

## Quivera Camp Under Lease To Boy Scouts

Wayne Nelson, District Scout executive of the Cornhusker Council at Lincoln, informed The Plattsmouth Journal Wednesday that the old Quivera Camp, located on the Floyd Gauer farm, about three miles southwest of Cedar Creek, is expected to be leased by the Council for the use of Boy Scouts for an eight-county area as summer camp. At a meeting in Auburn Tuesday evening, seven of the number were unanimous of the choice, while one group withheld its decision for several days.

Mr. Nelson stated that a group of Scout executives made up of men from Pawnee, Johnson, Nebraska, Richardson, Gage, Lancaster, Otoe, and Cass counties, were on an inspection tour of sites in eastern Nebraska Sunday and following a visit to Quivera, where the men cooked their lunch over open fires, most members were enthused over this location.

For some time the Cornhusker Council has felt the need for a campsite located in this area for use of eastern counties. Other sites are located in the central, North and western districts, but due to distance are not readily accessible to Scout groups. If accepted, the camp will be entirely renovated, a new mess hall, locker and other buildings will be erected and the camp ready for use next year.

Quivera camp was originally laid out and used about 20 years ago by the Lincoln Scout troops as a summer recreation and camp grounds. Since that time, the site has been allowed to run down, and during the past few years, it has been a fishing spot for local sportsmen.

## Baby Pictures To Be Printed In The Journal

Babies and other children are Cass county's best crop in any year, and the boys and never larger or better than in the past 12 months. Big and little blondes and brunettes, boys and girls, they are worth their weight in gold. There's nothing quite so precious as a cute baby—unless it's the baby's picture.

In order to make it possible to preserve the likenesses of the individual members of the county's best crop The Journal is extending a cordial invitation to all families within its territory to have pictures taken of their children. These pictures will be published in later issues. Tell your friends and neighbors of this offer to keep the photographers busy on Monday, October 20.

Everyone under 15 years of age is eligible. Beauty will be considered almost the least in judging the pictures. Personality, pleasing looks and just plain being cute will be given the most consideration. You enter by simply bringing your children to the IOOF Hall for their free pictures. The hours will be from 12 o'clock noon to 6 o'clock in the evening. All children must be accompanied by a parent. The (Continued on Page Five)

## J. S. Benschoter Dies in Omaha; To Be Buried There

A former Plattsmouth resident, J. S. Benschoter, 62, died Wednesday night, October 15, 1947 at his home in Omaha. Funeral services will be Saturday afternoon in the John A. Gentleman Mortuary and burial will be in Forest Lawn cemetery, Omaha.

For 15 years Mr. Benschoter operated a dairy and milk route in Plattsmouth, moving from here about 28 years ago to Omaha where he has since made his home.

He is survived by one son, Eugene, Santa Cruz, California and five daughters: Mrs. Lulu Dorsey, Santa Cruz, California, Mrs. Bob Griffith, Mrs. Paul Roessler and Mrs. Jim Emery, Omaha, and Mrs. Ed Bashus, Plattsmouth.

LINDLEY JAY WILLIAMS

Announcements have been received from Mr. and Mrs. Norval Williams of Pickrell, Nebraska, telling of the birth of a son, Lindley Jay. The Williams are former residents of Plattsmouth.

## Continue Christmas Decorating Contest

Roy Knorr, chairman of the Christmas street decorating committee of the Ad Club, announces the decorating contest offering \$5 for the best suggestion in street decorations for the Yuletide season as announced in last Thursday's Journal, will be continued for one week to enable more entries to submit their suggestions.

While a number of suggestions have been received, the number does not meet with expectations of the committee, and it is hoped the extension of time will bring in many more. Why not enter your idea, aid the Plattsmouth business men, and at the same time you can win a \$5 cash award.

