

Taxpayers Discuss County Finances At Special Meeting Friday Night

Cass county commissioners once again were the center of discussion Friday night at a taxpayers meeting in the Agricultural Hall in Weeping Water.

Main purpose of the meeting was to give aroused taxpayers more information concerning county expenditures and to discuss the advisability of having an audit survey made of county books.

After hearing talks by Ray Johnson, state auditor and Taxpayers League, the group decided to form a taxpayers organization and elect officers.

Officers elected were: William Banning, Union, president; Henry Wendt, Elmwood, vice-president; and J. Herman Rauth, Weeping Water, secretary-treasurer.

A suggestion was made that the taxpayers organization appoint a committee to consider the advisability of having a survey made. However, Chris Metzger, Cedar Creek, pointed out that the Livestock Feeders Association had already selected a similar committee to do the same thing.

The group voted to authorize the feeders association committee to act in taxpayers behalf also. This committee will meet with the county commissioners at the courthouse in Plattsmouth on Friday evening, November 2.

Members of the committee are: Chris Metzger, Cedar Creek, chairman; A. W. Ost, Nehawka; W. F. Nolte, Plattsmouth; William Bornemeier, Elmwood; and Fred Rehmeier, Weeping Water.

State Auditor Ray Johnson pointed out that during the war years the counties couldn't spend much money on roads because materials were too scarce. Therefore he explained, most counties built up considerable reserves. However, no such reserve was built up in Cass county, he said.

"As I see it," Johnson said "it is the duty of this group to study the county budget in my office. Most of you are especially interested in three or four particular funds. These are the road fund, road drag fund, county highway fund and the bridge fund. Investigation of each of these is simple."

Johnson declared, "I would suggest that you select a committee to represent you, and to find out the questions in your minds, and then meet with the Livestock group and we'll get together on this thing. My office will help you in every way possible."

Frank Arnold, speaking for the taxpayers league, explained the type of survey audit his organization wants to make for Cass county—at a cost of \$350.

"Our survey is not an audit in the same sense of the word as the audit made by the state office. We classify and analyze all expenditures in detail to show exactly where every cent of money goes."

As the matter stands it is up to the committee, representing both the Livestock Feeders Association and the newly formed taxpayers organization, to decide whether they should spend \$350 for a survey or let the state auditor break down into further detail the audit he has already completed on the county.

Those who attended the meeting from Plattsmouth included Walter Smith, Ruth Patton, George Sayles, William Puls, and Robert Stauffer.

Buck School Has Halloween Party

UNION—(Special to the Daily Journal)—A Halloween program was given at the Buck School Tuesday evening with Miss Alice Christensen, teacher, and her pupils entertaining the group with a program.

"Penny Voting" was conducted by Melvin Todd, Carl Cross and Dale Topfiff. Prize for the "most thoughtful man" was a close race between Jack Harris and Melvin Todd with Melvin finally winning the prize, a bouquet of artificial flowers, which he had to share with his wife.

Next prize was for "the woman who does the most mending" and was won by Mrs. Jack Harris, who was presented with two packages of safety pins. Last contest was the deciding of who was "the most bashful couple" and George Stine and Ruth James were awarded the prize, a sack of candy kisses.

Melvin Todd held the lucky number that won the fifteen pound turkey. A luncheon was served later in the evening by the women of the district and money was collected and presented to Miss Christensen and her pupils.

Victory Loan Meetings Soon

Harold C. Elliott, chairman of the Victory Loan Drive for Cass county, said Saturday, that he will hold a series of meetings with the bond workers next week. Special plans will be discussed and supplies issued to those selling bonds.

There will be a meeting for bond captains and solicitors in Plattsmouth at the district court room Saturday night, November 3. This meeting will be for all bond workers in the city of Plattsmouth precinct, Murray, East Rock Bluff and West Rock Bluff.

Other meetings will be held in Alvo in the high school building at eight p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 31 and in Weeping Water at the Agricultural Hall on Thursday, November 1.

Most discussed topic in Plattsmouth Wednesday morning was the city council's abrupt about face in stripping all powers from the recreational planning committee.

