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Plan Extension Of Soil Conservation Work In County

Terrace Contours Will Be Extended to Give Greater Aid in Saving Moisture

A meeting of the board of supervisors of the Cass Soil Conservation District was held at the District offices in Weeping Water Monday evening August 9th. Lester L. Wagner, chairman of the board, presided.

Plans were drawn up for the extension of soil and moisture conservation work throughout the district for this coming fall and winter. Approval of application for assistance in soil conservation work on the following farms was granted: Mary E. Ranney, Weeping Water; J. A. Kiser, Plattsmouth; E. M. Straub and Son, Avoca. Notification was made that the district has been loaned the joint use of a caterpillar "35" tractor by the Soil Conservation Service to help in the construction of grassed waterways and ditches, terraces and stock ponds.

Construction of a new type of terrace built entirely with an ordinary two-bottom plow was discussed. Mr. Hugo Meisinger of Plattsmouth recently completed 2 1-2 miles of terraces in this manner. Plans to see other developments in erosion control were made for the near future.

Lawson Family Here

Last evening Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Lawson and their daughters, Ruth and Helen, of Wymore, Neb., were here, coming from Bellevue where Rev. Lawson was called to officiate at the wedding of former friends. On their way home they were overnight guests at the home of Mayor and Mrs. R. B. Hayes, spending today in visiting with the old friends, Rev. Lawson being the former pastor of the First Methodist church of this city.

Miss Florence Lawson, army nurse, is at Fort Riley, Kans., where she has been at the post hospital. She is now preparing for a change in station and may see service with the forces abroad.

Blue Ribbon V for Victory

On Sunday, Aug. 8, the Blue Ribbon Bees for Victory club met at the home of Marilyn and Lyle Schafer.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Elmer Iske. Eight members and two visitors were present.

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Going Back in Service

George Busch, who has been located on the west coast, is here for a short visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Busch, preparatory to his re-entering the military service. He was taken into the army some two years ago but was released last May. He has been able to secure the promise of reinstatement at his former grade of corporal in the air corps. He expects soon to report for active duty and is glad to be back in the service of the air corps.

To Undergo Observation

Mrs. Louis Friedrich, of west of Plattsmouth, was taken to Omaha Thursday evening where she entered the Immanuel hospital for treatment. Mrs. Friedrich has not been in the best of health for some time. The many friends are hoping that she may soon be restored to her former good health and be able to return home.

Social Workers Flower Club

The Social Workers Flower club held their annual picnic on the spacious lawn at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spangler.

Everyone came with well filled baskets and a large number of members and visitors enjoyed a bountiful feast.

The afternoon was spent in visiting and the ladies conducted their usual business meeting. Two new members were added to the roll, Mrs. Ralph Dond and Mrs. John Thomas.

The September meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Sam Gilmore.

Spangler Family Reunion Held Near City Sunday

Pleasant Event Is Held at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spangler and Very Largely Attended

From Thursday's Daily—

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spangler, Sunday, August 8, was held the annual gathering of the Spangler family.

As the noon hour approached members came with filled baskets to where a large table was placed under shade trees on their lawn.

The afternoon was spent in visiting and a short business meeting was held. Officers elected for the coming year were: President—Ruel Sack; Vice President—Mrs. E. J. Lutz; Secretary—Miss Fern Spangler; Reporter—Mrs. Royal Smith; Treasurer—Mrs. Harry Gobelman.

It was decided to set a page in the secretary's book honoring the ones serving our country. Those now serving are: Homer Spangler, Ivan Spangler, Clayton Sack, Glenn Lutz, Herbert Stander, Lewis Olson, Gerold Cox, Carlson, Kenneth Christian, Elmo Hites, Ray Hites, Gladys Hites Tudor and Earnest Tudor.

Those present to enjoy the day were: John Spangler and sons, Louisville; Frank Spangler and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Holenbeck, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Livingston and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Gobelman, Peter Spangler, Mrs. Olive Rauth of Weeping Water; Mr. and Mrs. Phil Spangler, Mrs. Helen Olson and son, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Spangler of Wabash; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Miller of Palmyra; Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Albin, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gobelman and family of Union; Mr. and Mrs. Russell Spangler, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Hennings and family of Omaha; Miss Gertrude Burbee of Union; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gobelman, Mr. and Mrs. Herold Spangler and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lutz and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ruel Sack and Mrs. Carlo Sack, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Mumm and family and Pete Mumm, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Smith and family, and Mrs. Maggie Gobelman, all of Plattsmouth, and the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spangler.

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LeRoy McBride Old Resident Dies At Kearney

Has Been Ill for Some Time—Has Been a Resident Here Since Childhood—Funeral Monday

The death of Leroy McBride, 63, resident here for a great many years, took place last night at Kearney, Neb., where he has made his home for the past two years. He has not been in the best of health for the past several years.

