

### City Council Hears Views on Recreation

In Addition to Recreational Plans Council Hears Discussion of Buying Maintainer

The first regular meeting of the city council for the month of May was held Monday evening with all members present and an evening of much discussion before them.

The reports of the various officers were read. That of City Treasurer M. D. Brown, showing a balance of \$26,940.73 to the credit of the city while City Clerk Albert Olson reported collecting the sum of \$96 for the month. Police Judge C. L. Graves reported for the week of April 29th, six arrests and fines and costs of \$69.50 and for the week of May 6th two arrests and fines and costs of \$16.50.

A communication was received from the Plattsmouth fire department announcing that James V. Davis and Clyde Rosborough had been named as members of the department to serve in place of members in the armed service.

A communication was received from J. C. Petersen asking license to operate a billiard and recreational parlor for the coming year and enclosing check for the fee. This was on motion referred to the license committee.

The Plattsmouth cemetery board filed their report with the council that was received and placed on file.

Charles F. Ault of the city park board and Judge Paul E. Fauquet were present in the interest of a recreational program of sports activities for the boys and girls of the community in the form of softball leagues and also baseball.

Judge Fauquet stated that the plans for ten or twelve teams in a league had been prepared that some supervisory force would be necessary and this would probably make necessary the employment of someone at part time to look over the fields and the playing.

Another of the needs that the committee found, was that there was need of more wiring and poles for lights on the playing field for night games.

The need for a fence around the Athletic park to secure the payment of admissions was also discussed, it being suggested that a wood fence be placed at the west and along the north side of the park to keep out those not helping in the cost of operating.

Mayor Hayes suggested that some definite figure on the cost of a fence should be secured. Judge Fauquet urged that the city give some support to the program and it was finally voted to have the city donate \$100 for the work.

Judge Fauquet also spoke of another of the plans thought of that would be of worthwhile value to the community, that of securing the former Tom Parmele residence in the south part of the city for a home for the Cass County Historical Society and the eighteen acres that surround the place be made into a recreational park.

Chairman Olson of the tax and property committee, reported on the bid of Mrs. Sadie Jones for tax owned property in the south part of the city and recommended that the bid be accepted and the mayor and clerk be authorized to go ahead with the closing up of the matter.

Chairman Olson also presented a resolution allotting a number of tax title properties owned by the city for sale in the near future. Attorney A. L. Tidd was selected as the agent for the city in handling the sales.

There was discussion for some time of the matter of securing equipment for the street department to replace the present outworn machinery, but no action in the matter at this time.

The application of Martin Kroeger for a license to sell liquor by the drink was received and the hearing set for Friday, May 18th at the council chamber.

Chairman Painter of the fire and water committee reported visiting the pumping station of the water plant and inspecting the new equipment that is now installed at the plant. He reported that the board of public works had plans for additional improvements in the future.

The city council took up the matter of the completion of the public rest room for the ladies to be located in a part of the present scale house. The council voted to let the contract for carpenter work to the Tiekotter Brothers and for plumbing to George Hall, he work to start as soon as possible.

### Entertain for Heil Family

Wednesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Louis Tiekotter entertained at their home for Mr. and Mrs. Guy Heil and daughter, Patty, of Burbank, California.

The event was in the nature of a dinner party and the guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Heil, Mr. and Mrs. Louis H. Heil, of Omaha and the Louis Tiekotter family.

Mr. Guy Heil departed today for the west coast to resume his work while the family will remain here for a longer visit with the relatives.

### Death of Mrs. H. R. Schmidt At Daughter's Home

One of the Old Residents of the Murdock Community Dies at Home of Mrs. Robert Stock

The death of one of the long time and prominent residents of the west part of Cass county occurred Wednesday morning at 5 o'clock when Mrs. H. R. Schmidt, 78, passed away at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Robert Stock.

Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt have long made their home in the Murdock community and have been active in the civil and social life of that part of Cass county, until the death of Mr. Schmidt three years ago.

