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## Sgt. Carl Sell Member Of Raiding Force Over Italy

Press Report of Name Wednesday Thought to Be in Error as to Plattsmouth Man

Press reports received Wednesday by the Journal gave the report of a Sergeant Carl J. Foll being engaged in the air raids over Italy and particularly on the bridges at Benevento, near Naples.

There is no record of anyone by that name being in the service from this city and it is thought that the flyer in the raid was Sergeant Carl J. Sell, of his city, who is on duty overseas in the air forces.

The sergeant is reported in speaking of the attack on the bridge said that the explosions made it look "like the whole bridge came up."

## Funeral of Mrs. Hobscheidt

The funeral services for Mrs. Michael Hobscheidt were held this morning at 9:30 at the Holy Rosary church on west Pearl street, a large number of the old friends being in attendance at the church.

The high mass was celebrated by Father J. R. Sinkula, pastor of the church, while the sermon was given in Bohemian by Father Chapurman, of Omaha. Father Michael of Omaha, also assisted in the service.

The interment was at the Catholic cemetery with the Sattler funeral home in charge. The pallbearers were old family friends: Walter H. Smith, John Libersal, John Bergman, Mike Vetesnek, Charles Wurga and Anton Janda.

## Returns from South

Mrs. Grant Roberts returned home Wednesday morning from New Orleans, La., where she spent two weeks visiting her husband who is stationed there as an instructor in the U. S. Coast Guard. Mrs. Roberts has returned to her work at the Ladies' Toggery.

## Purchase Property Here

The deal has been completed by T. H. Pollock, local real estate man, for the sale of the Harry White residence and acreage on South Lincoln avenue, to M. P. Peterson, of Murray, Mr. Peterson has farmed in the Murray locality for some years and will now be located in this city.

## Returns from Hospital

Mrs. Henry Adkins returned home yesterday from St. Joseph hospital, where she underwent an operation. Mrs. Adkins is feeling greatly improved and with rest will soon be in her usual good health.

## Returns from Colorado

Mrs. G. M. Minford returned Thursday afternoon from a very pleasant outing in Colorado, spending some time at Loveland, with her sister, Mrs. W. H. Bell, and daughter, Mrs. Otto Pick. During her stay in the west Mrs. Minford had the opportunity of making several trips along the beautiful mountain trails and viewing the mountain scenery that makes Colorado one of the favorite tourist lands of the nation. While in Colorado she found one day that was so warm that it was necessary to have windows open.

## Seeing London

Lieutenant Stuart Sedlak, writing to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Sedlak, states that he has just recently had the opportunity of visiting London. He found many of the interesting historical spots of the British capital city that is now filled with the war activities of the empire.

Don't forget Lugsch Cleaner's Wednesday Special. Men's suits and top coats and spring coats—Plain dresses and mannish suits, cleaned and pressed for \$1.00. Hats cleaned and blocked 50c. Cash and carry.

## Returns From Ohio

City Attorney A. L. Tidd last evening returned home from a trip to his native state, Ohio, and a visit with his sister, Mrs. Jennie House, at Beaver. He found the sister, who is well advanced in years, able to be around altho showing the effects of her years. Mr. Tidd met many of the old family friends but his boyhood associates that he was able to contact were very few.

Mr. Tidd was fortunate in making the trip as he found the travel conditions very good and the trip made in comfort all of the way and with excellent connections both at St. Louis and Kansas City.

## Recruiters at Omaha

Lieutenant Ralph Larson, USNR, will lead a special board of Navy officers who will be in Omaha the week of October 27. The board is particularly interested in interviewing civil engineers and safety engineers who may be interested in becoming commissioned officers in the Naval Reserve.

Many engineers are needed for Construction Battalions and public works. Both college graduates and men with at least ten years experience, who have a recognized standing in their profession, are being considered. Special emphasis is placed upon the Navy's immediate need for a number of safety engineers to be assigned for duty at Naval Shore establishments throughout the country.

Headquarters for the traveling board have been established in the WOW Building, and interviews will be held there from nine in the morning until six in the evening. Lieutenant Larson stated it would not be necessary to make an appointment in advance in order to be assured of a hearing.