Many people expressed the opinion that this action was not exactly necessary and felt that it is a direct slap in the face to the civic organizations which have backed the committee and even pledged monetary support.

One member of the committee said: "We are all naturally disappointed to see things happen this way. We were all surprised too. Most of us knew there is an element of opposition against our plans in town but I guess we underestimated how strong the opposition is."

One prominent professional man made the following statement: If there was anything wrong with the resolution passed for the planning committee two weeks ago it could have been worked out and agreed upon without throwing the whole matter out the window. After all, the committee is made up of responsible citizens and taxpayers who have spent a lot of their own time and some money in trying to do something worth while for Plattsmouth.

Their time is just as valuable and their interest in Plattsmouth just as keen as that of the janitors, box car builders, and bankers that make up the council."

Nearly everyone questioned about the action expressed wonder as to just why such a complete change was made in the council's decision.

One man said, "It seems to me to be a rather drastic way to handle matters that so vitally affect the whole community."

Several people laughed when they heard of the decision. "That's the way things go in Plattsmouth," one remarked. "When it comes to civic progress I guess we just aren't there. I thought this time though the committee really had something."

And so the pot boils.

Meet the Bookkeeper



New on the staff of the Daily Journal is Mrs. Iola Ofe who assumed the duties of bookkeeper on October 8. Mrs. Ofe worked for two years at the bomber plant in the production department where she did general office work. She has lived in Plattsmouth for many years and has one son, Carl, who is in the eighth grade. She is a member of the Episcopal church and lives at the Coronado apartments.

School Teachers Go To Convention Thurs. and Fri.

Plattsmouth school children will receive a two-day holiday Thursday and Friday of this week. All schools will be closed so the teachers may attend the annual state teachers convention. The teachers are required to attend the convention but have a choice as to where they wish to go.

The state is divided into six districts, each having a different location for their meetings. District No. 1 meets in Lincoln; No. 2 in Omaha; No. 3 in Norfolk; No. 4 in Kearney; No. 5 at McCook and Holdrege; and No. 6 at Scotts Bluff.

Most of the Plattsmouth teachers are expected to attend the sessions in Omaha but few will probably wish to go to Lincoln.

One Plattsmouth teacher, Margaret Iverson, is a candidate for the office of secretary-treasurer of district No. 2.

T. I. Friest, superintendent of schools, is chairman of registration for district No. 2. Registration headquarters will be at the Hotel Fontenelle in Omaha. Plattsmouth teachers who assist with the registration will be Edith Peterson, Mary Hicks, Ruth Dickinson, Ethel McCamley, Lucille Williams, Esther Peterson, Elvina Zastrow and Rose Probsaka.

Registration will start at 4 p.m. Wednesday with school in Plattsmouth closing at 3 p.m. to give the teachers a chance to make transportation connections. Those working on the registration will be on shifts designed to allow them to attend all sessions of the convention.

Meetings in Omaha will be held in the Paramount Theatre, Central high school, and Joslyn Memorial building. There will be a court-pledged program sponsored by the Omaha Chamber of Commerce and the Retailers Association will be held in the Technical high school.

Thursday afternoon a complimentary tea is scheduled for the women teachers and on Friday night there will be a banquet for men teachers only.

Headline speakers for the convention are: Howard Pierce Davis, authority on world affairs; Ray Clark, war correspondent and radio commentator; Dr. John A. East and Dr. Gerald Wendt, science editor of "Time."

Divisional and institute speakers include Dr. Gertrude Hildreth, teacher's college, Columbia University; Dr. Royce Brewster, U. S. office of education; Elyl Alpenfels, University of Chicago; Helen Manley, director of health and physical education at the University of Kansas; Dr. C. H. McCloy, University of Iowa; and Dr. W. H. Waite, University of Omaha.

Margaret Iverson is Elected Secretary

OMAHA, Neb. —(AP)—M. G. Farrow, superintendent of schools at Fremont, Friday was elected president of District 2, Nebraska State Education Association. Florence Reynolds, principal of Madison and Highland schools, Omaha, was chosen vice-president, and Margaret Iverson, teacher at Plattsmouth, was elected secretary-treasurer.

Miss Iverson is principal of Columbian School here and outstanding in educational circles.

