



# The Plattsmouth Journal



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## Volunteers to Aid in New Draft Register

Committees Over the County to Assist in Getting the Latest Group Signed for Service

The following is a list of the places of registration and the registrars of the Fourth Selective Service registration to be held on April 27, 1942:

### Plattsmouth

Place: Court House.  
Chief Registrar: Geo. Lushinsky.  
Registrars: Mrs. Ray Larson, Mrs. Leslie Niel, Mrs. F. A. Clويد, Mrs. Eugene Vroman, Mrs. Carl Ofe, Mrs. Walter Tritsch, Mrs. John Wolf, Mrs. A. H. Duxbury, Mrs. P. Y. McPetridge, Mrs. Frank Bestor, Miss Sophia Kraeger, Miss Minnie Guthmann.

### Weeping Water

Place: Council Chamber.  
Chief Registrar: E. B. Taylor.  
Registrars: G. L. Spohn, Reverend Lenker.

### Louisville

Place: Town Hall.  
Chief Registrar: H. P. Koop.  
Registrars: Elberta Alfrey, Ethel Gustafson, Helen Dean Lesan, Marguerite Brammer.

### Murray

Place: Tutt and Erubacher Store.  
Chief Registrar: O. A. Davis.  
Registrars: Bessie Seybolt, May Merritt, Rose Wohlfarth, Dale Wohlfarth.

### Nehawka

Place: Steffens Store.  
Chief Registrar: Mrs. Doris Steffens.  
Registrars: Mrs. Glen Rutledge, Mrs. Ruth Lundberg, Mrs. Grace Sturm.

### Union

Place: Banning Hall.  
Chief Registrar: Chas. Swan.  
Registrars: D. Ray Frans, Crede Harris, Joe Banning, Elmer Withrow.

### Eagle

Place: Municipal Building.  
Chief Registrar: Vernon Longman.  
Registrars: A. F. Schwenker, A. L. Koltz, W. B. Ruliffson.

### Murdock

Place: Murdock Bank.  
Chief Registrar: H. J. Amgwert.  
Registrars: Mrs. Carl Buck, Mrs. O. B. Lupandus.

### Elmwood

Place: G. A. R. Hall.  
Chief Registrar: Mrs. Emily Gonzales.  
Registrars: Mrs. Helen Sumner, Lisle Horton.

### Alvo

Place: Fire Hall.  
Chief Registrar: Art Dinges.  
Registrars: Mrs. Lee Coatsman, Mrs. Russell Rodgers, Eda Mullen.

### Greenwood

Place: Fire and Pump House.  
Chief Registrar: C. D. Fulmer.  
Registrars: E. L. McDonald, Garr Dunning, Alice Boucher, Louis Meyers, Mrs. Florence Armstrong, Mae Pauers.

### Avoca

Place: Elmer Hennings Barber Shop.  
Chief Registrar: Max M. Straub, Jr.  
Registrars: Elmer Hennings, Mrs. Ella Penny, Mrs. Madeline Kinsey.

## To Manage Elevator

Don Seiver, who is engaged with the E. J. Richey Lumber Co., will have an additional position to handle in connection with his other work. Mr. Seiver has accepted the position as manager of the Oreadpolis Elevator Co., and will handle the business of the elevator in the future. Mr. Seiver will solicit the business of the residents of this section and can be secured by calling his residence at any time and he will be able to attend to the needs of his patrons and customers.

## WINS OPEN ALL-AGE STAKE

Sau Hill Shad is awarded first place in Nebraska field day trials held at Lincoln. Seventy-one dogs were entered in the various events. Shad was handled and trained by Jerry Ault, owned by John F. Mericle. Mr. Mericle is newest member of the Nebraska liquor commission, being very recently appointed by Governor Griswold.

## Recovering From Injuries

John Toman, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Toman, is recovering from the effects of injuries received Wednesday night while riding on a disc at the farm near this city. The lad fell in the path of the disc and received painful injuries but fortunately not critical. He was cut and scratched on the face and head and his shoulder bruised and injured to some extent. The injured boy was taken on into Murray and the injuries treated by Dr. R. W. Tyson. He is now recuperating at the family home.