Accompanying the board will be Ensign Lois Swabel, WAVES Officer, who will interview young women who are interested in joining the service. Also accompanying the board will be a medical officer and several assistants who will perform official physical examinations. It is now possible for young women who apply for enlistment in the WAVES to complete their applications while the board is in session.

## County Court Notes

The probate cases in the county court Friday taken up by Judge A. H. Duxbury comprised three estates.

Hearing on claims was had in the estate of Mayme Hillman, deceased. Final hearing was had in the estate of Henry Ludwig, deceased, and the discharge of Harry Ludwig, executor ordered by the court.

The admission of the foreign will of William G. Ost was ordered by the court and William A. Ost, of Nehawka, was named as the executor.

## Ensign Receives Transfer

Ensign Maxine Cloidt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Cloidt, who has been in active service with the WAVES, located at Northampton, Massachusetts, has received a transfer to a new station word received here by the family states. Ensign Cloidt has been transferred to Boston for her new assignment to duty and is much pleased with the change.

## Enjoys Fine Time

Last evening the members of Plattsmouth aerie No. 365 of the Eagles held a very largely attended session of the aerie. There were a number of candidates received into the aerie and this was followed by a fine fish feed, some sixty-five pounds being prepared for the Eagles. Henry Donat, expert fish fryer, prepared the fish in his usual expert manner.

## Visiting Parents

Robert Burkle, of Chicago, is here for a visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Val Burkle, and his old friends. Mr. Burkle has been making his home in Chicago for the past fifteen years.

## Warren Atherton Named Head Of American Legion

Selected Unanimously by Delegates to the Omaha Convention Late Thursday

Omaha, Neb., Sept. 24. —(UP)—Warren H. Atherton, Stockton, Calif., today succeeded Roane Waring of Memphis, Tenn., as national commander of the American Legion. Atherton was elected unanimously yesterday at the closing session of the Legion's 25th annual convention.

He served as national defense chairman of the Legion since 1939. Atherton accompanied Waring on a tour of military installations in the United States and North Africa recently, and largely through his efforts, the Legion national defense committee adopted resolutions commending the policies of the allied military leaders.

The Legion went on record as favoring the United States' participation in an association to maintain peace without jeopardizing the nation's interest. It also voted to recognize the "importance and necessity of centralized controls in the interest of the war effort." The resolution said, however, that the federal government's war time controls should be returned to the states after the war.

## Death of Clarence Moore

Last evening at 7:30 occurred the death of Ira Clarence Moore at St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha, where he had been the past two weeks.

Mr. Moore has been in poor health for some time and last Thursday underwent an operation for the removal of his gall bladder. His condition became worse and yesterday had to undergo a surgical and in his weakened condition pneumonia set in from which he passed away.

Ira Clarence Moore was born on Feb. 3, 1885, in Antelope county, Mo., and passed away Sept. 24th, 1943 in Omaha, Neb.

Mr. Moore was united in marriage to Miss Nellie Mae Boetel on Jan. 31, 1917 in this city. To this union were born five children: Mrs. Hazel Adkins and Mrs. Lucile Hickman, living in Plattsmouth; Misses Alma Mae and Sylvia Moore and Harold Edward, all residing at home, who with their mother are left to mourn his passing.

There also survives two brothers, William in Missouri; Earnest of Clairmont, Mo.; one sister, Mrs. Theresa Howell of Clarinda, Ia. Also two half sisters, Mrs. Hattie Graham of Clarinda and Mrs. Jessie Mulligan in California; also a half brother, Ralph Kellogg, address unknown.

His parents preceded him in death. Mr. Moore made his home in Plattsmouth for the past several years. He had been employed at the Glenn L. Martin Co., until he was taken ill. He was a kind husband and devoted to his family. He was a member of the First Christian church of this city.

Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

The body is at the Sattler funeral home.

