

## Dial Telephone System Serves Local Subscribers

Plattsmouth and rural subscribers of the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph company are now being served over the new dial system that was cut over Thursday evening at 10:30. This brings the local subscribers the very latest and best in the line of service of any community of the state.

The ceremonies of making the change over was held at the beautiful new building of the company at 7th and Main streets and attended by a large group of the telephone officials as well as a number of the local people.

Among the local people invited in addition to the visiting telephone officials were: Mayor Clement Woster, H. A. Schneider, President of the Plattsmouth State Bank, Dwight Edwards, secretary of the chamber of commerce, R. R. Furse, publisher of the Journal, John Schreiner, president of the chamber of commerce, Richard Peck, Victor Schreiner, Fred P. Busch, president of the Business Men's Ad club, Searl S. Davis, William Baird, T. H. Pollock, and Fred Feldhausen.

The formal opening was a call from Mayor Woster to J. A. Agee, general manager of the telephone company with the conversation between the two showing the appreciation of the Plattsmouth people and the confidence of the company in the future development of the city.

Mayor Woster, "Mr. Agee?" Mr. Agee, "Yes?" Mayor Woster, "This is Clement Woster, Mayor of Plattsmouth. This is the first official long distance call placed over our new dial telephone system and I thought it proper and appropriate to call you and express our thanks and appreciation for a fine new telephone system. I know the people of Plattsmouth are mighty proud of it."

Mr. Agee, "Well, it certainly is very thoughtful of you to call me and I want to say to you that we are just as pleased as you are that the new system is finally in operation. We were beginning to think that you would give us all (Continued on Page Eight)

## Need Increased Enrollment for Off-Campus Class

Meeting here Tuesday night at the high school with a group interested in off-campus study work, Dr. Harold Wise of the University of Nebraska encountered difficulties in finding enough students to comprise a class. According to the extension division regulations, 15 students must be enrolled for a class.

Although 20 persons were at the meeting, not enough of them had the required number of college hours to qualify for the course being offered. Ed 950 O. C. organization and administration of audio-visual aids. Prerequisites for the course, said Dr. Wise, are 53 hours of credit, including six hours of education.

Dr. Wise has offered to teach two classes to accommodate those who want to earn college credit for renewal of certificates or for obtaining a degree. This means that each class must have 15 students. In addition to the courses in visual aids Dr. Wise will offer another course for students on a lower level.

All those interested in earning college credit are asked to contact Supt. Priest at the high school building at their earliest convenience in order that class work may be started as soon as possible.

## C. MCGRAW BUYS BARTHOLO PROPERTY

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford McGraw have purchased the property at 805 South First street, formerly owned by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Barthold, now of South Sioux City. The deal was completed by Stephen Davis, realtor.

Recently returned from a year's residence in Chamois, Mo., the McGraws have been making their home with Mrs. McGraw's mother, Mrs. Noah Parker. They have three small children.

## Home on Leave

S. S. John Chamberlain arrived Sunday from San Diego for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kaffenberger. Upon his return to the west coast he will become a first class seaman and will attend electronics school at San Francisco.

## Making First Call



J. A. Agee, general manager and vice-president of the Lincoln company unable to be present at the switchover, is shown at his home in Lincoln while in conversation with Mayor Woster during the first call placed over the new dial system.

## Keentime Klub Held Masquerade Friday Evening

The Keentime club, composed of the teen-agers of the city, 13 to 19 years of age, enjoyed a very delightful masquerade hall Friday evening at the VFW club rooms. There were 120 present. There was a very large number of the young people in costume, making it necessary to offer both first and second prizes, with the honors in the girls group going to Mary Jo Rebal, first and Patricia Rogers, second. In the boys group Jim Alkire was first and Chuck Newton, second.

The Gene Lingford orchestra furnished a fine program of dance music for the occasion in their usual skillful manner.

The judges for the ball were selected from members of the senior women's club and comprised Mrs. Mollie Gobelman, Mrs. Fred Pea, Mrs. Guy Wiles. The Keentime club is one of the outstanding organizations of the city, one that fills a long needed outlet for the social entertainment of the teenagers. There are 180 of the young people enrolled. It is democratic in the true sense of the word and all young people in the age limits, regardless of school affiliation, are invited to be members. The dues of the club is 50 cents a year and from this the club is able to maintain their activities.