## New Bus Here For Operation to the Bomber Plant

Large and Thoroughly Modern Bus With Capacity of Fifty to Be Operated by Clarence Cotner

Clarence Cotner returned home Friday afternoon and bringing with him a fine new all-modern passenger carrying bus that he will place in operation Monday between Plattsmouth and the Glenn Martin plant at Fort Crook.

The bus is one of the latest models in its line, a type that is largely used in the larger cities as one of the transportation facilities. It is air controlled and equipped so that doors and brakes are controlled by the air power supplied by a 100 horsepower motor.

The bus is one of the Mercury V-8 type and those who have had the opportunity of riding in the bus find it a most pleasant and comfortable means of transportation.

The bus is finished in tones of gray both on the exterior and on the interior decorations and seat coverings. The seating is arranged so that there can be fifty passengers accommodated at one time and with the emergency side door entrance makes it possible to load and unload the bus with the greatest of ease.

Mr. Cotner expects to have the bus in operation Monday and it will prove a great asset to the residents here who are employed at the bomber plant and save the wear and tear on the private cars and tires in driving back and forth from the plant. The bus will be operated along the time of the different shifts at the plant.

## Victory Variety Show

On Tuesday, May 5, at 8 p. m. the Junior Woman's club is sponsoring a show for national defense. This show will be held in the American Legion Hall.

For admission war stamps will be sold at the door—at least a 25c war stamp for adults, and a 10c war stamp for children.

The program will be composed of music, readings, a play, etc. The numbers will be furnished by local talent. More details will be given at a later date.

Call the attention of your friends to this show, or better still, bring them along with you. You must not miss it. Remember the admission is only war stamps to be purchased at the door.

Don't forget, you have a date with Uncle Sam on Tuesday, May 5, 8 p. m.

## SHOWS IMPROVEMENT

From Thursday's Daily—Mrs. C. H. Warner, who has not been well for the past few days, is now reported as being somewhat improved but still confined to her home. Her condition was such for several days that her daughter, Miss Helen, deputy clerk of the district court was with her, but with the improvement returned this morning to her duties.

## RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

From Thursday's Daily—John F. Wehrlein, one of the prominent farmers of west of the city, was into the city today and is gradually improving following his recent operation. Mr. Wehrlein returned home from the hospital on Sunday but is still feeling the effects of the ordeal that he has been through.

## Capture Nehawka Garage Robbers At Beatrice

Deputy Sheriff Emery Doody Makes Arrest as Men Identified by Nehawka Citizens

The robbers of the Clarence Hansen garage at Nehawka had a short lease on liberty after they had committed the crime Friday night, as they were arrested Saturday at Beatrice by Deputy Sheriff Emery Doody and members of the Beatrice police force.

The robbery at Nehawka had netted 11 tires, five table model radios, six cases of oil, two batteries, one cutting torch and tips for the same.

On Friday afternoon Nehawka people had noticed a car with a Beatrice dealer number in the vicinity of the garage and this was reported to the office of the sheriff and Deputy Sheriff Doody hurried to the Gage county city. A search by the deputy sheriff finally located the dealer car, and the deputy had Mr. Hansen and several from Nehawka come to Beatrice to complete the identification.

A watch was maintained in the vicinity of the car that soon bore results, another car driving up with two young men who were identified by the Nehawka men as the same that they had noticed in their town. The men were arrested and in the car was found four of the stolen tires, three of the radios, 12 cans of oil and the cutting torch and tips. The two men acknowledged their part in the robbery and told of burying the rest of the tires in a field near Beatrice but officers found that someone else had beaten them to the cache.

The two men, giving the names of Lester Vicars, Webb City, Mo., and Elmer Witkowski, of Beatrice, were brought to Lincoln by Deputy Doody and turned over to Sheriff Joe Mrasek who brought the men on in to Plattsmouth, while Deputy Doody returned to Beatrice and brought in the car of the robbers and the recovered loot.

The principal address of the evening was by the Rev. Clifford Samuelson of New York, a member of the national council, urging the need of support of the church at this critical time in the world history.

The singing at the banquet was led by Canon George St. George Tyner, of St. Luke's church.

Those attending the sessions of the council from Plattsmouth were: Mr. and Mrs. James F. Begley, Mrs. F. L. Cummins, Miss Barbara Gerling, Mrs. Henry Herold, Mrs. Walter Tritsch.