Rotarians Hear Lt. Arthur Leopold

Navy Lieutenant Arthur Leopold was featured speaker at the Rotary Club luncheon at the Plattsmouth Hotel Tuesday. Leopold told of his own experiences in the South Pacific. His talk was scheduled in recognition of Navy Day which is Saturday, November 27.

The only visiting rotarian at the meeting was Roy Ojers of Nebraska City.

John Schreiner, new member of the Rotary Club, was introduced by Dr. P. T. Heineman.

Other guests at the meeting were District Judge Thomas E. Dunbar, County Judge Paul E. Faquet and Jim Lemares, recently discharged from the navy.

Red Cross Wants Packages for Men on High Seas

The Plattsmouth Women's club is contacting all local organizations to seek their cooperation and help in preparing Red Cross packages for Christmas for men on the high seas.

The following is a letter from Mrs. A. B. Sraemer, chairman of camp and hospital council service for the Cass County chapter of Red Cross addressed to the president of the Women's Club: "Dear Club President:

Last year your club so generously aided the camp and hospital service council of the Red Cross with their Christmas on the high seas project that we are asking your cooperation again this year. Although the fighting is over, there will still be boys on the high seas at Christmas time this year who will have no other Christmas except what the Red Cross makes possible. We do not want to let them, our service men, down this year each package is to have a value of approximately two dollars. They are to be gift wrapped and the enclosed sticker put on each package with the items checked.

Names need not be omitted this year so you can put your name as well as the name of your club on the card so that you may hear from the recipient of your gift.

These packages should reach me by November 1 so that I may express them to San Francisco."

Suggested articles to be included in the gift packages include greeting cards, writing portfolio, pencils, gum and hard candy, photo folder, crossword puzzle book, joke book, clothes brush, waltz, toothbrush, razor blades, pipe and tobacco, stationery, cigarettes, soap, deck of cards, pocket size books, small games, oilskin pouch, handkerchief, washcloth, campfire, nail file and manicure scissors and comb.

Leonard J. Snell Sends Home Copy Of 'Nippon Times'

Mrs. Leonard J. Snell recently received a Sunday edition of the Nippon Times, American version published in Tokyo in "The 10th Year of Shows" according to the dateline. The style of this newspaper is not unlike American papers using an eight column make-up. The price per copy is 35 Sen. It contains many interesting articles under such headings as Japanese Culture, Superstitions in Japan, Diet Reform, Quality of Police Force in Tokyo To Be Boosted, Interpreters Take Exams, School Pupils Returning, Uncensored Opinions of Average Citizen, recorded by roving car and broadcast, and many others.

The advertising section contains many ads for Help Wanted mostly "experienced English speaking or English Tutors."

The Times was sent by Leonard J. Snell, Lieut. U. S. N. R. who for the past several months has been stationed in the Ryukus and is at present on Okinawa. He writes of his experience in the recent typhoon which struck the island and of the great amount of damage caused. This storm was much worse than the first one which struck in September, and the natives say it is the worst in thirty years. He said there is much to be done in replacing the destruction as all the buildings, officers, quarters, mess hall, post office and other quarters were either totally destroyed or badly wrecked. The continuous rain added to the discomfort and as the Lieut. Snell puts it—"it was a storm to end all storms for me."

Alcott to Be New General Manager Of Daily Journal

B. J. Alcott, 34-year-old business manager of the Maryville, Mo. Daily Forum, will become general manager of the Daily Journal on November 1.

Negotiations through which Mr. Alcott will assume control of the business were completed late last month. Announcement was withheld until a successor could be secured for the post he holds at Maryville.

Under the new arrangement, Lester A. Walker, active publisher of the Fremont Guide and Tribune, will continue to carry the title of Daily Journal publisher and hold an interest in the business.

In addition to general management of business, Alcott will assume the duties of Don J. Arundel, business manager, who resigned to devote full time to his newly purchased credit bureau and skating rink which he opened here last July.

A graduate of the University of Missouri, where he majored in advertising and journalism, Alcott has been connected with the Missouri Daily for three years. The Forum is recognized as one of the outstanding small town daily newspapers in the midwest, has a net paid circulation of more than 6,000 although Maryville is little larger than Plattsmouth.