There is left to mourn her death, one son, Louis Schmidt, Murdock; four daughters, Mrs. William Winkler, Lincoln; Mrs. Hilda Eckery, Alvo; Mrs. Vesta Streish, Murdock and Mrs. Robert Stock.

### Jack Hadraba Is Home From Carson

Late Thursday evening Pfc. Jack Hadraba, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Hadraba, arrived home from Camp Carson, Colorado, for a furlough here with the parents and old time friends.

Pfc. Hadraba is a veteran of the American offensive in Europe and was in Patton's army in its great drive across France to the German frontier, where he was wounded and spent some time in a hospital, later rejoining his outfit for some of the heavy fighting on the front. He suffered the freezing of his feet during the last days of the winter campaign and has since been hospitalized.

He was evacuated to the receiving hospital at Charleston, South Carolina and from there sent west to the Camp Carson hospital.

He was awarded the purple heart medal for his wounds received in action.

### Here to Visit Grandmother

William Marek, seaman second class, is in the city to visit at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Oscar Gopen, and the other relatives and friends in this city and vicinity.

William is in the merchant marine and has just returned from a voyage to Belgium where he assisted in delivering supplies to the armed forces.

He has been visiting at home and decided to visit the grandmother, making the trip from the Michigan city by hitchhiking and arrived here in good time.

### Sgt. James Schafer Is Now Released

The friends over Cass county of S. Sgt. James Schafer, will be pleased to learn that he is again restored to the American forces after being a prisoner of war of the Germans for a period of several months.

The parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schafer of near Nehawka, have received word of the fact that the son was safe in the American lines and at the time was in Belgium.

It is hoped that he may soon be able to return to the United States and home.

S. Sgt. Schafer has had a long service in the European field and had a great many missions over enemy territory until he was forced down and made a prisoner.

This is a matter that has been urged for many months and the action of the city will go a long way toward solving the problem for the community.

### Maxine Cloidt Is Given New Promotion

Now Advanced to the Full Grade of Lieutenant in the Naval Forces of the Nation

Lt. (jg) Maxine Cloidt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Cloidt, has just received an advancement in rank to that of lieutenant full grade, a fine recognition of her excellent service in the WAVES.

Lt. Cloidt is now stationed in the finance department at the national naval medical center, Bethesda, Maryland.

While she has no part in the administration of the medical part of the center her offices are located in the hospital building where she has a fine office and facilities.

The naval center is at the Walter Reed hospital, chief of the national hospital units and here are treated some of the leading figures in the army and navy as well as the senators and congressmen that may need a check-up. Here General John J. Pershing has made his home in the past two years.

### Murdock

W. T. WEDDELL, Correspondent

Mrs. A. E. Bradford and children, of Beatrice, were over Sunday guests of Mrs. Bradford's parents Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Tool.

Martin Bornemeier of Bethany was looking after business matters in Murdock Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Bornemeier and son, Miss Viola Everett and Kenny Gerdis were Lincoln visitors Monday.

The rains of Sunday and Monday here retarded planting of corn as well as other work but on May 15th 1907 corn that had been planted was under snow the listed furrows being level full of snow.

Miss Myrtle Wood was in Lincoln Monday and had an opportunity to see the Wilson packing company's big six horse team that weigh an average of 2000 pounds. This team took part in the 7th war bond parade.

Richard and Lois McDonald were east bound passengers on the Tuesday morning train.

W. L. Weddell spent the week end in Lincoln with his children and grand children.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Seikjost were Elmwood visitors Tuesday.

### S-Sgt. Grant Now Free From Germans

Friday morning the message was received here by L. A. Caldwell, Cass county home service chairman of the Red Cross, that made another Cass county home very happy.

This was a message notifying Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grant that their son, S. Sgt. Harold W. Grant, taken a prisoner some months ago in the European theatre of war, was now freed.

The family reside on the farm near this city and for a long time they mourned the son as missing in action until the notification of his being a prisoner of war.

### Mrs. E. J. Ferrie Has Visit From Sister

The home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Ferrie near this city was the scene of a very pleasant surprise Thursday when Mrs. Fred Bohn and son, Patrick, of San Francisco, arrived here in company with Mrs. Arthur Cook and son, Sheridan, for a short visit.