## Locating in Plattsmouth

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Sharpnack and son, Jerry, who have been making their home at Cleveland, Ohio, are here and will make their home in this city in the future. Mr. Sharpnack, who has been engaged in defense work at Philadelphia with the Bendix company and later at Cleveland, has secured a position with the Glenn Martin company at Fort Crook in his special line of work and now will be back in the old home. They will make their home here with Mrs. Anna Ptak, mother of Mrs. Sharpnack.

## Files Partition Suit

In the office of Clerk of the District Court C. E. Ledgway today was filed a suit in partition entitled Fred W. Backemeyer vs. Luella Backemeyer, et al. The real estate in the action covers town property in the village of Murdock.

## Attends Balloon Convention

Robert M. Walling, local abstractor, had the pleasure during the American Legion convention at Omaha, of attending a meeting of the National Balloon Veterans association, of which he is a member. The meeting brought some 131 of the old veterans to Omaha and from widely separated sections of the United States. Mr. Walling met five of the members of his own group, the 17th company that had trained at Fort Omaha in 1917, one from Los Angeles, one from Bayonne, New Jersey and one from Pendleton, Oregon, who had served overseas together with Mr. Walling.

The business sessions were held at the Athletic club and after the regular meeting Wednesday, the old veterans were guests of Major General Uhl, at Fort Omaha, the training quarters of the balloon school. The visitors were honor guests at retreat at the fort and reviewed the soldiers now located there. Following the review the old veterans then paraded over the grounds where they had once marched as trainees. The group had dinner at Fort Omaha and enjoyed a fine repast that marks Uncle Sam's "chow" for the army.

## Meeting Of The Plattsmouth Deanery At Paul

Will Be Held Tuesday Afternoon September 28th, at St. Joseph's Parish Hall

The fall meeting of the Plattsmouth Deanery, D.C.C.W., will be held Tuesday afternoon, September 28, 1943, St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Paul, at 1:30 P. M. Hostesses: Ladies of St. Joseph's Parish.)

1:00—Registration  
1:15—Board Meeting  
1:30—Formal Opening, President, Mrs. J. J. Cullen

Advancement of Colors—St. Joseph's Parish, Paul

Salute to the Flag  
Assembly singing, "America"  
Opening Prayer—Rev. Edward Orzechowski

Welcome—Rev. A. M. Faessler  
Response—Rev. Albin Bauer, C. P. S.

Greetings—Re. Rev. Msgr. George Agius, D.D., J.C.D., V.F.  
Reading of Minutes—Mrs. C. O. Zaiser, Sec'y

Report of Lincoln D.C.C.W. Convention—Mrs. F. I. Rea  
Music—St. Joseph's Parish, Paul  
Address—"Our Youth Problems in Catholic Action"—Rev. E. C. McCadden

Reports  
Introduction of Chairmen  
Chaplain's Aid—Phyllis Straub, chairman

Business Session  
Assembly Singing—"Holy God We Praise Thy Name"  
Benediction—Rt. Rev. Msgr. Adolph Mosler

Retirement of Colors  
Adjournment  
Credential Committee: Mrs. George Francois, Mrs. H. A. Straub, Miss Emma Ramold, Miss Anna Francois, Mrs. Mike McCann

Program Committee: Mrs. C. O. Zaiser, Miss Edith Francois, Mrs. J. J. Cullen

## Call Women Jurors

In compliance with the new law regarding the use of women on the juries in the district court, Otoe county has selected their panel and it embraces more women than men to serve at the forthcoming term of the district court. Judge W. W. Wilson is planning the use of women on the jury panel in Cass county as well as Sarpy in his district. Among the names drawn for service in Otoe county to replace some excused is Della Wilson, a sister of Judge Wilson.

## Visits in City

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Moore and family of Ashland were here today for a few hours, enroute to Murray where they will visit with relatives.

## OPA Extends Life Of Shoe Stamp No. 18 Indefinitely

Warned That the Next Stamp Probably Will Have to Last Six Months Instead of Four

Washington, Sept. 24. (UP)—The Office of Price Administration, alarmed by a sharp drop in the production of civilian shoes, today extended indefinitely the expiration date of shoe stamp No. 18, and warned that the next stamp probably must last six months instead of four.