Alcott has spent most of his life in the newspaper business. He started his career as a carrier boy on the Flint, Mich. Journal, became a circulation clerk on that daily while still in high school.

He learned the printer's trade, then entered the University of Missouri school of journalism. While attending MU he worked nights as a printer on the Columbia Daily Tribune. He taught typography at the school part time while finishing his newspaper education.

After graduation he worked successively as reporter, editor, advertising solicitor, circulation man, advertising manager, and finally as business manager to prepare himself for a managerial post such as he will assume here.

Mrs. Alcott, a native of Owosso, Mich., also is a graduate of the University of Missouri school of journalism. Following her graduation she was employed on Battle Creek, Mich., Columbia and Rock Port, Mo. papers and has been assisting at times on the Maryville Forum. She is experienced in other advertising and editorial work.

Before entering Missouri U., Mrs. Alcott attended Stephens college at Columbia for two years. The Alcotts have a four-year-old son. They will move to Plattsmouth as soon after Nov. 1 as suitable living quarters can be obtained here.

Nehawka Man on USS Wiley, Destroyer

Emil E. Hixon, 30, chief gunner's mate, Nehawka, served on the destroyer, USS Wiley, when she moved with a task force of more than 50 ships into Jinsen Korea, in September of liberate the country from the Japanese.

About 15,000 American sailors and soldiers streamed ashore to occupy the capital city of Keijo 23 miles away, to the cheers of the natives. A crowd estimated at 100,000 gathered in the vicinity of the capital to watch the lowering of the Jap flag and the raising of the Stars and Stripes.

Thousands of Ammerican prisoners of war, many listed missing, were assembled, identified and dispatched on their way home.

The Wiley was the last of the 2,100-ton destroyers to be commissioned. She was escorting a convoy from Okinawa to Subic Bay when the order to "cease all offensive action" was received.

14 Men Volunteer For Armed Services

The Cass county selective service office released the following list of names Friday, October 26 of men who volunteered for the armed forces between July and the end of September. All of these men were under draft age and none of them had registered at the time they enlisted.

For the navy: Clinton R. Anderson, Nehawka; and Richard F. Pratt, Elmwood.

For the navy: John D. Winters, Marion J. Taylor, Raymond Mather, Elwyn D. Hatcher, Joseph Gradoville, and Edward E. Dettman, all of Plattsmouth; William M. Pedersen, Eldon L. Cherry, and Harold L. Cherry, all of Weeping Water; Leo E. Erhart, Wabash; and Laurence D. Cox, Nehawka.

For the marines: Robert L. Lehst, Plattsmouth.

BREX Workers Start New Schedule Nov. 1

Workers at the BREX shops will go on a nine-hour daily schedule starting November 1, it was announced Friday. This new schedule will be adopted because darkness after five o'clock makes it impossible for the men to work. The new hours will be from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The BREX plant is now employing 205 men and more experienced car men are still needed. The staff has increased by 50 men since the end of the war.

Right now the plant is busy completing new cars that could not be finished last year because it was impossible to get steel.

Plattsmouth Gets \$114,000 Quota

The city of Plattsmouth has been assigned a Victory Loan quota of \$114,800, according to Harold C. Elliott, chairman of the drive for Cass county. The drive begins Monday, October 29.

A quota of \$158,000 is the lowest ever given to Cass county for any of the bond drives.

Other quotas for the Cass county precincts and town are as follows:

Precincts: Tipton, \$13,100; Greenwood, \$13,500; Salt Creek \$10,000; Stove Creek, \$13,500; Elmwood, \$13,500; South Bend, \$11,000; Weeping Water, \$15,000; Louisville, \$8,000; Avoca, \$10,000; Mt. Pleasant, \$13,500; Eight Mile Grove, \$13,500; Nehawka, \$10,000; West Rock Bluff, \$13,500; Plattsmouth, \$18,000; Liberty, \$12,000; East Rock Bluff, \$7,500; Center, \$13,500.

