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## Holy Name Wins From Blue Devils Score 35 to 21

**Omaha Team Keeps Undeclared Record So Far This Season—Game Staged at Omaha**

Omaha Holy Name high school handed the Plattsmouth Blue Devils their fourth defeat against eight wins so far this season, on the Holy Name court Wednesday evening.

Both teams started slow and Holy Name held a 7-3 first quarter advantage and built it up to 13-6 at the half time.

The sharpshooting of Tom Gates in the third quarter gave the Omahans a twelve point lead that the locals could not overcome.

A narrow court plus a very tight zone defense held the Plattsters to a minimum of shots.

Sterling Cole led the scoring with 14 points. McGill and Gates had two each for Holy Name.

Holy Name is one of the twenty-six undefeated teams in Nebraska this year and have an excellent chance of entering tournament play that way.

The locals again invade Omaha Friday when Nebraska School for the Deaf will be the host team. The NSD boys won a two point victory here last year.

The box score of the game was as follows:

PLATTSMOUTH		FG	FT	PF	TP
Cole	6	2-4	2-14		
Thimigan	0	0-0	0-0		
Wolver	0	0-0	0-0		
Gradoville	1	1-1	1-3		
Reckard	0	0-3	1-0		
Cullen	0	0-0	0-0		
Attebury	0	0-0	0-0		
Eaton	0	0-0	0-0		
Kimball	0	0-0	0-0		
Livingston	1	2-3	3-4		
Neil	0	0-0	0-0		
	8	5-11	7-21		

HOLY NAME		FG	FT	PF	TP
J. McGill	4	2-8	2-10		
G. McGinn	0	0-0	0-0		
Gates	5	0-0	1-10		
McNahan	3	0-0	2-6		
Berzin	2	0-1	2-4		
O'Brien	0	0-0	0-0		
Elworth	0	0-0	0-0		
F. McGill	2	1-1	0-5		
Murphy	0	0-0	0-0		
	16	3-10	7-35		

Referee: Cornie Collins, Creighton Uni.

## SNOW IN WEST

Light snow and freezing drizzle reported falling in western Nebraska early today, was expected to spread to the north central portion his afternoon, and to the east tonight.

M. V. Robins, meteorologist of the Omaha Weather Bureau, forecast snow for the entire state tonight and Friday, to be accompanied in the east portion by higher temperatures. Low temperatures tonight were expected to reach 15 degrees above zero.

Temperature ranges:— Valentine 24-16; Omaha 21-7; Lincoln 19-14; North Platte 26-20; Sidney 28-18; Chadron 34-18; Grand Island 22-16; Scottsbluff 27-17; Hayes Center 22-19; Big Springs 24-19; Overton 22-18; Kearney 21-18.

## Mrs. Margaret Sullivan Dies

Mrs. Margaret Sullivan, 80, who has made her home here since November at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Richard Otterstein, passed away Wednesday afternoon at 6 o'clock at the Otterstein home. She has been in failing health for the past few months.

The deceased was the wife of Edward Sullivan, they living at Bellevue for the past fifteen years, remaining there until the illness of the wife made necessary her removal.

There is surviving, the husband, seven children, Catherine Sullivan, Chicago; George, Sidney, Nebraska; Mrs. Richard Otterstein, Plattsmouth; Don, of Bellevue; Joseph, of Sibley, Iowa; Russell, of Greeley, Nebraska; Clarence of Hastings. There are also eighteen grandchildren surviving her passing.

The body is at the Sattler funeral home at 4th and Vine streets where the Rosary will be recited this evening at 8:00.

The body will be taken to Bellevue Friday and the services held at the St. Mary's church at 10 a. m. The interment will be at the Catholic cemetery in this city.

## Honor Roll of City Schools Is Announced

**Large Group of the Student Body Gain This Rank By Their Excellent Work**

Following are the names of the students at P. H. S. who have made the honor roll for the first semester and the last quarter of the term. To achieve this honor a student must make at least three "A" 's in major subjects.

**SENIORS:** Forest Bell, Mary Sue Bordelon, John Conis, Mary Evers, Eugene Hula, Helen Kruger (semester only), Dick Livingston (quarter only), Marcella McCormick, Eldon Meisinger, Betty Meisinger, Norma Spidell.

**JUNIORS:** Phyllis Bourck, Jean Collins, Elizabeth Davis, Mary Kaye Gorder, Ralph Hild (quarter only), Marilyn Johnson, Clauden Keller, Josephine Koubek (quarter only), Mary Irene Libershal, Alyce Roberts, Eldora Shellenbarger.

**SOPHOMORES:** Marilyn Beckman, Mary Lou Becker (semester only), Keith Fitch, Kenneth Fitch, Joan Gradoville, Jean Lloyd, Charles Thomason, Kenneth Tiekotter, Marilou Warner, Emerson Wiles.

