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Woster, New Four-man City Council Sworn Into Office

Plattsmouth's new consolidated city administration begins its reign Wednesday night as the old ten-man council stepped from office and the new four-man council took over following the official swearing in ceremony conducted by the now ex-Mayor R. B. Hayes.

Previous to the ceremony, the ten-man council voted, on recommendation of J. J. Henningson, Omaha, consulting engineer for Plattsmouth, to reject two bids submitted for construction of sanitary sewer district No. 4 when it was found that the lowest bid was \$12.25 over the estimate for the work. The call for bids will be re-advertised.



WILL FREE MATE — Mrs. Eleanor Thompson appears in Pittsburg, Pa., court in divorce suit against ex-Sgt. William "Red" Thompson, father of English quads. (NEA telephoto).

Woster New Mayor
Following the council's approval of bonds for the new officers, the men took the oath of office as administered by Hayes, the old council adjourned and the new council convened with Clem Woster as its new mayor, Clyde Rosborough, short term, and M. D. Brown, long term, councilmen from the first ward and Robert Painter, short term, and Leslie Hutchinson long term councilmen from the second ward. Rosborough and Painter were members of the old council and Brown was city treasurer.

Plattsmouth Nine Drops 9-1 Game To Boys Town

Coach Joe York's Plattsmouth high school baseball team ran into a one-hit pitching performance by two Boys Town mound aces and dropped a 9-1 verdict to the Boys Town team at Fontenelle park Wednesday.

Pitcher Larry Thimman was the only Plattsmouth batter to solve the delivery of Tom Carodine, Boys Town hurler who did the pitching during the first five innings. Thimman rapped out a single in the second inning, stole second base and then sent to third on an infield out. He scored on a wild pitch by Corodine.

Score Six in Second
Except for the second inning, Plattsmouth's Thimman kept the Boys Town nine well in hand, giving up only three runs and five hits. But the second frame saw the winners score six runs on three hits, three errors and a hit batsman.

Plattsmouth jumped to a 1-0 lead in the first half of the second on the strength of Thimman's tally, but Martin Schmidt's triple with the bases loaded in the last half of the second drove three Boys Town runners across the plate and started the scoring spurge.

Thimman gave up eight hits during the game, struck out five, issued no passes and hit one batsman. Carodine hurled five innings, gave up one run and one hit, struck out six and walked one. He gained credit for the victory. He also hit a batsman, Bill Edwards.

Kroll Hits Home Run
Babe Gunnell took over for Boys Town in the sixth inning and shut out Plattsmouth without a hit, giving two walks and striking out three men.

Kroll, Boys Town right fielder, blasted a home run off Thimman. One error was chalked up against Williams of Boys Town, two against Bill Edwards, and one each against Bintner and Ed Eaton of Plattsmouth.

York used ten boys in the game: Cullen, left field; Kimball, center field; B. Edwards, shortstop; Thimman, pitcher; Niel, first base; Haith, second base; J. Edwards, second base; Bintner, third base; Eaton, catcher, and Wolfarth, right field.

Grant License to Bollemeier
Police Judge Graves reported fines and costs of \$122.75 collected for the two-week period ending April 21.

A bid of \$30 was submitted by Walter C. Davis for rental for one year of the old ball park grounds. The council voted to draw up the necessary papers but to withhold delivery until the rental was paid in advance.

Much of the new business that came before the council last night was referred to the new administration for action.

A license application by Warren S. Bollemeier for a ool hall was granted. City Attorney A. L. Tidd's opinion of the 5-4 vote on the granting of a class C liquor license to Martin Kroeger was read and revealed that a majority of the members elect must vote affirmatively to grant the license.

Canvass Election
Francis Casey, attorney for Kroeger, stated that his client would pay under protest for the filing of the transcript of the case to the state liquor control (Turn to Page 6, Number 5)

Call Me Mister!
One man reported his charge from the service to the Cass county selective service office Wednesday.

From the army: George Fine, Monongahela, Pa.

Grain Starts to Move Under Spur Of New Subsidy

The golden grain which Europe's starving millions need to avert famine was moving slowly from the farms of America's grain belt Thursday under the spur of a new government subsidy.