Cities and Villages: Alvo, \$5,000; Avoca, \$10,000; Eagle, \$8,400; Elmwood, \$12,000; Greenwood, \$6,600; Louisville, \$18,000; Manley, \$4,500; Murdock, \$9,000; Murray, \$8,400; Nehawka, \$9,600; Plattsmouth, \$114,800; South Bend, \$3,000; Union, \$8,400; Weeping Water, \$31,200.

Keen Time Club Has Hayrack Ride Monday

The Keen Time Club's Hayrack Party held on Monday night was reported to be one of their most successful affairs this season. Seventy-five members of the club gathered at the Eagles Hall at 6:30 p. m. and from there they were taken in trucks furnished by Alvin Smock and the Norfolk Packing Co. to the Louis Sack home.

The Sacks and their neighbors were on hand with four hayracks and tractors lined up to take the teen-agers riding in the country. Later at the Sack home a huge bonfire was lit and a weiner roast held. At 10 o'clock the group returned to town.

Sponsors of the party were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tritsch, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Long, Mrs. Bob White and Alvin Smock.

Luther Reynolds Dies In Denver Hospital

Word was received here Friday that Cpl. Luthre Lyle Reynolds formerly of Plattsmouth died in the Fitzsimmons hospital in Denver on Wednesday. Funeral services are to be held soon at the Crosby-Meyer Mortuary in Omaha with burial taking place at Oak Hill in Plattsmouth.

Cpl. Reynolds was 25 years old at the time of his death and has completed almost two years of service with the armed forces. He had been ill for quite some time and had been stationed at the Veterans hospital in Lincoln before being transferred to Denver.

He is survived by one brother Floyd and several step brothers and sisters. His mother and father preceded him in death. His grandfather, J. R. Jones, is a resident of Plattsmouth.

Elmwood

MRS. GRACE PLYBON, Correspondent

James Lake left Thursday for Cambridge, Mass., where he is a senior in Harvard law school.

George Hall is now painting the William Coatsman property, which is occupied by the Loren Dennis family.

Mrs. Elma Gerbeling went to Lincoln recently where she entered the Bryan Memorial hospital. Water and Ernest Hollenbeck were dinner guests at the Lewis Hollenbeck home Thursday.

Harry Greene went to Joliet, Illinois this week to make his wall paper orders from the factory at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos March of Laramie, Wyoming, visited her mother, Mrs. Laura Sutherland and other relatives here this week. From here they went to Chicago for a short stay, stopping here again as they were homeward bound. Mr. March was overseas for three years and is happy to be back again.

The ladies of the W. S. C. S. held an all day quilting at the Methodist church basement on Wednesday. In the afternoon a prayer service was held in keeping with Week of Prayer and Self Denial. Mrs. Cox of Waverly gave a talk also.

Mrs. Thessie Kelley and son, Donald have purchased a home in Havelock and they expect to move sometime in November. Donald has a good position in the shops there.

Judith Cook was ill the first part of the week. Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Lindson, are at the George Hall home this week.

Mrs. Cora Gerbeling went to Nora, Nebr. Thursday because of the serious illness of her little grandson there. The child died before she reached there and funeral services were scheduled for Saturday afternoon.

Cpl. William Cookley arrived home from Europe on Thursday. It was a happy meeting when his mother came home from her schattend the sessions of the Kansas-Nebraska Area Conference at Lincoln this week.

Mrs. Marjorie Hall and daughter, Dorothea Redd with her little girl that same day.

Harry Kral is helping Nolan Hottle with his farm work this fall.

The Royal Neighbors of Elmwood went to Murdock Friday afternoon to the convention there. Our group put on the memorial service for Mrs. Minnie Frisbee of Wabash, a former member here.

Mrs. Anna Nicklas received a telegram from her husband, Glen in Denver, who recently returned from service in Hawaii. She left for that place Friday morning and from there they will go to New Mexico, his former home. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schneider also went as far as Denver.

Every resident of Cass County will be asked to buy "extra" Victory Bonds to the limit of his ability during the Victory Loan Drive, October 29 to December 8. County Chairman Harold Elliott said today, as Nebraska War Finance Chairman Dale Clark announced that Nebraska's individual sales goal for the drive will be 40 million dollars.

Of that amount Cass County's share of E Bond sales will be \$300,000 the County Chairman said, toward the state E Bond goal of 25 million dollars.