Mrs. Bohn is a sister of Mrs. Ferrie and this is the first time in nineteen years that the two sisters have met and it is a very happy one.

From here Mrs. Bohn and son go to St. Paul and Rochester, Minnesota, for a visit before returning to the west, while Mrs. Cook and son are locating in a new home in Iowa.

### Mrs. Roy Howard Is Improving

The reports from the Immanuel hospital at Omaha are to the effect that Mrs. Roy Howard is showing a very pleasing improvement.

She had undergone a severe operation on Tuesday and the latest reports are to the effect that she is responding in fine shape.

### Union

Mrs. L. G. TODD, Correspondent

Mrs. Winnie Crawford and Mrs. Gallant Rakes spent last week end in Oakdale, Nebr., visiting Mrs. Sam ugh and her mother, Mrs. Edgar Fletcher, who is in very frail health at this time.

Nell and Pearl Bramblet entertained the Woman's Society at their home last Thursday afternoon. Twelve wadies were present.

Miss Alice Christensen, who is teaching the Buck School, was taken to an Omaha hospital last Thursday afternoon, where she will undergo an appendix operation.

The Union Schools closed Friday, May 17th. A picnic held at the park at noon was the last activity for the year.

Mrs. Tom McQuire is still very ill at her home. Her daughter Iola is caring for the mother at this time.

Don't forget the Bond Rally next Tuesday evening, May 22nd, at the Legion Building if weather does not permit an outdoor meeting. There will also be war movies. Don't forget the date—and be sure and be there, ready to do your best.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers called on Rev. Taenzler and family last Saturday afternoon.

D. R. Lynde of Denver, Colo., visited his sistr, Mrs. L. R. Upton this week end.

The American Legion Auxiliary met at the home of Miss Violet Dye with Mrs. Bertha Hathaway as assistant hostess. The ladies voted to send one dollar for each of their six Gold Star Service men to the Veterans hospital for their Memorial organ.

Mr. Frank Martin is improving slowly at St. Mary Hospital at Nebraska City, which is very pleasing news to his many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Howe and three children, of Marion, Indiana, visited for a few hours with the L. S. Howe family last Sunday. Mr. Howe is being transferred to Government work in Lincoln.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Moore and son of Omaha, visited Mrs. Joyce Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Snodgrass last Sunday.

Mrs. Nina Upton spent Mother's Day at Elmwood with her daughter and family, the Whittemore family.

Elizabeth Faris, Finkle and Joyce Moore attended the 8th Grade exercises at Nebraska City last week.

Donald Rathe of Omaha attended the Baccalaureate Services at the Methodist church last Sunday evening. Donald was a member of the Senior class while he resided here.

Miss Mary Roddy entertained the members of the Senior Class and the teachers of our Union Schools, at her home last Friday evening. The guests enjoyed cards and dancing.

There will be a bond Rally in Union next Tuesday evening May 22 for Liberty Precinct. There will be war movies and if weather is bad meeting will be held in the Legion Building. Please do remember the date and be there.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Todd entertained at their home for Mother's Day the following guests—Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rathe, Donald and Wilma, of Omaha, Mrs. Hazel Borcharding and daughter Shirley from Nebraska City and Mrs. L. G. Todd of Union. The dinner was grand—and the few short hours of visiting passed too swiftly.

The following ladies were in Nebraska City last Saturday afternoon, Nell and Pearl Bramblet, Miss Vera Lane, Pearl Banning, Mrs. Delbert Lindsey and daughter Norma, Mrs. Burris and Mrs. L. G. Todd.

The Home Economics Class, with their instructor Mrs. John Franz, gave a Style Show and Tea at Union High School last Friday afternoon. The following girls modeled their finished garments: Virginia Attebery—Geraldine Attebery, Gertrude True, Evelyn Zorn, Helen Neil Pauline Lechner, Phyllis Leiner, Elizabeth Crunk and Margaret Alley. Evelyn Pearsley was the Reader announcing each modeling. The nine girls sang two songs with Mrs. Guerra accompanying them on the piano, Ruth Morris gave a whistling solo accompanied by Mrs. Guerra and Margaret Alley gave a reading. After these exercises Mrs. Franz and the girls served the guests cake and tea at a very dainty and well arranged tea table lighted with petty pink candles.