## Local Boy Honored

William E. Evers, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Evers of this city, a cadet at the West Point military academy, is one of the happy students at the academy these days. He has been a member of the academy skeet squad for the past two years and is on the first team of the military school that has been acclaimed as the intercollegiate champions of the United States. The team has been in competition at New Haven where the shoots were being staged, the soldiers scoring first with their No. 1 team and second place with their seconds. The members of the squad are well pleased with the victory that they have won for the second successive year.

## Find Runaway Boys

From Friday's Daily—This morning Sheriff Joe Mrasek was called to Louisville by the report that two young lads of that community had run away and caused a great deal of worry to the families. The sheriff reached Louisville and gathered what facts were possible and then started out to try to locate the boys. Driving west on the Louisville-Ashland road the sheriff overtook the two missing lads and escorted them back to their homes.

## TAKES NEW POSITION

Chester Taylor, who has been engaged with the local street department, operating the tractor and road maintainer, has accepted a new position. Mr. Taylor has taken a job at the Martin bomber plant at Fort Crook and has resigned from the street force.

## AN APPRECIATION

To the kind friends whose cards and flowers, letters and personal calls helped to brighten my stay in the hospital, I wish to express my sincere thanks. Those acts of thoughtfulness will always be a cherished memory.—Mrs. Floyd Fulton.

## Prepare to Honor Selectees

On Tuesday afternoon on the 5:27 Missouri Pacific train there will be a very considerable group of young men of Cass county, taken to Omaha for examination and thence sent to centers for induction into the army.

Superintendent L. S. Devoe and Director David Fowler have consented to the participation of the high school band in a brief concert given in recognition of the young men now going into service. The band will be at the station at 5 p. m. for a few numbers and Judge A. H. Duxbury, world war veteran and chairman of the state aid fund commission, will give a few remarks of commendation to the boys now on their way to serve the nation.

## Local People Attend Church Meet at Omaha

Members of the St. Luke's Church Attend Annual Episcopal Church Council

Wednesday and Thursday a group of the members of the local St. Luke's Episcopal church, were in Omaha to attend the annual council of the Nebraska church, held at the Holy Trinity parish house.

The council opened on Wednesday with the address by Bishop Howard R. Brinker at the business session at the parish house and followed by the regular business program.

On Wednesday evening the delegates and visitors were entertained at the banquet held at the Athletic club at 7 o'clock. There were a great many from the churches of the east portion of Nebraska present to represent their parishes.

Attorney Robert D. Neeley, of Omaha, treasurer of the council, gave a very interesting talk on the work of the church in the diocese of Nebraska.

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## Local Station Robbed

Sometime during Friday night the Cloyd Service station at Third and Main streets was entered by someone apparently badly in need of tires and tubes. A window was found open at the south of the building and this had evidently allowed the party or parties to get into the building.

Three deluxe U. S. Royal tires were taken as well as three tubes and the parties taking them had unlocked the door and left the key in the door.

Officer D. T. Haley in his rounds at 3 o'clock this morning discovered the door open, locked the door and took the key to the police station, not knowing the tires were missing from the stock. The custom had been to keep a light burning near the desk at the service station but this was not burning this morning.

## Taken to Hospital

From Saturday's Daily—Last evening Frank E. Vallery, member of one of the pioneer families of Cass county and long a familiar figure in the city, was taken to the Nicholas Senn hospital at Omaha. Mr. Vallery has been in failing health for several months and has been under treatment for some time, seemingly some better and able to return home but in the past several days has not been so well.

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## Farmers to Vote May Second on New Wheat Quota

Polling Places Over the County to Be Open From 9 a. m. to 9 p. m. for Casting Votes

Cass county farmers will go to the polls Saturday, May 2, 1942 to cast ballots in a nation-wide wheat marketing quota referendum.

Approximately 1200 Cass wheat growers and landlords are eligible to participate in the referendum. AAA Chairman E. H. Armstrong said. Eligible voters are persons who have an interest in a planted wheat acreage of more than 15 acres with a normal yield of not less than 200 bushels.

Manned by committees of farmers, polling places in the following locations will be open from 9 a. m. to 9 p. m.:

Avoca Precinct—City Hall, Avoca, Center—City Hall, Manley, East Rock Bluff—Murray Garage, Eight Mile Grove—Hell school, Elmwood—R. N. A. Hall, Murdock.

