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Meat Shortage Hits BREX, 25 Men Laid Off

The current meat shortage struck Plattsmouth in a different way Thursday with the announcement by Supt. E. A. Kneer of the Burlington Refrigerator Express company that 25 employees at the BREX will be dropped from the payroll effective at 4:30 p. m. July 1.

Order Received by Kneer
Supt. Kneer said that the order received by him did not state whether the layoff was to be permanent or temporary.

Only two weeks ago Supt. Kneer announced that BREX was constructing about 200 meat cars for the Fremont Packing Co., of Fremont, and the Kingan Packing Co., of the Nebraska Beef Co., both of Omaha.

Blames Meat Shortage
Supt. Kneer blamed the meat shortage for the layoff. He said that the refrigerator cars made by BREX were not being shipped out of Omaha like they used to be.

The lack of meat he indicated is resulting in a curtailment of the use of meat refrigerator cars and thus necessitates a layoff at the local shops.

Change Date for Drivers' Tests

The morning of the second Saturday of each month has been designated as the time for driver's license examinations at the court house here, Treasurer Ruth Patton announced Thursday.

The schedule will be in effect beginning next month and will continue through July. One exception will be made in October, when the examinations will be held the morning of the first Saturday of the month instead of the second because the Columbus day holiday falls on the second Saturday.

The examinations were previously scheduled to be held the afternoon of the third Saturday of each month for the next six months, but since the court house is closed during Saturday afternoons through Sept. 21, the date was changed.

At the Mailbox

By J. Rex Henry

All signs point to the rapidly approaching harvest season. Frank Dishong, who farms two miles south and about 3 1/2 miles west of Mynard, had his binder in operation Wednesday and was shocking his wheat.

Charles Tasler was busy in his farm yard, Wednesday. He predicts plenty of rain if the wind stays in the south.

John Hunget and family moved from Eagle to a farm home 3-4 of a mile north of Mynard about three weeks ago. Hunget left for an Omaha clinic Wednesday morning for a check-up.

Stacey Ashlock is putting the finishing touches on a new barn roof at his farm a half mile east of Mynard.

A spray gun paint job is about completed on the E. J. Meisinger farm buildings. His farm is located about three miles west and a half mile north of Mynard.

Carl F. Kraeger, three miles south of Mynard, was busy Wednesday mowing alfalfa.

Reshingling and painting the house on the Chester Snorer farm is well underway. Sporer farms southwest of Mynard.

Mrs. Harry D. Wilson, who lives west of Mynard, reports quick results with use of a Daily Journal want ad. Her daughter, Frances, lost a white rhinestone bracelet Saturday night and a want ad was placed with the Daily Journal at 11 a. m. Monday, Monday evening a girl called saying she had found the bracelet.

Douglas county has found it still has a "little red schoolhouse." Cass county can boast at least two. One is located 1 1/2 miles west of Mynard and the other on the Louisville road.

Fire Burns Awning

The court house lost an awning late Thursday morning when fire, apparently caused by a cigarette dropped by someone from a window in the sheriff's office, fell on an awning over the window of the county judge's office and burned the awning. The volunteer fire department responded to the call.

Daily Journal Expansion Program Gets Underway

People who have been accustomed to visiting The Daily Journal plant regularly over the past years soon won't "know the old place."

For the past year and a half, behind-the-scenes activity has been quietly proceeding in preparation for the day when The Daily Journal plant would be overhauled and completely modernized. Today, the objective of that activity is near at hand.

First, the war delayed installation of new machinery and changes planned long ago by The Daily Journal management. Next came the wave of strikes which stopped or slowed production of machinery, electrical equipment, printing machine parts and accessories.

But production lines are rolling again and new equipment has started to come off them.

Most important new installation to be made in The Daily Journal plant will start next week when automatic typesetting machinery will arrive.

This new machinery—made by the Teletypesetter Corporation in Chicago—will virtually double capacity of The Daily Journal newspaper plant. Through use of Teletypesetter equipment production of news type on linotype machines can be stepped up to about twice that of manually operated machines.

Order for the Teletypesetter equipment was placed in December, 1944, shortly after The Daily Journal was sold by Mrs. R. A. Bates to the present owners. The Daily Journal will be one of about only 60 printing and publishing plants in the United States which have installed the equipment. First postwar machines from Teletypesetter lines were installed by The Fremont Guide and Tribune.