Gene Roddy recently received a letter from Dale Bugbee stating he has sold his fruit farm at

### Junior Woman's Club Holds Fine Meeting Monday

Officers Are Installed in Very Colorful Social Gathering Monday Evening

The Junior Woman's club held their installation of officers and the spring party Monday evening at the parlors of the First Methodist church, a very large number being present to take part in the event.

"The United Nations" was the theme of the program of the evening and this was presented in the tastefully decorated church parlors. In the decorations the committee comprised Phyllis Littrell, Shirley Speck, Phyllis Speck, Joyce Logsdon and Ruth Koziol.

The group joined in singing "God Bless America." Attorney Madge Garnett presided as the toastmistress of the occasion and was very clever in this role.

The members joined in toasts to the following:

To Great Britain—Margie Worth and Ada Kraybill  
To France—Shirley Mayabb  
To China—Alice Sharpnack  
To Russia—Edith Holt and Lois Long  
To Czechoslovakia—Wilma Swatek

To the United States—Hazel McCord and Mary Hicks

Miss Helen Farley, the retiring president gave a very fine talk in expressing the support of the members in the past year.

Miss Wilhelmina Henriksen made the presentation of the retiring officers and the installing of the new officers.

The retiring officers were: Helen Farley, president; Florence Fouchek, vice president; Rose Janca, secretary; Olga York, treasurer.

The new officers of the club installed were: Esther Donz, president; Darlene Hennings, vice-president; Doris Lutz, secretary; Joan Tiekotter, treasurer.

The banquet was served by the Dorens circle of the women's church group.

### Lois Giles Goes To Hawaii School

Miss Lois Giles has accepted a position as Instructor in Education at the University of Hawaii in Honolulu for the coming school year. She is to be in charge of one of the five nursery school groups in the preschool unit and will also supervise work of student teachers in the Teachers college there. The position is similar to the one Miss Giles now holds at the University Elementary School of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor.

Two of the other nursery teachers also accepting positions in the preschool unit next year are Elizabeth Turner of Utica, New York, and Virginia Saegmuller of Arlington, Virginia. The three young ladies met recently in Detroit and visited together at the Merrill-Palmer School where all had done graduate work.

### Tuesday Big Day For the Students

Tuesday was a big day for the students of the Plattsmouth high school, especially those of the two higher grades, seniors and juniors of the school on the hilltop.

The seniors started the fun with making the occasion "kid day", they appearing at the school in all manner of costume that might remind them of the younger years when they had first started in the carefree school life. Strange garb was to be seen and many carried their playthings of the childhood days to school and had a good time for the day.

The Juniors of the school organized their outing for the afternoon and when the school day was about over, in trucks and cars, took off for our neighboring city of Glenwood where they enjoyed a picnic party that all will long remember as one of the pleasant events of the school days.

### HERE FROM ILLINOIS

Mrs. Lynn O. Minor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Pollock is here on a visit of a week or ten days. Mrs. Minor is here from Kankakee, Illinois.

Peru and will move to Norfolk, Nebraska about June first, where he will be employed in the Veteran's Administration work. Mr. and Mrs. Bugbee were instructors in old Union Schools several years ago.

### Plattsmouth Veteran Home

T5 Kenneth Schmitt is enjoying a visit in this section of the west with the members of his family and the old time friends. He has been spending the past week with his parents at Atlantic, Iowa, and is now here to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Solomon, parents of Mrs. Schmitt.

T5 Schmitt has returned from fourteen months spent overseas in the Pacific theater of war. He has had service in New Guinea and later in the Philippines with the American forces.

Coming from the tropic heat of the south Pacific, he finds the present Nebraska chill a great difference from the usual hot weather.