The club is very grateful to the Veterans of Foreign Wars who have given the free use of their rooms to the club members for their meeting and social activities. It is the desire of the club members that the parents of the members attend the club activities and to observe how excellently the club is conducted and the young people given the opportunity for a fine social time. The evening was closed with the serving of refreshments of cider and doughnuts.

## Traffic Accidents Many Saturday Night

Traffic accidents on the slipstream Saturday night and early Sunday morning kept Sheriff Tom Solomon and his force on the highway until 8 o'clock Sunday morning. Most of the accidents resulted in little personal injury.

A truck loaded with Mexican laborers, headed back to Mexico, left the highway south of the Murray corner and slid into a ditch. One man received leg injuries in the accident and was cared for at the St. Mary's hospital in Plattsmouth. Another accident happened during the early hours of Sunday one mile north of the Union corner on U. S. highway No. 75, involving three cars.

An Ace construction company truck headed south on the highway, driven by Allen R. Tooley, Morrill, Nebraska, struck a car headed north driven by George F. Bucholz of Plattsmouth. The truck after striking the car then struck another car headed north which was driven by Elmer Bucholz of Nebraska City. Damage was heavy to all three vehicles. Mrs. George Bucholz was thrown clear of the car and sustained minor injuries and was taken on into St. Mary's hospital. She was released later with only bruises and sprains as her main injuries, the office of Sheriff Solomon reports.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Keil and family of Kansas City, were here over the week end, guests at the home of Mr. Keil's father, Louis Keil and Mrs. Keil. They returned home Sunday afternoon.

## Chamber to Back Plans For the Christmas Season

The regular meeting of the Chamber of Commerce on Thursday evening at the dining room of the Rainey cafe, brought an attendance of some twenty-six members to take part.

John Schreiner, president of the club, presided over the meeting. Fred P. Busch, president of the Business Men's Ad club, was presented and discussed with the Chamber of Commerce plans for the Christmas holiday season. It is hoped have a definite scheme for a general system of street decoration in the business section of the city, that will make a colorful and attractive feature of the holiday season.

The Chamber of Commerce expressed their willingness to go ahead in the program of decoration and also to support the Ad club as far as possible. It was asked that the Ad club make a survey and arrange plans for the decorations, also what may be needed in the Santa Claus features of the holiday season, presenting this to the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce when completed.

T. H. Pollock urged that the transportation and improvement committee of the Chamber of Commerce take up the matter of the improvement of the road that leads to the Missouri river deck. It was also suggested that the civic body look into the matter of securing a spur track from the Burlington tracks to the dock terminal to stimulate the expansion of the facilities.

The Cass county board of commissioners met Tuesday in their regular monthly session at the court house. Commissioners Parr Young, Alvan Reid and Charles Strober were all present to participate in the meeting.

The board received a petition signed by residents of Salt Creek precinct and the village of Greenwood, asking for the appointment of Charles Armstrong as justice of the peace in and for that precinct. The board approved the petition and made the appointment as asked. Mr. Armstrong will later name his constable.

The reports of the various county officers were received and showed the following fees: Sheriff, \$75.25; register of deeds, \$169.00; county clerk, \$2.80; surveyor, \$159.13; clerk of the district court, \$154.20.

## Mrs. Rose Baumgart Passes 87th Birthday

Sunday Mrs. Rose Baumgart, long time resident of this community, was honor guest at a pleasant family dinner party at the home on east Avenue 1.

The event honored the eighty-seventh birthday of Mrs. Baumgart, who has made her home in Cass county since the late eighties and where she has many friends.

Mrs. Baumgart was born in Bremen, Switzerland, coming to the United States as a young woman, residing first in Kansas and later in Cass county, they being located on a farm until moving to this city.

Those enjoying the dinner were Fred Baumgart and niece, Anna My Baumgart of Sterling, Nebraska, Louis Baumgart and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Claus and son, Wilbur, Mrs. Earl Ossenkop of Lincoln.

## Leonard Yates is Given Army Rating

WITH THE EIGHTH ARMY IN JAPAN—Private First Class Leonard Yates, son of Mr. and Mrs. John V. Yates, is now a qualified gliderist after his recent course at the 11th Airborne Training Center at Yamoto, Japan. Leonard also qualified as a parachutist at this school in March '47 and has eight jumps to his credit.