## Nab Two Youths For Car Theft Tuesday Night

James David Rilev and Charles Robert Higgins, both 15, of Dawson, Neb., were turned over to Sheriff Solomon Tuesday evening by Richardson county authorities, and are being held here on charges of auto theft.

The two youths have confessed to the theft of the John Blotzer car, taken near the post office on North Fifth street about 10 o'clock Friday night. The car was later found abandoned in Nebraska City, where another car was stolen and found near Auburn.

A tip given to authorities by a man noticing two youths hitchhiking in the area where the second car was located, led to the arrest of the pair. The tinster noticed a large birthmark on the chin of one of the boys and Richardson County Sheriff Atkins learned of a youth carrying a similar mark living in Dawson. The first boy soon implicated the second.

Rilev has no previous record, while Higgins was arrested in Fremont last September on a similar complaint, and spent nine months at Boys Town. They will be brought before Judge Graves in justice court on charges of auto theft.

## Get Drivers Licenses Before October 30th

County Treasurer Ruth Patton warns motorists whose driver's licenses expired September 30 to renew the license before October 30. Failure to comply will force the driver to appear before an examination officer of the State Highway Patrol for a driver's test.

## Twenty Members Initiated Into VFW Auxiliary

In an impressive ceremony last Thursday night, October 9, twenty members of the VFW Auxiliary were initiated into the unit. The meeting, held in the club rooms, was called to order by the president, Vera Lewis.

An invitation from the president of District No. 6, Mrs. Nellie Morgan, was read inviting the Plattsmouth unit to attend the district meeting at Tecumseh the following night. She also asked that Mrs. Frank Strouh serve as district patriotic instructor. The district president asked for a full report of the unit from the unit president.

The unit voted to have a social hour and serve refreshments after the business meetings. They also voted to have a bake sale Saturday, October 18, to be held at Wal-Mart Market, members to furnish the baked goods for the sale.

The next meeting will be held Thursday, November 14.

## Two Youths Returned Omaha Boys Home

Two youths, John L. McIntyre, 13, and Jack D. Kinghorn, 12, were taken into custody by Sheriff Tom Solomon Tuesday evening about 9 o'clock near the Plattsmouth Motor Co. They had been given a ride from Omaha by a local citizen, who became suspicious by their ages, and notified the sheriff's office.

The pair informed authorities they had ran away from the Masonic Home for Boys in Omaha Tuesday afternoon. The superintendent of the boys' home called for the youths after being notified of their apprehension here.

The huge chrysanthemum belongs to the same family as the field daisy.

## Doll That Keeps Tears Away



"To keep me from crying," Patty Becker, 7, of Schenectady, N. Y., clutches her favorite doll, which she wanted to carry to the operating room in Shriners' Hospital for Crippled Children, Springfield, Mass., where her useless withered right leg was to be amputated. A cripple since birth, Patty will be fitted with an artificial limb so she can "go to school like other little girls."

## Jury Finds For Defendant In Accident Case

A Cass County District Court jury found for defendant James Sweet of Endicott, Neb., here Wednesday in the \$100,000 damage suit filed against him by Darrell Willoughby of Lincoln, following a two-day court hearing that heard numerous witnesses and viewed a large number of photos taken at the scene of the accident.

Sweet, defended by Smith and Lebens of Plattsmouth, and Earl Cline of Lincoln, was named defendant in the suit by Willoughby through his attorney, Max Towle, Lincoln, as a result of an accident near Greenwood July 29, 1945 on U. S. Highway No. 6, when the Sweet truck and the Willoughby car sideswiped and severed the left arm of the latter.

The plaintiff, through testimony attempted to prove that the truck traveling to Lincoln was on the wrong side of the lane of traffic, while the defendant countered with a like claim. Evidence submitted to the jury through witnesses upheld the defendant in the eyes of the jury.

Heard before Judge T. E. Dunbar of Nebraska City, the case was one of the hardest fought damage suits to be tried in Cass county for many years.