Farmers were showing interest in the program, dealers and elevator men of the grain belt reported. They said that many were holding back thus far only until they learned the mechanics of getting the 30-cent per bushel bonus which the government has promised on higher grades of corn and wheat.

Ashland Farmer Sells
First grain movements, in dribbles of hundreds of bushels, were reported from the small elevators which rise above the grain lands from Illinois to Nebraska and beyond.

Gene Kettle, 45, Ashland, Nebr., farmer brought 500 bushels of corn into the Kuhl-Reese Grain Co. Elevator at Ashland and sold it without waiting to get details of the bonus.

"I don't know anything about the government plans, but if it needs grain that I've got, I'll sell," he said.

Some Farmers "Sore"
E. P. Jones, Elevator manager, said lots of farmers were asking about the mechanics of payment, and predicted that they will bring it in when they know how and when they will be paid.

Some, he said, had told him that they were "sore" about the suddenness of the bonus announcement because they had sold their grain before it came and figured they lost money. He said farmer John Peterson of near Ashland had sold all of his corn last fall and for the third consecutive year lost out on a price raise.

But he believed they would go along with the plan and would keep on griping about it "because a farmer likes to argue."

Meeting Tonight On School Aid

A meeting will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock in the Plattsmouth high school auditorium to discuss the proposed constitutional amendment to provide state support for local schools and to set up an organization to obtain signatures on a petition for the amendment. Supt. T. I. Frierst announced Thursday.

Monday will be "D-day" for the drive throughout the state to circulate the petition, Supt. Frierst said. The amendment, which states that education is "essential to the rights and liberties of the people and to the welfare of the state" and provides that the state should allow \$40 minimum for public school pupils annually with the revenue raised from "sources other than a tax on real property" is backed by the Nebraska Congress of Parents and Teachers, the Nebraska State School Boards association and the Nebraska State Education association. Approximately 52,000 signatures of qualified voters are needed to put the amendment on the November election. It would be beneficial to the people of Plattsmouth, particularly the taxpayers, in that it should bring in approximately \$35,000 to the school district," Supt. Frierst declared. "It would provide an opportunity for a decrease of approximately five mills in the school levy."

Verdict Is Not Guilty
The jury returned a verdict of not guilty Thursday in the case of the state vs Ray B. Sharp. Sharp was charged with allegedly sealing in motor vehicles without a motor vehicle dealer's license.



SHARES ORIENTAL CUSTOM—Mrs. Douglas MacArthur, left, wife of the general, has tea with Lt. Gen. R. L. Eichelberger during visit in Miyonosita, Japan. To the right, also without their shoes, are ARC Elsa Lou Hanna, River Falls, Wis.; Major J. Gibbons, and Lt. Edward Byers of St. Joseph, Mo. The Fujia hotel was used to house neutrals and German diplomats during the war. (NEA telephoto).

France Trying To Restrict Spanish Probe

NEW YORK (AP)—The Australian plan for a United Nations investigation of Franco Spain collapsed Thursday with a surprise French effort to restrict the scope of such an inquiry.

Threatens Council Unanimity
This development, which threatened earlier prospects for security council unanimity on this controversial issue, came on the first anniversary of the San Francisco conference where the UN charter was drafted.

Weeping Water Noses Out Nehawka for Track Crown

NEHAWKA, (Special)—By the bare margin of a victory in the 880 yard relay, last event on the program, the Weeping Water high school track team, nosed out the Nehawka high school thirlads, 51-49, in the Cass County High School association's annual track and field meet here Wednesday.

Trailing far behind the winner and runner-up were Avoca with 8 points, Louisville with 7 and Union and Murdock with 1 each.

Second For Weeping Water
It was the second straight victory for Weeping Water which won the meet last year, but it took the last event on the day's program to decide the champion.

Bakers Warned To Cooperate

WASHINGTON (AP)—The government is prepared to crack down on the country's bakers unless they cooperate wholeheartedly in the emergency flour conservation program, it was learned Thursday.

The government already has received a few complaints that bakers are absorbing their entire 25 per cent cut in flour supplies in bread production, instead of making proportionate cuts in bread and more profitable pies and cakes.