Leroy McBride was born January 17, 1880, at Monmouth, Illinois, son of Edward and Emma McBride. His mother died when he was eighteen months old and he came to Plattsmouth at an early age to make his home with his brother, C. E. McBride, spending the greater part of his lifetime in this city and vicinity. He was baptized, when a boy, in the Christian church and has remained a member of this church since. He was married to Effie Ella Harris at Stuart Nebraska in March 1920, the wife preceding him in death.

There were six children born to Mr. and Mrs. McBride, all of whom survive, two daughters and four boys. The members of the family that reside in Plattsmouth are George and Donald, now in the naval service, and Austin. There is also surviving a brother, C. E. McBride, of Ridge, Colorado, and a niece, Mrs. E. G. Ofe, of this city.

The body was brought here to the Sattler funeral home where the services will be held on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock and the interment at Oak Hill cemetery. Friends may call at the Sattler funeral home Sunday from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 in the evening.

Funeral of Mrs. Archer

The funeral of Mrs. Nellie Archer, resident here for many years, was held Thursday afternoon at the Caldwell funeral home at 7th and Oak street. The body arrived this morning from Los Angeles, where Mrs. Archer had died on last Saturday, being accompanied here by the aged husband, who is now in his eighty-fifth year.

Rev. T. Porter Bennett, pastor of the First Methodist church, conducted the services of the aged lady and paid tribute to her long and useful life in the community.

Mrs. E. H. Westcott sang two of the old hymns that had been favorites of the departed in her lifetime, "Jesus Lover of My Soul," and "Rock of Ages." She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. P. H. Murdick II, of Michigan, who is visiting here.

The interment was in the Oak Hill cemetery, with members of the family circle serving as the casket bearers: Carl Hall, Wilbur Hall, Frank Adair, Lloyd Younker, James and John Rishel.

Home from Hospital

Miss Mary Jane Kvapil, who has been recovering from the effects of an operation at the University hospital, is now home to recuperate and be ready to resume her usual activities. Her condition was quite serious for a time but she is now gradually gaining altho losing much weight as the result of the hospitalization.

Card of Thanks

I want to express my appreciation and thanks to friends who were so thoughtful in sending me cards, flowers, gifts, made calls and inquiries during my stay in the hospital, which made my stay more pleasant. I especially want to thank the A.F. of L., of Norfolk Packing Co., for the beautiful bouquet of flowers. Once more, thank you.
Mary Jane Kvapil.

Visit at Sals Home

Sgt. Chester Jenkins of Camp Roberts, California, spent the week end visiting at the home of Mrs. E. B. Sals at Weeping Water.

Soldier Brothers Home

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Speck, near this city is to be the scene of a very happy gathering of the members of the family circle next Sunday when the three soldier sons of the family, Sgt. John Speck, Cpl. Hillard Speck and Pfc. Marion Speck, of Patterson Field, Ohio, will all be home.

The soldiers have been coming in the past few days on furlough and from widely scattered areas they have been able to meet, the event being all without planning, they through good fortune having secured their furloughs at the same time.

Library Notes

The Plattsmouth Public Library circulated 2,140 books during the month of July. There were seven new borrowers.

There were 83 registrations for the summer Reading Club, which is for younger children, 43 have finished the required reading.

History is being made fast these days, and the only way to keep up with it is to read the current magazines and papers. What are the latest facts on rationing, priorities, taxes, war in the Pacific, war in the Atlantic, plans for peace after the war, etc., etc? These facts may be found in United States News, Current History, Fortune, Atlantic, Harper's, Readers' Digest, and many other magazines that you can borrow from the library.

The following new books are now in circulation:

Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo, by Capt. Ted Lawson. A first hand account of the Doolittle raid over Tokyo. Citizen Tom Paine by Howard Fast. This is an outstanding novel, a stirring, memorable, and great story of the founding of the Republic and one of its noblest leaders. The San Francisco Chronicle book critic suggests that "in the person of Mr. Fast we may have the next really important American historical novelist."

New books for teen-agers are: How They Followed the Golden Trail by J. Walker McSpadden; Paul Goes Away to School by Marguerite Vance, and Franz, Dog of the Police, by Major S. P. Meek.

A happy and colorful new biography for children is Have You Seen Tom Thumb, by Mabel L. Hunt. This is the story of Charles S. Stratton, a man in miniature beloved by the entire world as General Tom Thumb.

Kindergarten Information

In order to enter the kindergarten of the Plattsmouth public schools, children must be five years old on or before October 31st. The best interest of the school and the child was taken into consideration in the establishment of this rule by the board of education. Children will not be admitted to kindergarten whose fifth birthday falls after this date.

The board of education is asking parents to cooperate by bringing to school on the opening day only those who are five years old before October 31st.