He has a thirty day furlough home and will then report to the general hospital at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, for a check up and for reassignment.

### Weeping Water Man Freed in Germany

L. A. Caldwell, county chairman of the Home Service department of the American Red Cross, today received a message conveying the news of the fact that Sgt. Merle Davidson, of Weeping Water, had been freed in Germany.

The young man was a prisoner of the Germans and has been restored to the American forces and will probably be allowed to return home soon.

Mr. Caldwell notified Mrs. Lois Davidson of the fact of the release, a most pleasant message.

### Elmwood

MRS. GRACE PLYBON, Correspondent

Mrs. Lodge Caygill of Long Beach, California, is visiting her daughters and friends in this county.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Capwell spent Mother's Day in Lincoln, with her mother Mrs. Arnold, and attended church services there.

Norma Beryl Clements came home from University on Friday, accompanied by a friend Miss Kay Diers.

Mrs. Ray Preston and Mr. Elmer Preston were Lincoln visitors on Friday. Mr. Preston staying for several days visit at the homes of his daughter and his son Milton, the latter being now recuperating from an operation three weeks ago.

Three senior play on Friday night, "The Cannibal Queen" was given to a crowded house. The class and teachers are much pleased with the receipts. Miss Rosemary John, school principal, acted as coach, the players did their parts very well.

Mrs. John Creamer of Ogalalla came to spend Mother's Day with the home folk here, Arlene Brookhagen came down from Lincoln on Friday to attend the play and visit friends.

Miss Patty Boyles of Liberty, Nebraska was recently married to Richard Stake of Burchard. Patty is finishing high school this year, however, as her husband is in a service camp in this country, as yet.

Richard Wall, known as Dick here, passed away in California and was buried in Lincoln last week.

Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Ling called on five patients at the hospital in Lincoln on Sunday afternoon, and later visited relatives. Several of the ladies went to the new home of Mrs. Harry Wilson on Monday afternoon, and worked to get the place ready for her when she can come home from Bryan Memorial.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bornemeier and son of California are visiting his parents, the Wm. Bornemeiers, and hers, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rhoden. Heres hoping their work there may not be so much longer, and that they'll be at home here, again.

Three very special musical numbers were given at Methodist church Mother's Day and Thanksgiving services. Janice and Janet Reeder of Plattsmouth sang "Flowers for Mother," the ladies quartette gave "Land of Mine" and Norma Clements sang "Mother MacChree." The new song books were used for the first time in the church school and a little dedication service was held.

Mr. John Zoz passed away at his home near Murdock on Saturday, the funeral and burial service will be at Elmwood on Tuesday.

Mrs. Gertrude Davis of Lincoln visited here over the week end. She will soon be coming here for the summer.

### Local Boy on New Cruiser In The Pacific

Bobbie Burden Is One of the Crew of Recently Commissioned Cruiser In The Pacific.

Aboard a new U. S. cruiser somewhere in the Pacific, (delayed)—Bobbie Burden, 20, electrician's mate, third class, of 12238 Oxnard St., North Hollywood, California, whose mother, Mrs. C. M. Davenport, lives at Herold Apt., Plattsmouth, Nebraska, helped take this new ship into battle for the first time against the Japanese.

Her guns sent two Japanese bombers crashing into the sea not far from Japan, and the carriers she defended so well are free to launch their planes.

Yesterday, "business as usual" was the plan of the day, and outwardly the officers and men carried on as if they had no notion of the imminence of battle. But they all knew that just over the horizon lay the mainland of Japan.

Within each officer and man there was a mounting tension that made itself known in little things. A few Bibles appeared, some new, some dog-eared and worn; there was louder laughter than usual, more zealous attempts at horse-play. A quiet checking of battle gear, or the studied writing of letters gave evidence of serious thought. Men asked each other what difference there was between a Jap plane and the hundreds of targets they had so efficiently knocked from the skies.

Today, shortly after dawn, when the first Jap "Betty" stole through a curtain of ack-ack and let loose its bombs, the men knew there was a difference.