## Pleads Guilty To Intoxication

Harold McKay, 2324 South 13th St., Omaha, was arrested by Sheriff Tom Solomon Saturday night about two miles west of Plattsmouth on the Cedar Creek road and charged with intoxication. McKay was found in the center of the road sound asleep about 8 p. m. He pleaded guilty to the charge before Police Judge Graves Tuesday afternoon and was assessed a fine of \$10 and costs.

## Church Observes Fiftieth Year



St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Fifth and Avenue A, will observe its fiftieth anniversary Sunday, October 19, with special services at the building. Rev. E. J. Moritz is pastor.

## Harold Alkire Heads Keen-Time Club

Harold Alkire has been selected to head the Keen-time Club organization due to the resignation of Judge Paul E. Favouet and Mrs. Walter Tritsch, both of whom have devoted considerable time to the young people's club during the past. Mrs. Tritsch, especially, is to be commended for her untiring efforts during the past two years when on many occasions she has directed the affairs of the club and acted as sponsor single handedly.

Other officers named to aid in the direction of the club during the coming year are Dale Bowman, vice-chairman; Mrs. Lola Ofe, secretary-treasurer; Miles Eloe, Don Cotner, Mrs. Marie Richards, Rev. Tuckek and Walter Smith, directors.

Keen-time Club now composed of 144 members, is made up of young people in the 13 to 19 age group, all of whom are high school students. With 280 members in high school, the membership denotes a fine interest in the activity. Dues are only 50 cents a year, and whether high school students or not, any young person in the above age group is welcome to join.

Dances are held in the VFW Hall every Friday evening during the year. The hall, generously donated by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, also provides card tables for pinocchio and other social games where the Keen-time's join in their social activities.

Parents of teenagers are urged to attend these social functions and take an active part in the activities of the club. Committees are not closed and suggestions and personal assistance is welcomed.

Friday evening, October 17, has been set aside for a Keen-time dance at the hall. New and old members are urged to attend.

## AWOL Soldier Taken Near Union Sunday

Donald L. Hass, 25, Kent, Washington, was taken into custody Sunday while hitchhiking near Union on Highway 34 by State Highway Patrolman Walters and was turned over to Sheriff Tom Solomon for confinement.

Hass was using the name of Thompson when arrested, and had identification cards on his person bearing out his claim. Also found were identification cards of other persons. Under questioning here, Hass told many conflicting stories.

Continued questioning by the sheriff revealed the prisoner's true name and the information that he was an escapee from the Ft. Leavenworth prison barracks, having gone AWOL while playing with the prison band at a YMCA dance October 4. He further revealed that he was originally sent up on an AWOL charge for five years, later escaping and earning another 18-year stretch, the latter cut to two years.

Hass was turned over to Ft. Crook authorities pending arrival of guards from Ft. Leavenworth to return him to prison.

## Rotarians Hear State Game Commissioners

Speakers at the Rotary club meeting Tuesday noon were Rod Amundson, supervisor of conservation education, and Lloyd P. Vance, game supervisor, both of the Nebraska Game Commission, Lincoln. The men told about the plans for the game reserve on the old rifle range and also led a discussion on timely hints for the hunting season. Carl Christy was program chairman.

## Izaak Walton League Meeting Tonight

President Robert Walling of the Izaak Walton League urges all members of the newly-formed organization to attend the charter program arranged for tonight at the 40 and 8 club rooms. State officers and heads of other leagues will be here for the presentation of the charter and Plattsmouth should make a good showing at this meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Donat, Henry Donat and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Hendricks and daughter, Marilyn Jean were in Wahoo Wednesday to visit with their daughter and sister, Mrs. Emil Havelka and Mrs. Havelka.

# FOUR IN HOSPITAL AFTER CAR LEAVES HIGHWAY ON DEAD MAN'S CURVE HERE

## Sophus Winther To Write Novel Of Cass County

Here for a visit with his niece and to obtain material for a new novel, Sophus Winther, noted novelist, is renewing acquaintances in Plattsmouth and Cass county and revisiting familiar scenes of his childhood. Mr. and Mrs. Winther and a brother, Soren Winther, are at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Vallery, south of Plattsmouth.