**FRESHMEN:** Jeanette Harris, Margaret Heineman (quarter only), Mary Jo Rebal, Donna Rhoden, Eugene Smith (quarter only), Richard Wolfarth.

## GIVE REAL VALENTINE

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. (U.P.)—Three service wives had a new idea in Valentines today. They sent the usual lace-and-love cards to their husbands, but they added a card from the Red Cross blood donor center saying they had just donated pints of blood.

"We figured its straight-from-the-heart-stuff," Mrs. Amy Lawton McKay, one of the wives said. "The real thing."

# Reds Smash to Oder River, Prepare to Storm Berlin; First Reports Nazis Withdrawing, Patton Advances

PARIS, Feb. 1. —(U.P.)— American 1st army headquarters today reported signs that the Germans were withdrawing from some sections of the Siegfried line against which the U. S. divisions were closing on a 40-mile attack front in Germany, Belgium and Luxembourg.

Units of the 1st and 82nd airborne divisions entered the Siegfried pill boxes east of the Malmedy area of the frontier, and found them empty and surrounded by unmarked snow—evidence that they had been abandoned for some days at least.

(A high military source in Washington interpreted the lack of German resistance on the U. S. 1st army front as a "suggestion" that the Germans had decided to abandon a large section of the Siegfried line.

At the southern end of the western front, the French first army opened a new attack in Alsace that appeared to have broken the German threat to Strasbourg.

Dispatches from Patton's front said his vanguard had thrust 2½ miles into Germany within 8 miles of Prum, the biggest transport center in the border area south of Monschau.

The captured towns were Ihren, 5 miles southeast of St. Vith and one half mile inside Germany; Winterspelt, 6 miles southeast of St. Vith; Engelsheid, 7 miles southeast of St. Vith, and Hecklalenfeld, a little over 6 miles southeast of St. Vith.

## Community Credit To Buy Surplus Corn

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 1. —(U.P.)— A total of 5,500,000 bushels of surplus corn in 13 Nebraska counties will be purchased by the War Food Administration through the Community Credit Corporation as a stockpile against future needs, Cecil Jacobsen, Lancaster county Agricultural Adjustment Agency chairman, has announced.

Counties in which the corn will be contracted include Lancaster, Cass, Cuming, Dodge, Butler, Douglas, Otoe, Sarpy, Saunders, Seward, Thurston, and Washington.

## Former Resident Yanks Tooth On Luzon Front Line

**Captain John Stuart Egenberger Crawls Under Fire to Aid Suffering Doughboy**

The United Press from Rosario, Luzon, Philippines, tells of the heroic action of Captain John Stuart Egenberger, former Plattsmouth young man in serving the needs of his troops.

Captain Egenberger is a member of the dental corps and has for the past two years been in the Pacific area.

While with his regiment at the front in the Philippines, he learned that an infantryman was suffering a toothache in a foxhole on hotly contested Hill No. 600 near Rosario.

Captain Egenberger crawled and crept half a mile through artillery and sniper fire, found the foxhole and the patient, administered novocaine and yanked out the tooth. He offered to evacuate the infantryman but the latter cuddled in his hole and said:

"I would rather stay here than go back through what you ust came through."

Captain Egenberger crawled back.

## HERE FROM KENTUCKY

Mack Daniels, of Powell county, Kentucky, is here for a visit with his brother, Everett Daniels, Sr., and family in the south part of the city.

This is the first visit of Mr. Daniels in Nebraska and he is much interested in this part of the north.



BERLIN PERIL GROWS — The capture of Stolzenberg places Russians seventy-three miles from Berlin. Red spearheads to the east of Berlin are said to be only 55 miles from the capital, while other flanking drives are reported to carry a new threat to the city. Reds take Kleinitz, Bomst and Betscho. (NEA Telephoto.)

## Commando Raid Releases 510 War Prisoners

**American and Allied Prisoners Secure Release as Troops Make Raids**

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, LONDON, Feb. 1. —(U.P.)— A daring commando raid by American rangers and Filipino guerillas last night staged the first mass rescue of allied prisoners in this war, bringing 510 captives from 25 miles behind the Japanese lines to safety, Gen. Douglas MacArthur announced today.

The raiders, composed of 121 picked men from the Sixth Ranger battalion and 286 guerillas made the rescue in a surprise attack shortly after dark on the Japanese prison camp at Cabanatuan, some 70 miles north of Manila in Nueva Ecija province.

MacArthur jubilantly announced the rescue and said the American forces achieved complete surprise over the Japanese guards, who were annihilated. Then the rangers and guerillas with their column of ragged, weary liberated prisoners engaged in a running fight with Japanese infantry and tanks, MacArthur declared in a special press release.

The commandos inflicted top heavy casualties of 523 Japanese killed and 12 tanks destroyed, to a loss of only 27 men killed and three wounded.