Back on Job

Miss Helen Porter, who was Cass county assistance director for several years, is back on the job at the court house, returning Monday from her vacation. Miss Porter was given a six months leave of absence and spent this visiting at her home at Alma, Neb. One of her diversions was that of working in her victory garden at home. She is now in the full swing of the office work again.

Omaha Parties Married

Thursday afternoon at the office of County Judge A. H. Duxbury was held the marriage service for Sterling John Collins and Sylvia Hazel Warren, both of Omaha. The wedding was witnessed by Fern Stanhope and Irene Dooley, friends of the bridal couple. Judge Duxbury read the marriage lines.

This morning Judge Duxbury was called upon to perform the marriage of George Louis Krause and Jeanne Isabel Ripley. The wedding was witnessed by Miss Alice Jayne Grosshans and Miss Minnie Hild.

Lieutenant Richard Brendel Completes Training

Murray Young Man Ready to Be Assigned to Station for Service in Medical Corps

Carlisle Barracks, Pa., Aug. 13.—First Lt. Richard F. Brendel, Medical Corps, of Murray, Neb., well trained for duty with troops in the field after six weeks of rigorous preparation, today was graduated from Medical Field Service School, Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

Following the exercises in Tugo Hall, he left for his new station where he will put into actual practice the military training, medical tactics, military sanitation, logistics, field medicine and surgery, and administration which he learned thoroughly at this "West Point" of the Medical department.

He was among a class of 445 physicians, dentists, veterinarians and sanitary engineers who prepared themselves at this army school to convert their professional skills from peacetime to war conditions. Lieutenant Brendel, 28, attended the University of Nebraska where he received his B. S. and M. D. degrees.

Four hundred and thirty officers in the class are physicians, and nine are dentists, drawn from 41 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Hawaii. Other medical department officers in the class, which was the 32nd to graduate from this national army post, held commissions in the Sanitary Corps, (Sanitary Engineers), five and Medical Administrative Corps, one.

New York had the largest representation with 92. Pennsylvania was second with 55, Ohio third with 46, New Jersey fourth with 26, and Illinois fifth with 23.

Prepare for Ordination

Nineteen youths are preparing for ordination to the priesthood for the diocese of Lincoln. The seminary course after high school consists of two years of college, two of philosophy and four of theology. Among the student that will be ordained to the priesthood of the Roman Catholic church is John W. Kelly, Cedar Creek, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Kelly. He is a student in fourth theology, St. Paul Seminary, St. Paul, Minn.

Returns from Vacation

Dr. H. G. McClusky, who has been enjoying a two weeks vacation on the west coast, has returned and will resume his church activities Sunday with the morning service. Dr. McClusky visited with relatives and friends at San Gabriel, Calif., and Phoenix, Ariz. The country looks very fine and almost everywhere is evidence of the activities of the military service and training centers.

Dr. McClusky returns much refreshed from his trip and from his duties.

Learn of Marriage

Word has been received here by members of the Briggs family, announcing the marriage of Lt. Betty Jo Briggs, regular army nurse, to Nicholas Popa. The wedding was very quiet and occurred at Fayetteville, Ark., on last Saturday. The bride has been stationed at Camp Crowder, Mo., for the past several months. This makes a new grandson for Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Briggs.

Lightning Does Damage

From Thursday's Daily—
Early this morning during the electrical and rain storm, the lightning struck the residence of Supt. W. F. Evers at the Nebraska Masonic Home, located not far from the infirmary building of the plant. Some slate shingles were ripped off, the lightning also traveling down a drain pipe into the ground.

A few days ago in one of the storms, a bolt struck the infirmary building knocking off several stones on the ornamental parapet of the building.

K-B Club Meets

From Friday's Daily—

Last evening, Mrs. Anna Ptak was hostess to the members of the K-B club at her residence on Oak street, the ladies having a very pleasant evening at the diversion of bridge. In the playing Mrs. Frank Bestor was the winner of first honors. Mrs. L. W. Egenberger, second, and Mrs. H. A. Schneider the third. Mrs. Lillian Livingston was a guest of the club.

At an appropriate hour the members were treated to delicious refreshments served by Mrs. Fred H. Sharpneck, daughter of the hostess.

Ensign Maxine Cloidt Home For Ten Day Leave

Plattsmouth Girl, Member of the WAVES, Comes From Northampton, Mass.

This morning Ensign Maxine Cloidt, member of the WAVES, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Cloidt, arrived from the east to spend a few days of her ten day leave with the parents, relatives and old friends.

Ensign Cloidt enlisted in the WAVES in August 1942, and was called to training in October of that year, being assigned to the training school at Northampton. She has been very successful in her work and was soon commissioned and is now engaged as an instructor at the place where many of the young women are being trained for this important part in the defense system of the government.