Stamp No. 18, in Ration Book I was due to expire Oct. 31st. Its extension was a move to prevent last minute rush buying and to discourage people from buying shoes before they needed them.

The next stamp which may have to last six months, is No. 1 in the "airplane" series in Book III. It becomes valid Nov. 1st.

The OPA said civilian shoe rations have not been set at two pair a year, as the six month period might indicate, since increased production might permit a shortening of that time.

The OPA called the present rate of civilian consumption "critical," reporting there would be less than 25,000,000 pairs of shoes monthly during the next few months to meet the present demand for 35,000,000.

## Funeral of William Gentry

Friday afternoon Masonic rites were held for the late William Gentry, resident of the Nebraska Masonic Home, who passed away on Wednesday morning, at the Caldwell funeral home chapel.

The officers of St. John's lodge No. 25, A.F.&A.M. of Omaha were here to conduct the ritualistic services at the chapel and at the grave in the Masonic plot in the Oak Hill cemetery.

During the services two hymns were sung by Frank A. Cloidt, "It Is Well With My Soul," and "Saved by Grace."

The pallbearers were members of the Masonic order.

## Burlington Veterans Here

Charles E. Melker, superintendent of motive power C. B. & Q. lines west, Thomas Roope, retired superintendent of motive power, Julius Deitrich, retired master mechanic, Lincoln division and Harry Kean, retired general foreman of the Havlock shops, were here Wednesday to call on Billy Baird, retired shop superintendent. It was the intention of the gentlemen from Lincoln to have a group picture taken of the five as they are all that is left of the mechanical officers of the C. B. & Q. lines west, that started their railroad careers on what was then the Burlington & Missouri River railroad in Nebraska. As Plattsmouth does not have a photographer, they are unable to carry out their wishes, but Billy is planning to go to Lincoln in the near future to have it done.

## Two-Square Club

The Two-Square card club was very pleasantly entertained on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank Schiele in the Schuldice apartments. The honors were won by Mrs. Henry Starkjohn and Mrs. Fred I. Rea in the playing. The home was attractively arranged with decorations of garden flowers that added their touch to the home. The hostess served delicious refreshments at an appropriate hour that was enjoyed by the club ladies, all of whom were present.

## K-B's Meet

Mrs. James Bulin was hostess to the members of the K-B club last evening at her home on North 8th street for a very enjoyable evening at cards. In the playing Mrs. R. W. Knorr was winner of first prize, Mrs. Fred Lugsch, second and Mrs. Bulin the third. Mrs. Frank A. Cloidt was a guest of the club. The hostess served appropriate refreshments at the close of the evening.

## Grover Parriott Home

Coxswain Grover Parriott, U. S. Coast Guard, arrived home this morning for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Parriott, Sr., and the many old friends, on a ten day leave. Coxswain Parriott is nearing three years of service in the coast guard and has had a wide experience that has taken him on several trips across the seas. He is looking fine and his visit home is a very happy occasion to the family and friends. Grover was one of the stalwarts on the Plattsmouth high football team and enjoyed the game this afternoon at Athletic park.

## Don McPherson Prisoner

Plattsmouth friends, particularly old school associates here, will be interested in learning that word has been received that Sergeant Donald I. McPherson, graduate of the class of 1939 of the local school is in a Jap prison camp in the Philippines, known as camp No. 2.

It has been almost two years since word has been received of the former Plattsmouth young man, by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert I. McPherson, now of Lincoln.

Two cards were received simultaneously, though evidently sent at different times from the Jap camp, bear his handwriting and indicate that he is well. McPherson enlisted in the army in 1939 shortly after completing his school work. The last his parents had heard from him was a letter written December 27, 1941, shortly after war was declared. He was then with the air corps at Clark Field in the Philippines.

The father of Sgt. McPherson was for some time engaged here with the F. G. Fricke & Co., store and the family remained here until after the graduation of Donald and his sister, Dorothy, in 1939.