If the situation becomes widespread, it was said, the government will tell bakers specifically how much of their available flour supply must be used for bread and how much for pastries.

Organize 4-H Club At Weeping Water

WEeping WATER, (Special)—Organization of a new 4-H club the True Blue Health club, was effected at the home of Mrs. J. M. Ranney Monday evening.

Charter members are Richard Gibson, A. I. Bickford, Lloyd Sell, Dean Stratton, Benjy Olive and Rodney Knaup.

Claim Stolen Car
A stolen car involved in a collision south of Plattsmouth Sunday morning was claimed here Wednesday by an insurance company acting for the owner of the car, Floyd Matz, of Blair, Deputy Sheriff Emery J. Doody reported Thursday. The driver of the car disappeared following the accident.

Price on Cigaretts Goes Up Half-Cent Pack on 2 or More

WASHINGTON, (AP)—The price of cigarette packs went up a half cent for each package sold in lots of two or more packs.

The OPA order permitting the increase provided that prices on single packages must remain the same except for those sold through vending machines. The price of these may go up a full cent for a pack.

The OPA said the increase was justified by higher production costs.

Deputies Meet to Open Big 4 Paris Conference

PARIS, (AP)—The Big Four foreign ministers' conference to settle the future of Europe opened Thursday with a preliminary session of the leaders' deputies, but the first full dress meeting of the ministers was postponed unexpectedly for one hour.

The deputies, who have been trying for weeks in London to break the deadlock between Russia and western powers, met at 10 a. m. in the Luxembourg palace to iron out arrangements for the first meeting of James F. Byrnes, Ernest Bevin, V. M. Molotov and Georges Bidault.

First Session Postponed
A short time later, without explanation, the French foreign office announced that the first full session had been postponed until 5 p. m. (10 a. m. CST) from the scheduled hour of 4 p. m.

Feedlot Tour of Part of County Set for May 2

The Cass County Livestock Feeders association will hold a feedlot tour in the northeast quarter of the county Thursday, May 2, it was announced Thursday.

Tour to Start at 9:30
The tour will start at the Will Minford farm, a mile east of Murray on U. S. highway 75, leaving there at 9:30 a. m. Feedlots of Howard Wiles, Sterling Ingwerson, John Wehrbein and Myron Wiles will be visited in that order before lunch, which will be served in Mynard by the Ladies Aid society.

District Church Institute Sunday

W. R. Montgomery, D. D., of Dayton, O., director of brotherhood and adult work for the United Brethren church, will be the principal speaker at the district institute of the Nebraska conference to be held at the Mynard United Brethren church Sunday afternoon and evening, April 28.

Mrs. Arthur C. Core, Lincoln, will direct the discussion group on children's and missionary work and Marianne Wetenkamp will be the leader for the youth retreat during the evening session. Rev. Lee Huebert, pastor of the church, will preside. Other special speakers will also be presented.

Spare Stamp 49 Good for Sugar Beginning May 1

WASHINGTON (AP)—Spare stamp 49 in ration book No. 4 will be good for five pounds of sugar beginning May 1, the OPA said Thursday.

It will remain valid until Aug. 31.

OPA said that on the basis of estimated current and prospective sugar supplies, it "expects the same consumer ration of five pounds of sugar for each four months can be maintained." This is the regular sugar allotment. Canning sugar is granted in addition.

C. E. Wescott Sons Firm Ends 67th Year in April

Sixty-seven years ago this month C. E. Wescott came to Plattsmouth from Indiana and started a modest clothing business on Main street, then an unpaved road with a creek running diagonally across the street at the corner of Fifth street and Main and a bridge over the creek.

Today the firm of C. E. Wescott Sons is still doing business on Main street, but the creek and the bridge are gone and the street is no longer unpaved.

Partners in the firm now are C. C. (Cliff) Wescott and E. H. (Hilt) Wescott, sons of the man who started the business back in 1879. C. E. Wescott retired in 1906 and went to California where he died. In the early days, said C. C. Wescott Wednesday, when haggling over prices was customary, C. E. Wescott conducted his business under the motto "One price and no monkey business."