Author of several novels, Mr. Winther has attained recognition abroad where his works have been translated into the Danish and Swedish languages. A little more than a year ago he was decorated by King Christian of Denmark for his literary achievements.

Mr. Winther's works include a trilogy of novels, "Take All to Nebraska", "Mortgage Your Heart" and "This Passion Never Dies." He has also written two books of literary criticism, one of them on his friend, Eugene O'Neill, his most recent book, published last year, is "Beyond the Garden Gate", a novel with a setting in the Willamette Valley in Oregon.

Mr. Winther says that his new book will have its setting in Cass county and will open with incidents dealing with the toll bridge in Louisville in the early part of this century.

One of six brothers, Mr. Winther is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Anton Winther who farmed west of Weeping Water from 1900 to 1912. His father took out his citizenship papers in Plattsmouth in 1904. Another of the brothers, on the faculty of the University of Indiana, has just had his book, "A History of the Great Northwest", published by Alfred Knopf.

Arriving Tuesday evening from Seattle, the Winthers expect to be here for about ten days before traveling on to Bloomington, Indiana where they will visit their brother and later go to New York.

## Gov. Peterson Will Address Masons Monday

Gov. Val Peterson, of Nebraska, will deliver the principal address here Monday night when the Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6 A. F. & A. M. hold their twenty-third Past Master's night honoring Edward E. Wehrlein, retiring Master of the Lodge.

A special program and dinner has been arranged for 6:30 p. m. at the Masonic Hall at Fifth and Main Streets. J. Howard Davis will act as toastmaster, with innovation by Dr. H. G. McClusky. Greetings will be extended by C. Arthur Wetenkamp, newly elected Master, and response by Luke L. Wiles. Wayne A. Bennett will present the Past Master's Jewel, followed by the introduction of guests and Grand Lodge officers.

Founded in Plattsmouth in 1858, Lodge No. 6 is one of the oldest in Nebraska. First Worshipful Master of the Lodge was Edmund A. Donelan.

## A. W. Zech Buys Auto Service

Vet's Auto Service, formerly Sharp's, has been purchased by A. W. Zech.

Mr. Zech lived in Plattsmouth several years ago, but recently has been residing in California. According to him, business conditions in certain sections of the West Coast have been poor during the last few months because of a fruit and vegetable surplus.

Vet's Auto Service will continue to offer 24 hour wrecker service in the Plattsmouth area.

In 1600, Robert Bakewell of England developed the Leicester breed of sheep.

## Rex Young Sells Farm Near Union

A good example in the rise of land prices was revealed here this week by Rex Young, auctioneer and real estate dealer. Mr. Young sold the J. B. Reynolds farm for the second time within 18 months this week. Sold over a year ago to Charles Heasley, Omaha, at \$137.50 per acre, the farm was sold again this week to Neils Madsen, Union, for \$170 an acre. An 80-acre farm, it is located two and one-half miles southwest of Union near the Otoe county line.

## Ed Gradoville Stars for Army Last Saturday

Ed Gradoville, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gradoville, of this city, received national recognition following Saturday's Army game in Yankee Stadium, New York, when the West Pointers met a highly touted Illinois eleven and played them a 0-0 tie.

Bob Consideine, International News Service sports writer covering the game was high in his praise of Gradoville, writing:

"As Army fought off defeat with several stands deep in its own territory, the Cadets uncovered a punting surprise in little Ed Gradoville of Plattsmouth, Neb."

"Moved off the reserves this week, Gradoville's booming punts and quick kicks time and again pulled the Army out of trouble."

Gradoville was an honor student of Plattsmouth high and an outstanding athlete both here and at Nebraska university before entering West Point in the fall of 1946. Localites predict that "Little Ed" will be heard from further before this season is completed.