The Goss newspaper press in The Daily Journal plant will soon have important modern production devices added to it, too. Parts for the change-over are now in the plant and will be installed as soon as machinists are available and necessary construction changes completed.

Other modern newspaper equipment, which has been on order for many months, soon will arrive and be placed in operation by The Daily Journal. Several complete series of ultra-modern job type faces have arrived, others are on order, for dressing up commercial printing work turned out by The Daily Journal's job printing department.

Plans for complete rearrangement of the entire Daily Journal plant, to increase and speed up production, came off drawing boards of printing equipment engineers months ago. Now the changes are past the blue print stage. They will be started late next week and completed early in August.

Despite the fact that much labor-saving machinery is being added, all present employees of The Daily Journal will continue with the organization. Others will be added as necessary. Capacity of both the newspaper plant and job printing department should be doubled before fall.

Workers of The Daily Journal have been waiting for months to make this announcement. But we've had to wait patiently until deliveries of the equipment were started. And only deliveries from manufacturers can now delay the day of work completion. Definite dates have not yet been set for delivery of some accessories by manufacturers, but our program is underway.

Meanwhile, not said circulation of The Daily Journal has been climbing and several hundred new subscribers are now regular daily readers of this newspaper. Despite the fact that said circulation is far higher than it ever has been, the drive for more subscribers will continue without let-up.

It's all part of our plan to give Plattsmouth a daily newspaper of which it can be mighty proud. And today, The Plattsmouth Daily Journal is just such a newspaper.

Western Powers Reject Soviet Trieste Plan

PARIS, (AP)—Midnight rejection by the western powers of V. M. Molotov's new plan for Trieste Thursday almost wiped out the possibility of a 21-nation peace conference this summer.

The Big Four conference stands at a dead point. Compromise efforts on Trieste have failed. There is no hope that the ministers will complete work on the Italian and Satellite treaties by their self-imposed Friday deadline.

Secret Talks Fail
The ministers called another plenary session at 4 p. m. to consider details of the Balkan treaties. The critical Trieste issue, on which everything hinged, has been dropped indefinitely.

Five days of secret bargaining between Molotov and James F. Byrnes ended in failure in an extraordinary night council session lasting past midnight. Molotov's offer of his "extreme concession"—joint Yugoslav-Italian administration of Trieste—was rejected in turn by Byrnes, Ernest Bevin and Georges Bidault.

Barring some unexpected policy reversal, the ministers will pass the Friday deadline without issuing invitations to a full dress conference.

The breakdown of Trieste bargaining resulted from Molotov's essential refusal to retreat from the line drawn by the Kremlin months ago which would put the Italian-Yugoslav frontier west of Trieste.

Would Lead to Friction
Molotov's final proposal was for the administration of Trieste by two governors, one Yugoslav and one Italian, as an enclave within Yugoslav territory. In rejecting it, Byrnes said such joint responsibility would lead only to endless friction.

Byrnes proposed handing the Trieste dispute to a 21-nation conference. Both he and Bevin said they would abide by any decision the 21 nations made. Molotov again refusing to agree, said consideration of Trieste would split the full dress conference.

Agreement on Trieste appeared impossible after last night's deadlock. Without agreement on Trieste, working agreements on other problems before the Big Four seemed doubtful.

Rosev No. 1 Man In Plattsmouth

C. A. Rosecrans, better known as "Rosev" of Rosev's barber shop, is Plattsmouth's No. 1 man. Rosev obtained license number 90-1 for his car to get his first first.

Now Rosev has added another first to his record. He made the first donation to receive the No. 1 ticket and become the first person eligible for the award of the first 1947 Kaiser automobile to be delivered in Cass county. The car is being supplied by the Cotner and Son agency under Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce sponsorship for its civic improvement fund benefit.

The awarding of the car will be a highlight of the 1946 Kass County King Korn Carnival to be held here Sept. 11, 12, 13 and 14.

Zortz Convicted of Brutality at Camp

BAD NAUHEIM (AP)—Adolph Zortz was convicted of brutality at the Lichfield detention camp Thursday after a trial of two hours and 40 minutes, a record for brevity in the cases.

Zortz, 27, a former machine shop worker from Milwaukee, Wis., was found guilty of "wrongfully and unlawfully striking" Fred C. Moore, 21, New Haven, Conn., a prisoner at Lichfield. Zortz was sentenced to be reprimanded.



Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schroeder are the parents of a daughter born Wednesday morning at their home in Mynard.

Call Me Mister!