MacArthur said the commando unit, supported by an air cover, began their mission shortly after intelligence reports revealed the presence of a prison camp near Cebu, 25 miles from American units advancing on Manila.

MacArthur said the prisoners, who apparently had been reasonably well-fed by the Japanese were in "fair" condition. They are receiving "every care and attention," MacArthur declared, and "their rehabilitation will be rapid."

## City Conventions For February 7th

Under the provisions of the state law covering cities of this class, it will be necessary to hold the city conventions or caucus on Wednesday, February 7th.

The last legislature changed the law and advanced the holding date from the fifth to the eighth Wednesday preceding the election, so that it will be necessary to have the meetings the coming week.

With the change in the ward alignment there will be councilmen nominated from each ward for the term of one year instead of two years as the change in the wards from five to two will become effective with the election in 1946.

## Commissioners Hold Meeting

The board of county commissioners were in the city today to hold their first of the month meeting, Commissioners Henry Backemeyer of Murdock, and G. W. Hart of Louisville, arriving early for the session.

The local commissioner, Charles W. Stoehr, met the other members of the board at the court house.

In view of the fact that the regular commissioners room at the court house is undergoing decorating, the meeting was held at the private office of the county clerk's suite.

## NOTICE REBEKAHS

A meeting of the Rebekah Lodge will be held in the I. O. O. F. hall on Friday evening February second. All members are urged to be present.

## Planning New Tuck In Amount Of Civilian Meat

**Neither Army or Lend Lease Secure the Needed Amount of Meat From Supply**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1. —(U.P.)— The government is getting ready to take a new tuck in the already slim meat rations of civilians, War Food Administration officials revealed today.

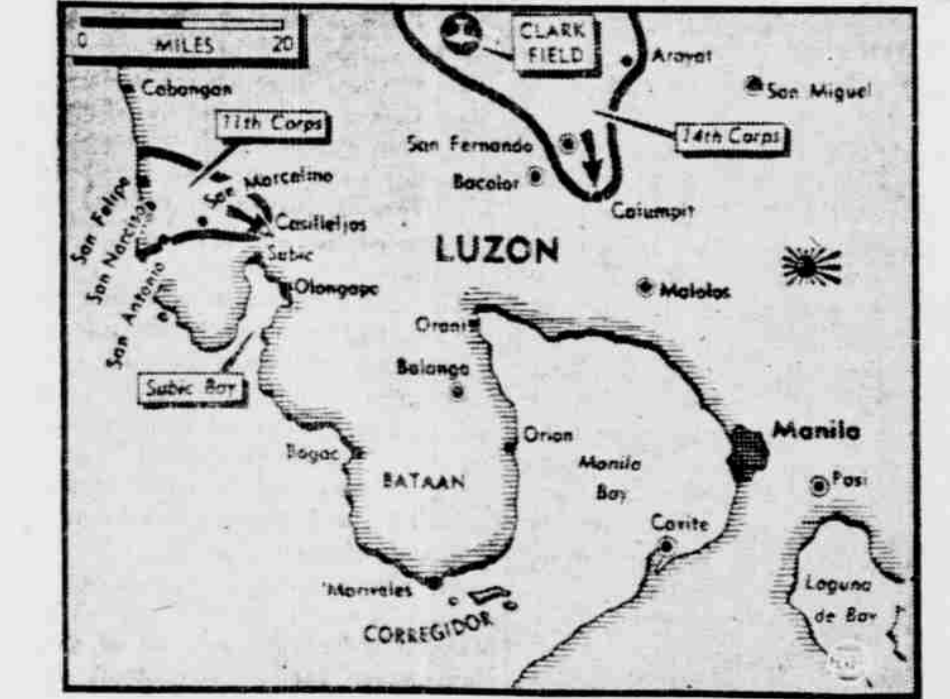
The officials said that neither the army nor lend-lease has been getting enough meat under the present purchase program and warned that an upward revision was imminent in the amounts of beef and pork that packing plants must reserve for government purchase.

The government already buys about 40 percent of all pork and about 35 percent of all beef produced. Only meat slaughtered under federal inspection is subject to the government set-aside.

Roughly half of all meat produced in federally-inspected plants is channeled to military and WFA purchase.

The WFA officials said this restriction had resulted in an unequal distribution of available meat supplies. The worst shortages were said to have developed in areas relying on federally-inspected plants for their meat, while areas supplied by small slaughterers were relatively little affected.

As result of the pressure of civilian demands for meat, WFA said, an increasing number of small plants have sprung up outside federal inspection. These have pulled more and more meat animals from packing plants which supply non-civilian requirements.



LUZON LANDING SURPRISES JAPS — Surprise landing of the Eighth Army on the west coast of Luzon seals off Bataan Peninsula, cutting the Jap island defenses into four pockets. The forces head for former U. S. naval base at Olongapo on Subia Bay, first major objective. (NEA Telephoto.)