Greenwood—Alvo fire house, Liberty—Legion Bldg., Union, Louisville—City Hall, Louisville, Mt. Pleasant—Phillip school, Nehawka—Nehawka Auditorium, Plattsmouth—Taylor school, Salt Creek—American Legion Hall Greenwood.

South Bend—Fairland school, Stove Creek—G. A. R. Hall, Elmwood.

Tipton—Eagle fire house, Weeping Water—Cascade school, West Rock Bluff—Murray Garage.

Results of the referendum for farmers will be measured in terms of dollars and cents, Mr. Armstrong explained. AAA wheat loans, which have stabilized the price of the tremendous U. S. wheat supply in recent years, cannot be made available to farmers if quotas are rejected.

"Determination of America's wheat policy is in the hands of men who actually produce the grain," he continued. "We can keep this democratic way of doing things in operation if we exercise the free voting privilege Saturday—a privilege which American boys are giving their lives to protect for us."

## Protest on Rentals

Workers who have come to this city from distant places to engage in work at the Martin bomber plant, have expressed to the Journal a very strong dissatisfaction over the rental situation in this city. The demand for apartments and houses has been strong for the past year and practically all of the available houses have been taken up. The men report that rental rates are mounting very much from their former standard. A number of the workers here state they may have to move elsewhere although they like this city and its people very much, but feel that they cannot afford the higher rentals.

## Wed in Nebraska City

From Thursday's Daily—Marriage license was issued in Nebraska City Wednesday to Emil Siemoneit, of this city, son of Mrs. Bertha Siemoneit, and Miss Charlotte S. Beck, of Murray, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John N. Beck. The wedding ceremony was performed yesterday afternoon by Rev. George Duensing at the Bethel Evangelical parlor.

The bridal couple are well known in this part of Cass county and will make their home on a farm near this city in the future.

## To Take New Post

Miss Rose Mary Steppat, who has served so efficiently at the office of County Attorney Walter H. Smith, as clerk and stenographer, has accepted a new position in a similar line of work at the office of the Glenn Martin bomber plant at Fort Crook. Miss Steppat is expecting to take over her new work on Monday.

## VISITS IN CITY

Mrs. E. A. Lundin, of Omaha, is here for a short visit with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Gorton, as the son is to leave for the army the coming week.

## Prepares to Enter Service

Loren Laughlin, prominent Lincoln attorney and one of the republican leaders of Lancaster county, was a visitor in Plattsmouth for a few hours Thursday. Mr. Laughlin had been at Fort Crook taking examination for entering the army air corps and will soon be in the service of the United States.

Mr. Laughlin is a veteran of the first world war and has again felt the urge to get out and into the present war for the national existence.

## Waters of River Yield Up Body Of John Micin

River Workers Discover Body of Missing Farmer Sunday Afternoon Near Rock Bluffs

Just two weeks to the day that John Micin, 58, had driven away from his farm home to disappear, his body was found floating in the Missouri river, some eight miles south of this city and east of old Rock Bluffs.

The discovery was made by river workers of the Kansas City Bridge Co., coming up the river in their boat and the body was towed to the Nebraska bank of the river where it was secured. Sheriff Joe Mrasek was notified of the find and at once hastened to the scene and had the body brought to this city by the Sattler funeral home.

The watch of the dead man was found in his clothing and identified by members of the family as that worn by Mr. Micin at the time of his disappearance. His condition was such that identification of his features was also possible.

The finding of the body relieves the family and friends of the anxiety and uncertainty as to the fate of Mr. Micin although the fact of the finding of his car near the Missouri river a short distance southeast of this city had led to the belief of his drowning.

## Moves Office to Home

Capt. W. S. Eaton U.S.A. of this city, who has been in service at Fort Crook and off duty been caring for his local patients, has removed his office and equipment to his home, 419 North 9th street.

Last Saturday Capt. Eaton was informed that he was to be transferred to Fort Bliss, Tex., at El Paso, and to report, in a few days. Captain Eaton accordingly had his equipment and supplies moved from the office to the home. This morning he was informed that the order had been temporarily held up and he was to remain at Fort Crook.