Three men reported their discharges from the armed services to the Cass county selective service office Wednesday, it was announced Thursday. They are: From the army, Marvin Essert and Kenneth Henry of Plattsmouth and Elbert Alfrey, jr., of Louisville.



BLAZE ENGULFS FERRY TERMINAL—Fire boats throw tons of water through dense clouds of smoke at Staten Island's ferry terminal where sudden fire caused the deaths of two, and a loss of two million dollars. Within five minutes of the fire's breaking out, the wooden structure was a mass of flames fed by paint, oil and grease. (NEA telephoto)

Thomas' Handwriting Said Like Degnan Ransom Note

PHOENIX, Ariz., (AP)—Chicago investigators, here to check Richard D. Thomas' confession of kidnapping and butchering six-year-old Suzanne Degnan, were told Thursday that a handwriting expert believes specimens of Thomas' handwriting check with the Degnan ransom note.

Maricopa county Sheriff E. W. Roach told the Chicago authorities that Charles B. Arnold, handwriting specialist for the Phoenix police department, is convinced the ransom note writing is the same as numerous specimens written left handed by Thomas.

Finger Prints Don't Match
At Chicago, Chief of Detectives Walter Storms said that Thomas' finger prints did not match any of those found on the crudely printed ransom note. He added, however, that police here were making no definite announcement on results of all tests until a clear comparison is available between Thomas' handwriting and that on the note.

Meanwhile, T. D. Allman, representing the Chicago police commissioner, Detective Lt. John Olson, and Assistant State Attorney Ed E. Healy began questioning Thomas.

Olson said a preliminary statement would be taken immediately and a detailed statement, with a stenographer present, would be taken later, regardless of the officers' initial impressions.

Remarkable Resemblance
Deputy Sheriff Forest Castle, one of the local officers, who arrested Thomas and was active in the investigation of the confession to the Degnan crime, took ten specimens of Thomas' handwriting after midnight.

"When he writes with his left hand in copying the ransom note in the Degnan case, there is a remarkable resemblance to the original note," Castle declared.

Hirohito Powerless To Resist Invasion Of Manchuria in '41

TOKYO (AP)—Emperor Hirohito virtually was powerless to oppose Japanese militarists who ordered the invasion of Manchuria in 1931, a prosecution witness testified Thursday in the war crimes trial.

The witness was Ken Inukai, the son of former Premier Tsuyoshi Inukai who was assassinated by the militarists in 1932 after he tried unsuccessfully to induce Hirohito to order the army to withdraw from Manchuria.

Inukai said both he and his father considered Hirohito "a strong advocate for peace did his best to prevent the Manchurian incident and later to localize it."

Inukai said Hirohito was unable to issue a rescript ordering the withdrawal of the Japanese army from Manchuria because of powerful opposition from ultranationalist elements in the army.

Mercury Begins Upward Climb

Warmer temperatures were apparently on their way back here as the thermometer climbed to a high of 88 degrees Wednesday and a 90-degree high was predicted for Thursday.

Lemuel Gessell, Masonic home weather observer reported this morning the high and low for Wednesday, Low was 70 degrees.

Scattered showers were forecast for the eastern part of the state Thursday and again Friday morning.

Truman Says Bowles Attempting to Quit

Wescott Relates History of King Korn Carnival

Members of the Plattsmouth Business Men's Ad club heard C. C. Wescott recount the beginning and recent history of the Kass County King Korn Carnival, Plattsmouth's annual festival, at the regular meeting of the club Wednesday in Bestor's dining room.

He told how the Carnival started in 1932 and said that crowds of from 8,000 to 15,000 had attended the four-day event every year.

Kelley Heads Committee
This year, he pointed out, the Carnival will be held Sept. 11, 12, 13 and 14. A committee headed by Vincent Kelley is supervising the planning. All members of the committee, generally speaking, are newcomers to the activity and he pointed out the need of cooperation of all members of the group and the respective committees for successful presentation of the annual program.

Ad Club Original Sponsors
The Ad club sponsored the Carnival originally until it was incorporated as a separate group in 1944.

Under sponsorship of the retail group, the Carnival grew from a county presentation to one which now encompasses all of southeastern Nebraska, the corn area of the state.

Quiz Father in Child Slayings

REDWOOD, CALIF., (AP)—Vorhes Newton, 24-year-old glazier, was brought to the San Mateo county jail Thursday for further questioning about the clawhammer murders of his two infant daughters.

