played game on both sides, the visitors scores being home runs. It was a fine exhibition of fielding and pitching on the part of the players of both teams.

Ward Whelan was a visitor over the week end at Creston, Iowa, with the Roy James family and on his return was accompanied by Miss Betty James, who will visit here for some time.

## RETURNS TO CHICAGO

Mrs. Homer Moore and Mrs. Albert Deegan and little daughter, who have been here for the past week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Patterson, returned Sunday to their homes in Chicago.

## Street Work Ceases; Men are Sent to Quarries

Only Few Left for Final Touchup of Sidewalk Job on 6th St.—Others Go to County Quarry.

The WPA project that has been in force on Sixth street since last November, was terminated today when the men that have been engaged there were transferred to the county rock quarry project south of this city.

The street project has been the means of employment to a large force of men and has been a very excellent relief measure in taking up the unemployment slack and while it was checked during the extreme snow and cold weather of last winter, it has been pushed when weather permitted, to a very successful completion.

Federal funds have been used in the payment of labor costs and the material cost provided by the city and property owners along the street to make a very fine improvement to the city as it removes a very bad condition of the street that was a detriment to every motorist that was forced to pass over it.

## SUFFERS FROM FOURTH

There were a large number of minor injuries reported as the result of the Fourth of July and the local physicians were busy in patching up damaged fingers of the youth of the community.

Robert Grassman, while celebrating at home Saturday had a cracker explode before he was able to drop it and as the result the right thumb was damaged and required medical aid.

Ronald Rebal, celebrating at the bathing beach north of the city was also the victim of a firecracker held too long and had the first and middle fingers of the right hand burned quite severely.

## FIRE THREATENS VIADUCT

The wooden viaduct on General R. R. Livingston road that connects Third and First streets, was threatened seriously Saturday night from destruction by fire as the result of firecrackers setting fire to a dried grass patch near the west end of the viaduct.

## VISIT WITH RELATIVES

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Robertson had as their guests over the week end, Attorney E. O. Jones and son, Enos Gray Jones, of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Mr. Jones and son have been frequent visitors here and have many friends that were delighted to meet them during the week end visit.

## Teaching Force of City Schools Now Completed

Four New Teachers Named at Session of the Board of Education Held Monday Evening.

The board of education met Monday evening for the purpose of selecting a number of teachers for the local city schools to fill vacancies caused by resignations in the weeks since the close of the school year.

L. L. Starrett, for several years head of the commercial department, has submitted his resignation to the board of education, he having secured a fine advancement in being named to the faculty of the Cheyenne (Wyoming) high school commercial department, a fine recognition of his splendid ability in this line of teaching.

To succeed Mr. Starrett, Miss Ruth McCormick, of Lincoln, was selected. She is a graduate of the University of Nebraska and has a bachelor of science degree from that school.

Miss Margaret Bauer of this city, was elected to the position of teacher in the grades at the Wintersteen school. She is a graduate of the University of Nebraska where she received her degree.

## DON'T LIKE VISITORS

The operators at the tower at Oreapolis which is situated where there are many snakes, have been greatly annoyed by the snakes which seek and sometimes get into the office and sure are not welcome.

## UNDERGOES OPERATION

James Mauzy, Jr., was operated on this morning at the Methodist hospital at Omaha for appendicitis from which he has been suffering for some time.

## RETURN HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sediak of Sedalla, Mo., returned home after a most pleasant visit with relatives and friends.

## ENJOY FINE TIME

A very pleasant time was had at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Richardson at Mynard the 4th. Altho the weather indicator seemed to be inclined to go over the top it did not mar the spirit which one is supposed to possess on this great independence day.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Smith, parents of Mrs. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Simpson and baby Marline, Mr. and Mrs. John Lanam of Ansley, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Phillip and Marline, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Simpson and son, Vernon, all of Plattsmouth.

## Omaha Man is Injured at the Bathing Beach

John Knikal, 20, of Omaha, Falls from Swing into Shallow Water, Sustains Severe Injuries.

Late Monday afternoon John Knikal, 20, of 3519 Jefferson street, Omaha, was seriously injured while at the bathing beach north of this city, sustaining a fall into shallow water that may result in his permanent injury.

The young man was using a large swing out over the waters of the beach and from the statements of the onlookers apparently had slipped on the swing and fallen before he was out over the deeper water of the pond, lighting on his back and neck in the shallow waters of the pool.

When taken from the water the young man was apparently suffering from a paralyzed condition of his left side and it is thought sustained an injury to the vertebra that caused his condition.

## DEPARTS FROM CITY

Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rothert departed for Harvard, Nebraska, for a visit there with the relatives of Mr. Rothert and thence will go west for a short outing in Colorado.

They will later decide on their future location after the summer outing.

The many friends are regretting very much to see Mr. and Mrs. Rothert leave this city where they have had many warm friends in the past years, both having been members of the faculty of the city schools.

## CHILD CAUSES ALARM

Sunday night there was a great deal of excitement in the vicinity west of Nehawka when a four year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Creamer, was reported as missing.

There was a force of some fifty of the residents of the community as well as the sheriff called to the scene of action and at once a search of the nearby country was taken up and thoroughly covered the country. Near the midnight hour the child was discovered peacefully sleeping in a ditch some three-quarters of a mile from the home.

## Need for Closing Up Gap on High- way at Elmwood

Ten Miles of Unpaved Road on No. 34 Should Be Included in Projects for This Year.

There still remains ten miles of unpaved road on highway No. 34 from Union to Lincoln, located east of Elmwood, which should be made a part of the state road program and to help complete a through line of paving east of Lincoln.

There has been no paving work on this highway in 1935 and now it is urged that the work be taken up that this last link be completed and give an unbroken line of pavement from Lincoln to Union and thence north to Omaha and to the south portion of the state as well.

No. 34 is one of the main highways of the state and heavily traveled at all seasons of the year as was noted here in the spring when the bridge over the Salt Creek forced the west travel and that from Lincoln all over this highway.

The state is now engaged in closing up the gaps in paved roads and certainly that section of No. 34 should receive consideration at the hands of the state highway department and make it possible to have the work carried out this year before another winter comes to us.

The project would not only add a great deal to the highway system of the state but would also be the means of furnishing employment to a great many men in this section of the state.

## CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

Miss Shirley Mason observed the passing of her fourteenth birthday Tuesday at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Jess Wurga, on North 11th street, where in the attractive surroundings of this pleasant home the young people spent the time most delightfully.

The time was spent in games and dancing and in which all of the members of the party joined to make it a long to be remembered occasion.

Those in attendance were: Margaret Ann Pitz, Winifred Kaffenberger, Mary Helen Dill, Jacqueline Wetenkamp, Shirley Seiver, Marjorie Fitch, Frances Hadraba, Wilma Swatek, Dorothy Ann Will, Helen Hiatt, Germaine Mason, Allan White, Raymond Smock, Donald Burcham, Joe York, Earl Pitman, Ralph Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Jess Wurga, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Mason, Shirley, Donna Fae and Billy.

## LEAVES ON VACATION

Charles K. Bestor departed Tuesday for a vacation trip in the west and in which he expects to escape the extreme heat in the coolness of the Colorado country.

## DOING NICELY

Miss Laura Grassman, who is at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha, is reported as doing just as well as possible following her recent sinus operation.

## UNDERGOES OPERATION

Mrs. Paul Vandervoort, who has had some trouble with her ear as the result of a severe cold, was operated on Saturday at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha for the trouble. It is hoped that this will clear the ear up and restore the member to its former excellent condition.