The offices will be maintained at the home from now on as the order to a new post may come any time.

## Discuss Sugar Rationing

From Friday's Daily—A meeting was held in the district court room this morning of the merchants of the city engaged in handling sugar as well as restaurant and eating house representatives. This was in preparation for the rationing of sugar to the eating places, families and individuals. The sugar supply will be frozen starting Monday until May 7th when the civilian registration will have been completed.

## BROODER HOUSE BURNS

From Saturday's Daily—Last Friday about noon while Raymond Lancaster and wife were at dinner, they noticed smoke issuing from their brooder house and rushing out were able to save some of the chicks, but they are in very bad condition. They had just purchased a lot of 300 chicks. The brooder house belonged to the father, Earl Lancaster, which was a complete loss.

From Friday's Daily—Last Friday Carl Ganz, of Alvo, was a visitor in the city today to attend to some matters of business and visiting with his friends.

## Seniors Present Class Play Last Evening

"The Yellow Shadow." Mystery Comedy, Well Presented by Members of Cast

From Saturday's Daily—The class of 1942 of the Plattsmouth high school staged one of the closing events of their high school careers last evening at the high school auditorium when they presented the mystery-comedy, "The Yellow Shadow," in three acts, before a large and appreciative audience. The cast had spent several weeks in rehearsals and their presentation proved they were well directed.

Vernon Waterman was the director, assisted by Gertrude Clويد, student director. Mr. Waterman was presented a stamp book containing \$3.50 in war stamps by the seniors in appreciation of the work he had done in making the play a success.

All three acts of the play occurred in the living-room of Viewcrest Lodge, Pudget Sound. The lodge had been inherited by Mildred Marvin (Maxine Graves) who arrived with Gilbert Wright, attorney, (John Slatinsky), Alice Perkins, Mildred's chum, (Dorothea Duxbury) and Hazel Wayne, Mildred's cousin, (Eillie Sylvester) to find the corpse of a man (Ralph Hilt). From that point on until the end, the mystery of who was the murderer deepened. The housekeeper at Viewcrest was Nell Travis (Margaret Fricke) and her husband, Jed Travis, a mental case, (Wendell Eratt). Upon her arrival, Miss Marvin found her brother, Herbert Marvin, (Bill Gayer) whom she had not seen for three years.

Sheriff Macklin (Milton Allen) who provided much of the comedy, and J. Steel, the coroner (Libby Wiles) were called in to solve the murder. The sheriff had taken a correspondence course in detective work and he with Jed Travis provided the comedy in the play. The part of Wong Song the Jap was played by Bill Clويد.

It wasn't until the close of the play that the guilty parties were disclosed, when it was discovered that Gilbert Wright the attorney, and Wong Song, his helper, were the guilty ones. Jed Travis, the mental case, turned out to be a private detective, who finally solved the mystery.

Wilbur Claus and Thelma Kruger furnished the piano music before the play and between acts.

All of the cast should be congratulated upon the splendid way in which they played their parts, bringing out the mystery very realistically. In presenting a play of this kind it requires much help besides the cast itself, and the following carried out their work very creditably:

### Technical Staff

Business Manager—Dean McFarland; Jean Adams assistant.  
Advertising Manager—Bill Hula; assistants: Robert Webb, James Quinn, Sanford Short.

House Manager—Wilma Nolte, Usherettes: Shirley Terryberry, Mae McCarroll, Betty Hutchison, Betty Shiffer, Kathleen Hathaway, Rose Erink, Betty Hamblen, Ushers: Kenneth Wohlfarth, Robert Nickels, John Hoeschar, LeRoy Grauf, Kenneth Campbell, Leroy Woodruff.

Stage manager—Mary Ann Winscott.  
Chief Electrician—Wm. Robertson.

Set Technician—James Quinnett.  
Costume Manager—Betty Jo Wilson. Assistants: Helen Minniecar, Betty Gayer.

Property—Margaret Rea; Doris Stander assistant.  
Sound Effects—Cary Marshall.  
Prompter—Lavina Troop.

## Soldiering in South

The many friends in this locality of Arnold Buechler, one of the popular young men of the community, will be interested that he is located at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in the army, and likes the service very much. He has gained weight and now is at 208 pounds as the result of the training and excellent food that is supplied the boys at the post.