The one week course at the school for gliderists consisted of loading and lashing airborne equipment in the CG-4A glider and a tactical flight. An equipment jump followed by a tactical problem climaxed the course.

Yates entered the Army in September '46. He joined the 11th Airborne Division in January '47 and was assigned to the 511 Parachute Infantry Regiment.

## Ceremonies Mark Dial Telephone Inauguration



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Top left photo shows John Schreiner, president of the Chamber of Commerce, pressing the button that cut in the new \$140,000 dial telephone service at the new building, last Thursday evening. Looking on are John McKenzie, district manager, Richard Peck, E. H. Bernhardt, Vic Schreiner and Fred Busch. To the right, Mayor Clem Woster is making the first call over the new system, surrounded by L. T. & T. Co. officials. Lower left: Officials and local employees are shown at the new long-distance switch boards, with Miss Merlie Markuson, Lincoln supervisor, Hilda Fitzgerald, Mrs. Hilda Johanna and Elizabeth Edwards, first to operate the board. Searl Davis and Wm. Baird, Lower right: Richard Peck, Vic Schreiner, R. R. Furse, John Schreiner, Fred Busch, local business men, have been shown the giant automatic switch boards in the new installations. Next to Mr. Busch is T. S. Risser, Automatic Equipment Engineer in charge of installing the equipment. Adrian Newens, area manager, reported 300 calls entered the first 15 minutes and 1000 the first hour following the cutover.

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## Better Marking For Streets And House Numbers

The crying need for better street marking and numbering of residences over the city, was brought to the attention of the Chamber of Commerce, by Edward M. Egenberger, postmaster of this city.

Mr. Egenberger brought out the fact that the postal department has required that residences be properly numbered to aid in the prompt handling of the mail, to aid the postal carrier in getting the mail to the patrons. A very large number of the residences over the city are not numbered as is required.

Another matter was that of the markings on the streets so that the postal carriers as well as others might be able to locate their patrons or friends. Mr. Egenberger also called attention to the fact that many are now planning their Christmas mail, urging that all gift packages for the United States be mailed by December 1st if possible, to insure their delivery in time for the holiday season. He stated that Christmas cards be mailed by December 15th, as the heavy flow of mail makes it impossible to guarantee the delivery of the cards before Christmas.

## Rotarians Enjoy Music Program

The Plattsmouth Rotary club held a largely attended noon day meeting on Tuesday at the dining room of the Rainey coffee shop. John Schreiner, program chairman, introduced the numbers on the program. David Fowler was presented in two violin numbers, with vocal numbers being given by Frank A. Cloyd and Mrs. Virgil H. Ulrich. There will be no meeting of the club on Tuesday, November 11th, this date being a holiday.

## Thelma Mae Davis Wins Acquittal

Thelma Mae Davis, charged with child abandonment, won an acquittal Friday in the district court. The defendant had been returned to the city from the west where she has been residing since leaving here early in the summer, to face the charges preferred against her.

The case took up the greater part of Friday with the jury taking the issues of the case at 5:33 Friday evening and returning their verdict at 9:25. The case had attracted a great deal of interest in this city where the parties are well known and many were present to hear the testimony.

Attorney Francis Casey represented the defendant in the action.

## Bowling League Standings

The standings in the bowling league for the week ending October 27th are reported as follows:

Jess New Way	W	1	191
Stewarts Radio	7	2	778
Woods	6	3	487
V. F. W. Post	6	3	487
Platts, Motors	6	3	487
Hinky-Dinky	5	4	555
Wilson's Bakery	5	4	555
Tim's Tavern	5	4	555
Bart Cook	5	4	555
Belhousen Drugs	4	5	444
R. & M. Radio	4	5	444
V. F. W. Auxiliary	4	5	444
Marty's Tavern	3	6	333
Platts, Creamery	1	8	111

A new device to help the deaf child improve his speech utilizes an electrically-operated illuminated tape.

## Rainfall Brings Smiles to Farmers

The rainfall of the last of the week has brought smiles to the wheat farmers of this section of Cass county, the large number in the city Saturday, expressing their pleasure at the moisture.

