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March of Dimes Tops 1951

In spite of poor crops in some areas and higher taxes generally, the people of Nebraska have this year set a new high in voluntary giving to the March of Dimes to fight polio (infantile paralysis), it was announced today by University of Nebraska chancellor, R. G. Gustavson, state March of Dimes Chairman.

It is now evident that when all reports are filed, the 1952 campaign total for Nebraska will exceed \$500,000, the Chancellor said. The final total for 1951 was \$475,175.

Fifty per cent of these funds will remain with Nebraska county chapters of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis to provide needed medical care for local polio patients, the State

Chairman said. The other 50 per cent, he stated, will go to support the national program of scientific research, training of professional personnel in research and medicine, and for emergency epidemic aid in major epidemic areas.

Chancellor Gustavson said that Nebraska county chapters of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis paid, or obligated themselves to pay, over \$307,000, in March of Dimes money in helping Nebraska polio patients during 1951, a year during which there were only seven individual weeks when no new cases of polio were reported to the State Department of Health.

The State Chairman expressed profound gratitude to all who have helped to make this fine report possible.

Scholarship Rules Are Announced

DURHAM, N. C. (ANP — The James E. Shepard Memorial foundation this week announced rules governing competition for \$3,200 in scholarships to be distributed during the 1952-53 school year.

Dr. Albert E. Manley, chairman of the foundation's scholarship committee, said that 16 scholarships of \$200 each will be awarded competitively qualified students

who plan to enter North Carolina college.

In addition to passing a competitive examination, applicants also have to qualify in the following four categories: (1) Need; (2) Scholarship; (3) Extra-curricular promise; and (4) Citizenship. The examination will be held at North Carolina college.

Full details may be obtained by writing to Dr. Manley at North Carolina college, Durham. Special application forms are available. Applicants must be nominated by special faculty committees in their high schools.

April 1, 1952 is the deadline for receiving applications.

High schools with enrollments of 100 students or more may nominate not more than two candidates. All other schools will be limited to one candidate.



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by **JAMES C. OLSON**, Superintendent
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Nebraska's Senators (2)

When John M. Thayer and Thomas Weston Tipton appeared in Washington as the first United States senators from the new state of Nebraska, they drew lots to determine the length of the terms they would serve. Mr. Thayer drew a four year term, and Mrs. Tipton came out with only two. Tipton served longer, however, because while Thayer was defeated when he came up for re-election, he (Tipton) was re-elected in 1869 to a full term of six years.

Thomas Weston Tipton was colorful, vigorous, and unpredictable. He was elected to the United States Senate as a Republican. Before the Civil War he had been a Whig, as many had been who became Republicans during the war years. In later life, however, he became a Democrat, and in 1880 was the unsuccessful Democratic candidate for governor. His transition from the Republican to the Democratic party was made through the Independent Republican movement led by Horace Greeley in the Grant Era. He voted for Greeley for president in 1872, and by 1876 was supporting Samuel Tilden, the Democratic candidate.

Senator Tipton was born in Cadiz, Ohio, August 5, 1817, the son of a Methodist minister. He attended the common schools, between periods of farm work, until he was 17 years old, when he entered a "select" school, after which he took four years of college work. Upon graduation from college he spent four years teaching and reading law. He was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1844.

That same year he campaigned actively for Henry Clay for president, and the following year he was elected to the Ohio legislature. He took the stump for General Zachary Taylor in 1848 and the next year received an appointment in the U.S. General Land Office. He resigned in 1852 to campaign for General Scott. After a short while he entered

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Sightless for the last 10 years, Mrs. Mamie Jones, of Oteen, N.C., has been a Red Cross volunteer for more than twice that time. Here, she visits Tom Miller at the Oteen Veterans Administration Hospital.



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the Methodist ministry, but got into trouble with church officials as a result of his outspoken opposition to slavery. He left the Methodist church to become a Congregational minister, and it was as president-elect of the short-lived Brownville College that he came to Nebraska in 1858. He stayed on in Brownville to organize a Congregational society. During the Civil war he served as chaplain of the First Nebraska Infantry.

As senator, Mr. Tipton was identified with the extreme "radi-

cal" wing of the Republican party which stood for the policy of "harsh" reconstruction in the South. Along with Senator Thayer, he cast his vote for conviction in the impeachment trial of President Andrew Johnson. Senator Tipton died in Washington, D. C., November 26, 1899.

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