Newton was brought here from Auburn, Calif., where he already had undergone questioning. Authorities said Newton had not confessed.

Soaked to the skin and bleeding copiously, Newton was picked up yesterday by a tourist as he wandered along the shores of Emerald bay, Lake Tahoe. He had been sought since the brutally scarred bodies of the two children were found Tuesday in a lonely ravine near San Mateo, Calif.

Meanwhile, his 21-year-old wife, Lorraine, who was found Tuesday wandering near the spot where the children's bodies lay hidden under a tangle of weeds, was in a semi-coma in a nearby San Mateo hospital. She babbled incoherently of the Newton family's Monday outing which culminated in the double slaying.

Iowa Man Weds Omaha Girl Here

Robert G. Hook, 22, of Humintin, Iowa, and Elna Maxine Boyce, 22, of Omaha were married Wednesday by County Judge Paul Fauquet.

A marriage license was issued the same day to George E. Jacobs, 20, and Eloise P. Cole, 18, both of Plattsmouth.



ADMITS DEGNAN CRIME
Richard E. Thomas, 42, has told Phoenix, Ariz., police that he is the kidnap-slayer of six-year-old Suzanne Degnan. Chicago police, investigating, believe he may have "confessed" to avoid Arizona sentence in a sex crime. (NEA telephoto)

WASHINGTON, (AP)—President Truman said Thursday economic stabilizer Chester Bowles has been attempting to resign. But Mr. Truman said he hoped he could prevail on Bowles to remain in the government.

The president was asked at a news conference whether he expected Bowles to quit following final action on the OPA extension bill. Bowles has opposed the measure as ineffective.

Trying to Quit
Mr. Truman said he hoped Bowles would not leave, but that the economic stabilizer had been trying to quit for some time to return to his home state of Connecticut.

The president said that Bowles shortly after the chief executive entered the White House, but that so far he had been successful in prevailing on Bowles to remain.

Barkley Demands Final Vote
Mr. Truman's statement came as administration leaders promised to hold the Senate in night session if necessary to break a threatened filibuster against the baited OPA extension bill.

Senate Democratic leader Alben W. Barkley of Kentucky demanded that the Senate take a final vote on the bill Thursday and speed it to the White House.

The OPA now is scheduled to expire at midnight Sunday. Senator W. Lee O'Daniel, D. Texas, said he was ready to talk on through Monday in order to kill the price agency, which he said was "unconstitutional and communistic."

President Regrets Delay
Mr. Truman was asked at his news conference whether he planned to make a radio speech when he takes final action on the OPA bill. He said he would decide that when he received the message.

The president expressed regret that there had been so much delay in final action on the OPA bill. But he did not discuss details. Mr. Truman saw Bowles Wednesday. He told reporters that he had been successful in the past in persuading Bowles to remain in his post and hoped he would be successful again.

Administration leaders felt passage was assured. The House already has approved the conference compromise to extend OPA for a year but allow many price increases.

O'Daniel, nattily clad in a dark suit, sounded his threat of a filibuster late yesterday. His desk in the rear of the Senate chamber was piled high with multi-colored envelopes stuffed with reports which he said could keep him talking until Monday.

Juniors to Play David City Here

With one defeat, a 20-12 loss to Wahoo last Sunday, chalked up against them in American Legion competition in district 4, the Plattsmouth Junior boys will attempt to get back in the running for the district championship Sunday when they play host to David City's nine on the local diamond. The game will get underway about 3 p. m.

The game will be the first of two contests scheduled for the boys for next week. They journey to Schuyler on the Fourth of July holiday Thursday to tackle the Schuyler junior team in another district 4 contest.

The Schuyler game will be the first of a three-game series to be played out of town. The Plattsmouth team won't return to the local diamond until July 14 when Wahoo comes here.

Munkres Director of Movie Owners Group

Neil Munkres, owner of the Chief theater at Weeping Water, was elected to the board of directors at the meeting of the Allied Independent Theater Owners of Iowa and Nebraska, Inc., at Des Moines, Tuesday.

WEATHER

Nebraska forecast: — Partly cloudy Thursday and Thursday night with few widely scattered thunder showers north and extreme east Thursday and scattered over the state Thursday night. Friday fair except mostly cloudy with few scattered thunder showers extreme east in forenoon; somewhat cooler north and extreme west Thursday. High temperatures 80 northwest to 90 southeast. Cooler Friday and northeast and southwest quarters Thursday night.