She is the first of the Plattsmouth girls that have been enrolled in the military forces to be here and the occasion has brought a great deal of happiness to the many friends to have the opportunity of greeting her.

Returns From West

Mrs. Robert Sedlak and children, Bobbie and Nancy Jane, returned home last evening from a months trip to the west coast, the time being spent in the Los Angeles area, they being at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Wilson, parents of Mrs. Sedlak. They found Mr. and Mrs. Wilson in excellent health and both doing well. They are living at Santa Monica and both are working.

Mrs. Sedlak also had the opportunity of visiting with the other members of the Sedlak family, cousins, in the Los Angeles territory as well as Inglewood and Culver City. These members visited were Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sedlak and family, Fred Sedlak, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Alexsen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sedlak, Mr. and Mrs. Driver, Pvt. Wilbert Lang and Mrs. Lang. They had a very fine visit and a most enjoyable journey, both going and coming.

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No Bones Broken

The many friends here will be pleased to learn that examination of Mrs. M. S. Briggs, at the Lutheran hospital at Omaha, failed to disclose any broken bones. She will, however, be forced to remain at the hospital for three or four days, word from her daughter, Mrs. Fred Franz, states.

Enjoying Leave Home

Seaman Second Class Edward Steppatt, who has been here from the naval training station at Farragut, Idaho, is enjoying very much the visit with the members of the family and his many old friends. On his return to the station next week he is hoping for an assignment that will enable him to carry on his schooling.

Attend Credit Meeting

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thomsen of the local Credit Bureau will attend a conference of the directors of the Sixth District of the Associated Credit Bureaus of America, Sunday, August 15. Mrs. Thomsen is secretary-treasurer of the Associated Credit Bureaus of Nebraska, and Mr. Thomsen is past president.

Plan Expanded Future Farm Price Program

Will Be the Only Federal Control Over 1944 Food and Feed Production

Washington, Aug. 12. (UP)—The War Food Administration plans an expanded farm price support program—maybe requiring an additional one billion dollars—as virtually the only federal control over 1944 food and feed production, it was learned today.

Acreage allotments and farm quotas, except on tobacco, are to be abandoned under the new farm program being prepared by War Food Administrator Marvin Jones.

Congressional farm leaders will be consulted prior to announcement of the program. Failure of Jones' predecessor to consult congress in advance of announcing important farm program and price changes resulted in sharp criticism.

As the first move toward consultation with congressmen, food officials were said to have invited members of the House Banking and Currency committee here for discussions prior to the return of congress on Sept. 14th.

Jones, meanwhile, moved to make good his statement earlier this week that the 1944 farm program would be on a "purely voluntary basis" and that there would be a reduction in "directives" from Washington. He names William Nelson, former democratic congressman from Missouri, as his special assistant in charge of the state and county war production. Nelson was in his new office near Jones yesterday, but announcement of his appointment was withheld until today. Jones plans to shift most of the responsibility for the 1944 food and feed programs to the war boards and other state and local agencies. His first move toward increasing the power and scope of those boards was made simultaneously with the appointment of Nelson.

Telegrams were sent out asking state agricultural department heads and state vocational directors to serve as members of the State War Production in a move to emphasize state responsibility for the food production program.

Celebrates Birthday

Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gaillen Rhoden, a birthday party was tendered by Mrs. Barbara McGraw to her sister Miss Clara Belle Rhoden, on her 14th birthday anniversary.

Games were played and prizes awarded to Joan Bull, Betty Mason, Billy Howland and Betty Uliek. Dancing was enjoyed throughout the evening and at an appropriate hour refreshments of ice cream and cake was served to the members of the group. Mrs. Fred Toman assisted Mrs. McGraw in serving.

The guest of honor received a great many attractive gifts as remembrances of the happy occasion.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Gaillen Rhoden, Mrs. Barbara McGraw and family, Linda Charlene and George Gaillen, Donna Haskell, Betty Uliek, Ruby Gunsolly, Honey Lou LaHoda, Hermina Reichstadt, Joan Bull, Donna Lee Hutchison, Betty Baumgart, Helen Yardley, Gertrude Harris, Billy Mason, Bill Potter, Bill Babbitt, Lloyd Fitch, Bill Howland, John Kimball, Marion Carter, Robert Tritsch, Dangard Reichstadt.

Former Teacher Here

Mr. and Mrs. David Fowler and family of Falls City, are here for a short visit with the old friends and former associates in the teaching force of the local schools. They were house guests of Postmaster and Mrs. Milo Price and luncheon guests today of Mr. and Mrs. Dow Armstrong.

Completes Leave

Harvey F. Sals, seaman 2c, left Tuesday for Farragut, Idaho, after spending a 15-day leave visiting at the home of his mother, Mrs. Elta B. Sals, and many friends at Weeping Water.