C. E. Wescott came to Plattsmouth from Indiana where he was employed in a clothing store. Frank Caruth, old-time Plattsmouth jeweler, who erected the building in about 1880 on the corner of Main and Fifth streets which now houses the clothing firm, was instrumental in persuading Mr. Wescott to come to Plattsmouth.

Bound Over to District Court

Paul Bressman was bound over to district court when he was arraigned before County Judge Paul E. Fauquet Thursday on two complaints.

Bressman pleaded not guilty to a complaint filed by his wife charging him with intent to do great bodily harm. He waived preliminary hearings and his bond was fixed at \$1,000 for his appearance in district court.

On the second complaint, filed by his wife and mother-in-law, Mrs. Eliza Ramel, a complaint to keep the peace, he indicated his willingness to post a bond in the amount of \$200, fixed by the court for a term of six months, and he waived preliminary hearing.

Bressman was arrested Thursday by Sheriff Joe Mrasek at Papillion.

WEATHER

Nebraska Forecast—Fair and continued mild Thursday, Thursday night and Friday, except not quite so warm southeast quarter late Thursday. Low temperatures Thursday night middle 30's and middle 40's.

Construction of New Telephone Building Will Be Resumed Here Soon

Approval for the construction of the new telephone building for Plattsmouth has been granted by the civilian production administration and work will be resumed as soon as the contractor is able to obtain the necessary materials, according to word received Thursday from W. L. Eckles, area manager of the Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company.

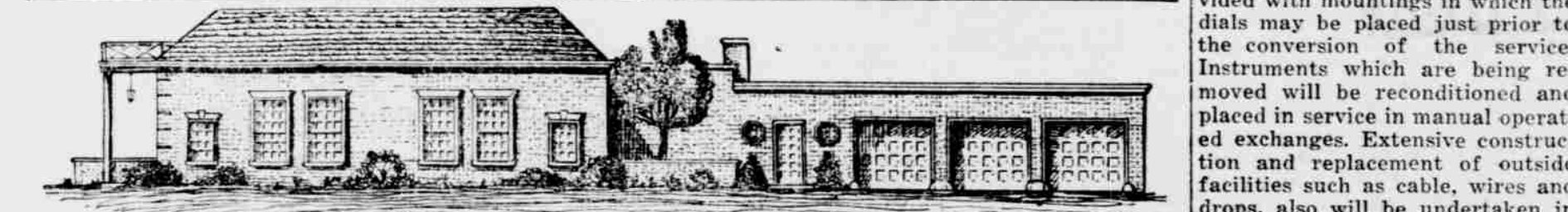
Preliminary operations were begun last month but the work was halted because of regulations issued by the government.

Will House Dial Equipment
Completion of the attractive one-story brick structure will enable the company to provide Plattsmouth telephone subscribers with the finest and most up-to-date service.

The structure, which will be located on the southeast corner of Seventh and Main, will house the dial switching equipment through which dial service will be furnished to all city and rural subscribers. The building will also provide quarters for the telephone business office, the long distance switchboard and motor vehicle facilities.

Conversion Is Underway
First steps in the conversion of the exchange to dial operation have already begun with the changing of subscribers' telephones to the new type of dial handset instruments. About one-third of the instruments in town have already been changed and remaining telephones for both city and rural subscribers will be installed as rapidly as equipment becomes available, Eckles said.

The instruments will be provided with mountings in which the dials may be placed just prior to the conversion of the service. Instruments which are being removed will be reconditioned and placed in service in manual operation. Extensive construction and replacement of outside facilities such as cable, wires and drops, also will be undertaken in connection with the conversion. The entire project will be pushed forward to completion at the earliest possible date, according to Eckles.



NEW TELEPHONE BUILDING—Pictured above is the architect's sketch of the new telephone building, construction of which is to be resumed here soon. Ground was broken for the building last month but the work was halted because of current government restrictions. The structure will be located on the southeast corner of Seventh and Main streets.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Zouladek, jr., of Weeping Water, a daughter, born April 22 at the St. Mary hospital in Nebraska City.

Mr. and Mrs. Randall Switzer, Nehawka, daughter, Nancy Louise, born at their home Monday, April 22. Mrs. Switzer is the former Leora Fleishman.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sheehan, Weeping Water, a daughter born Monday at the St. Mary hospital in Nebraska City.