## Elmer Lohnes Buys Jennie Smith Home

Elmer Lohnes, Plattsmouth, has purchased the home at 1001 First Avenue, the property of the late Mrs. Jennie Smith. Purchase was made from the heirs through Frank Clodt, administrator, for a consideration of \$6,675.

Sale of household goods and personal property will be held at the residence Friday, October 17, with Rex Young as auctioneer. Included in the sale are several fine antique pieces and numerous other items.

## LEGION CONVENTION IN NEBR. CITY MONDAY

Delegates of the American Legion post and the Legion Auxiliary unit will attend the district convention in Nebraska City, Monday, October 20. It will be an all-day meeting.

## Polar Guard



To Lt.-Gen. Nathan F. Twining goes the job of co-ordinating all American military forces in Alaska, the nation's most exposed and strategic frontier. He is the first Air Corps officer to assume supreme command of a major theater under the new Department of National Defense.

Dead Man's Curve claimed five more victims this Thursday morning about 7-15, sending four persons to Omaha hospitals with broken limbs and other injuries, when a car owned and driven by Miss Grace Livingston left the curve and plunged into a ditch on Highway 75 north of Plattsmouth.

The injured include: Miss Grace Livingston, driver, in Doctor's Hospital with a broken right leg and bruises.

Mrs. Robert Vallery in Doctor's Hospital with a serious back injury and awaiting x-ray. Francis B. Toman at St. Joseph's Hospital with a possible dislocated right hip.

Wayne Lewis in Doctor's Hospital with serious face cuts and a broken right thumb.

Less seriously injured was Grant Roberts who received cuts about the face when the car landed in the ditch as the group were on their way to jobs in Omaha. It is thought a mechanical defect in the steering mechanism was responsible for the accident, according to Sheriff Tom Solomon, who investigated the crash.

According to witnesses the car began to weave approaching the curve, climbed over the curb to the right, shot back into the highway and took a straight plunge down a steep embankment on the right side of the roadway. The car did not turn over.

Grant Roberts, less seriously injured, extracted himself from the auto, which caught on fire following the crash. His presence of mind in pulling wires and extinguishing the flame probably prevented a serious catastrophe.

Hailing a passing motorist, Roberts drove into Plattsmouth, notified the Sheriff, Caldwell and Sattler Ambulance services, and Doctor O. C. Hudson, all of whom arrived at the scene, gave first aid and rushed the victims to hospitals.

Condition of the injured persons are favorable at the time The Journal goes to press.

## Mrs. Helen Cook Dies of Polio In Omaha Hospital

Mrs. Helen Cook, 25, Elmwood, died Tuesday night at Doctor's hospital in Omaha where she has been confined for over a year in an iron lung, a victim of polio.

Mrs. Cook, stricken with the dreaded disease last year was taken to Doctor's hospital on October 25, 1946, where she has been continuously confined to an iron lung but for a four-hour respite last May when she submitted to a kidney operation.

She put up a gallant fight against her affliction and had the encouragement of her friends throughout the county. But her efforts and the best of medical attention proved futile.

Surviving Mrs. Cook are her husband, Wendell, a 2-year-old daughter, both of Elmwood, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Johnston.

Services and burial will be at Elmwood with the Haynes Funeral Home in charge.

## Victory Medals Awarded at VFW

Victory-Defense Medals will be awarded to eligible veterans at the Veteran of Foreign Wars Club Room next Wednesday.

Any veterans who are qualified should present their discharge papers at the V.F.W. Club Room, 335 Main between 6-00 p. m. and 9-00 p. m. Wednesday, October 22.

HERE FROM S. DAKOTA

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Furois of St. Ouge, South Dakota, are at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Doody. Mrs. Doody is a sister of Mr. Furois. On Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Tom Doody of Fremont were here to visit with their parents and the relatives from South Dakota.