In announcing Nebraska's Victory Loan drive quotas, Mr. Clark said that in previous drives War Bonds were bought to assure victory. "Now," he said, "we must buy Victory Bonds to assure peace."

He said that the money from this Victory Loan Drive will bring American boys home, provide care for a half million wounded war veterans and provide for families of men who were killed.

Leon J. Markham, Executive Manager of the Nebraska War Finance Committee, said that the Victory Loan Drive will be the last of such special drives. During seven previous War Loan drives Nebraska has had a perfect record. "We must finish the job—keep Nebraska's record perfect," he asserted.

All E. F. and G. Bonds cleared through the Federal Reserve Bank between October 29 and December 31, will count towards the county and state quotas.

Stolen Car Found in Cornfield Near Here

A black 1940 Ford coach stolen in Plattsmouth Wednesday, October 17, was found Tuesday in a cornfield four miles northwest of Plattsmouth, Emory Doody, deputy sheriff, said Wednesday morning. The right front wheel and tire and the spare tire were taken from the car. No other damage was in evidence.

The car, owned by W. J. Beecham of Palmyra, was stolen from in front of St. John's church sometime between 12:30 noon and 3 p. m. Rev. Kozlik, also from Palmyra, had borrowed the car to attend the jubilee celebration at the church.

County Farm Bureau To Meet November 1

The Cass County Farm Bureau will hold a county meeting on November 1 at the City Hall in Louisville at 8:30 p. m. County officers are to be elected at this meeting.

The Farm Bureau will bring sandwiches and cookies to the meeting. The refreshment committee will be Miss June Keil, chairman, Mrs. Helen Gansmeier, Mrs. Verne Meisner, Mrs. Gerold Keil and Mrs. Don Born.

John Frady Fined
John Frady pled guilty Wednesday, October 25 to a charge of operating a motor vehicle on a public highway at a speed greater than was reasonable and prudent under existing conditions. He was fined \$25 and costs by County Judge Paul E. Fauquet.

Weeping Water

MRS. THOMAS MURTEY, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hanlan and their house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Duante of Chicago, had dinner Sunday at the Grand Hotel in Nebraska City and visited with friends while there.

Mrs. Henry Rugh, county chairman of Home Extension Clubs, was taken to Lincoln Sunday, where he entered St. Elizabeth hospital for medical care.

The Camp Fire Girls took an eight mile hike one day last week and the Boy Scouts went on a camping trip to the country Saturday night.

Honoring Mrs. Joy Miffed Smith, Mrs. Oscar Domingo, Mrs. Harold Domingo and Mrs. Eugene Domingo entertained at a shower Tuesday evening at the Oscar Domingo home. Decorations were large paper umbrellas and paper streamers. A large wedding cake graced the center of the table from which refreshments were served. A musical story read by Mrs. Harold Domingo, with Mrs. Alvin Groesser at the piano, was greatly enjoyed and several other delightful games helped to pass a most enjoyable evening. The bride received a large number of beautiful gifts for her new home.

Wilbur Long left last week for Oklahoma, where he is located at present, working with his father Sarah Jane, expect to move to Oklahoma or Texas in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Weekly left Wednesday evening for Buhl, Minnesota, after a weeks visit at the home of Mrs. Weekly's aunt, Mrs. Thomas Stacey and Mr. Stacey.

Pvt. Herman Walters is at home in the oil business. The Long family, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Long and their young daughter, built for Christmas use. While there they expect also to visit several places of interest in Lincoln. Among them will be the state capitol building and the KFAB broadcasting station.

C. Sp. Keith Saunders and wife of Olathe, Kansas were weekend guests at the home of Mrs. Saunders parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wiles.

Harold Myers, Jr. was taken ill Saturday and was removed to the Methodist hospital in Omaha. His mother, Mrs. Harold Myers, has been with him all week. Tuesday Mrs. Helen Clark, Mrs. Richard Hobson, David Myers and Mrs. Eugene Day visited him at the hospital. They report that he is improving and it is expected that he will return home the latter part of this week.

Miss Lilly May Rosenberg of Enid, Oklahoma left for her home Wednesday, after a months visit with the Knaup and Klemme families.