## Secret Marriage Announced

The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Louis C. Portey was announced Sunday morning at the home of the groom's mother, Mrs. Michael Portey of Falls City, Nebraska. Mrs. Louis Portey was the former Francis Crawford, daughter of Elizabeth Crawford, of Union, Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Portey were married in St. Wenceslaus Catholic church in Wahoo, Nebraska on July 6, 1943. They are making their home in Princeton, Nebraska, where Mr. Portey owns his home. Mr. Portey is at White Horse, Canada, working in defense work at the present time.

The many friends of the Porteys around Falls City wish them a lifetime of happiness.

## Death of Former Resident

The news of the death of Mrs. Barbara Norris, former resident of Cass county, has been received here by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Troop, former neighbors and old friends. Mrs. Norris passed away on Monday of this week.

The Hamilton Norris family for a great many years resided on a farm west of Murray in what was known as "Maple Grove," moving some years ago to vicinity of Coleridge, Cedar county. Mrs. Norris who was in her eighties, has for the past few years made her home with a daughter, Mrs. Jess Lowther, at Coleridge, being an invalid for the past two years.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Lowther and Mrs. F. W. Kloepping, one son, and the husband preceded her in death. There also survives three grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

The funeral and interment were at Coleridge today where Mr. Norris is buried.

## Inklers Meet

The Inklers card club met on Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Anna Ptak on Oak street, a very pleasant time being enjoyed by the ladies at bridge. Mrs. Robert Cappel and Miss Marie Horn were the winners of the games. Mrs. H. A. Schneider was a guest of the club. Decorations of roses, a gift of Frank Cloidt, brother of Mrs. Ptak, were used. The hostess served much enjoyed refreshments to the members of the party.

## Bird In Hand Still Worth Two In Bush

Nebraskan Applies Old Saying to Current Hog Market, Decides to Sell

The old saying that "a bird in the hand is worth two in the bush" may be hoary with age, but it is still as true as ever, Myrl A. Miller, of Plattsmouth, and his father-in-law, A. J. Nelson, both of Cass county, Nebraska, believe that. They were why Mr. Miller was on the Omaha market with a string of 91 Spotted Poland China hogs averaging 225 lbs. that sold at \$14.70. The way he feels about it is that prices are good now, and may not be so attractive later on.

"Normally, I'd have made my hogs fatter," he said. "But I believe prices are better now than they will be later on. In fact, if runs are as large as they lead you to believe they will be, we may have more need for the hog price 'floor' than for a ceiling this coming winter."

"When that time comes, I'm not even sure that the floor will hold. It didn't for a while last summer, you know."

Prost which struck in some localities Sunday night wasn't sharp enough to hurt any of the corn in Cass county, the two men agreed. Most of the grain there is far enough along to be safe from anything except a real freeze. Mr. Nelson raises a variety of white corn which he has found is very slow to ripen, but he doesn't believe that it has been injured thus far.

## Goes to Flight School

Acting Corporal Kenneth Wohlforth, son of Mrs. Paul Wohlforth, writes from Kessler Field, Biloxi, Miss., that he is being sent to a pre-flight school, but at the present writing he did not know which of thirty-six universities he would be sent. His one desire has been to become a pilot and this may be realized.

Ken writes: "It's really summer in the south and I like it, seems there are as many darkies as whites in this section and all that we see from Nashville south was fields of cotton and darkies to gather it. It is hot here and rains every day in this section. We stood in formation one hour in the rain last week and we liked it. Mom, we have some great discussions on the bible. I wish I knew more and more. I am enclosing something that I know you will enjoy reading, you are always sending me spiritual helps. We have the finest chaplain here to conduct bible school and church."

## Reports for Duty

Stuart Smith, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Y. Smith, of this city, Thursday evening departed for Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, where he will await an assignment in the army. He has been with the army engineers at Fort Crook and has been notified to report at Fort Leavenworth for another assignment in the engineering force of the army air corps.

The young man was the honor guest at a dinner Sunday at the home of the parents, all of the members of the family being present to greet the son and brother.

## Return to Service

Donald Snyder and Norman White, who have enjoyed a leave here with their relatives and old friends, returned last evening to Farragut, Idaho, where they will rejoin their company and be ready for assignment to active duty. Both of the young men are seamen second class.



Myrl A. Miller



A. J. Nelson