The next plane did not get through; it dissolved in the focal fire of a barrage from the ships of the task force. A third one, intent on sowing destruction on the deck of a carrier, broke through, but it was riddled with flack and diverted. Other planes came in to meet the fierce anti-aircraft fire of this cruiser and other ships of the force, but they were repelled. The carriers moved on toward their goal.

This evening the Captain of this newly-baptized cruiser spoke his station on the bridge to the men at their battle stations. The planes of returning U. S. air-men speckled the sky as they maneuvered for landings.

The Captain's words were proud: "Objective realized. Losses of task force aircraft light. Damage to the enemy severe.

"For this ship, two Jap planes; one probable. For you of the crew, well done, shipmates!"

The Jap is aware that a new ship has joined Uncle Sam's first team.

Seniors "Sneak Day" at Lincoln

The members of the senior class might be seen early Wednesday morning winding their way to the business section of the city with well laden baskets and bundles of lunch that was to carry them through a day of outing in "Sneak Day."

The class met at the court house where members of the class had arranged cars that carried the party on to Lincoln, the goal of the class. There they spent the day visiting many of the places of interest that included the capitol building, the university and the various institutions that are centered in Lincoln.

This is one of the big days in the lives of the seniors and the local class was prepared to enjoy theirs to the utmost.

Donald Allen on Way Home

Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Allen received a telephone call from their youngest son, Donald Allen, who is in the naval service of his country.

Donald stated that he had received a leave and was leaving on Tuesday for Plattsmouth and a visit with the parents and other relatives in this section.

Attend County Court Friday

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Taylor of Weeping Water and Bert Lynn, of Geneva, Nebraska, were in the city Friday for a few hours.

They were attending the county court hearing on the estate of Mary E. Johnson, deceased.

### Recreational Program Being Developed

Would Provide for Soft Ball and Also Baseball for the Players of Community

Sometime ago the plans were launched for some definite recreational program for the young people, one that would include athletic relaxation for the boys and young men of the community.

A meeting was held recently and at that time a committee was appointed composed of Judge Paul E. Fauquet, Lester Thimgan and Charles F. Ault, to get some definite plans outlined.



JUDGE PAUL FAUQUET

The plans are now underway for a meeting to be held this week on either Thursday or Friday for the more permanent set-up of the plans and it is hoped to have a large attendance of the men and boys to talk over the situation as regards getting softball teams lined up, or both as far as the matter goes.

It is hoped at the meeting to get officers elected and the committees appointed to go ahead with plans for the launching of the leagues and getting ready to play.

The matter is being taken up with the city council to secure some support in regards to the fencing of the Athletic field on Washington avenue and also the cooperation of other organizations in the helping out on the fence.

This is a good move to provide healthful and good recreation for the boys and young men of the community and a fine response ought to be given.

### Local Man With Scouting Squad

Donald E. Kellison, Jr., aviation metalsmith third class, U.S.N., of 509 South First Street, Plattsmouth, Nebraska, has returned from a tour of duty in the Central Pacific where he was attached to a scouting squadron.

Kellison, attached to Scouting Squadron 53, was one of the maintenance men who had the important job of keeping the squadron's aircraft conditioned for flight.

Scouting Squadron 53 had the vital job of conveying our troops, ships and supplies to forward areas.

The 20-year-old airman joined the 53rd in December, 1943. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Kellison of 509 South First Street, Plattsmouth. A former student of Hamburg Elementary School, Kellison entered the Navy in April, 1943.

### Jean Goodchild Married in West

The announcement has been received here of the marriage of Miss Jean Goodchild, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Goodchild, former residents here, to Ivan K. Davidson, U. S. Navy.

The wedding occurred on Wednesday, May 9, at St. Bridget's Catholic church in Los Angeles.

The Goodchild family have made their home on the west coast in the past few years after leaving Plattsmouth.

Mrs. Davidson is a granddaughter of Mrs. P. A. Horn of this city and a niece of Lucile Horn Gaines, register of deeds and Miss Marie Horn and John Horn of this city.

The young people are to make their home at Los Angeles for the present at least as the groom is stationed there at this time.