The wheat has in the past month been needing rain quite badly, but the present rain that fell over the section has freshened the growing crop and given a better chance for a good small grain crop.

The farmers and members of their families were numerous on Saturday afternoon here taking advantage of the crisp fall day to come in for the week end shopping and to visit with each other.

## Legion District Convention At Nebraska City

The twenty-sixth annual convention of the twelfth district, American Legion of Nebraska, was held on Monday at Nebraska City with a large group of delegates from the district composed of Cass, Otoe, Seward and rural Lancaster county.

The convention was opened by Joe Johns, district commander, who presented the various participants in the program. The greetings from the Nebraska City post was extended by Bill Bishof, commander. The response was by Joe Johns of Weeping Water.

The highlight of the afternoon session was the address by Earl P. Barnes, state commander of the Legion. In his remarks he made a plea for the combating of the communistic teaching in the United States, seeking to create division among the people, creating dissatisfaction with the American way of life. Mr. Barnes also urged the support of the universal military training program as a means of preparedness in time of crisis. He discussed the plans of the Legion in the change over from Boy's state to Boy's county. He touched on the Legion college that is held each year and the fact that each Legion post may send at least one student. In the Plattsmouth and Cass county area Plattsmouth is to send two, one from the Legion post and one sponsored by the 40 & 8 society. Discussion groups were held during the afternoon on various phases of veterans work in conjunction with the Veterans Administration. In this A. H. Duxbury, assistant manager, Elmer A. Webb, state service officer, both former Plattsmouth men, Dr. Harry Scott of the hospital and Mr. Warner participated. Richard Peck of Plattsmouth, was the chairman of the resolution committee.

In the election of officers Arthur Melles of Nebraska City was named as the new district commander. The day was closed by the joint banquet of the Legion and auxiliary served at the St. Mary's church, followed by the convention dance.

## Blue Devils Watch Pioneer Battles

The Plattsmouth high school football squad, as well as the fans, watched with interest the game Wednesday night at Nebraska City when the Falls City Tigers turned back the Pioneers by score of 7 to 0.

The Pioneers are to meet the Blue Devils of this city in their traditional game soon, and this will be as usual be one of the high spots of the season.

The Falls City fans had a special train Wednesday to Nebraska City to witness the battle that assured Falls City another southeastern Nebraska crown.

Nebraska City is the second team in the conference standing with an assurance of retaining this place. Falls City has yet to play Auburn but feel assured of a victory. Plattsmouth is not in the southeastern conference.

## Committee Busy on Building Plans

The committee that is conducting the completion of the final details of the Hillcrest residential, addition to the city, is working hard on the proposition. They have had several meetings with the FHA and other bodies and expect definite results in a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Hendricks and daughter, Marilyn Jean were dinner guests Friday at the home of Mrs. Fern Hendricks in Omaha.

## Swine Breeding Stock Shown in Sale at Eagle

Southeastern Nebraska quality in breeding stock was shown at the Maahs brothers Duroc boar and gilt sale at Eagle last week. Those who attended the sale were also impressed by the hospitality shown them by the hosts.

Buyers paid \$15,592 for fifty-five head of breeding stock from one of the top herds of the nation. The highest price paid was for a boar going to Ernest Johnson of Prophetstown, Illinois. He paid \$1,750 for the animal.

The story of the three Maahs brothers, George, Everett and Ivan is an illustration of the effective work of the 4-H club training on the youth of the land. They each secured their start, one at a time in the 4-H club work.

George, the oldest of the brothers, started with a sow, a desire to raise hogs and no capital, back in 1929. The other boys followed his footsteps, and in 1929 they held their first pure bred Duroc breeding hog sale.

Since that time they have held seven sales. Last year they had what was considered by hog breeders, the top Duroc sale in the United States.

When they started they were on a rented farm. With their sale earnings George has bought a farm near Greenwood and Everett and Ivan have bought another near Wahoo.

Part of their success can be attributed to the fact that any and all buyers in Eagle for the sales day are made to feel at home. They are invited to inspect the animals before the sale begins. They meet other breeders from all sections of the country and talk over their problems and successes.

Most of the sale's success, however, is due to the fact that the boys put livestock in the ring that buyers wanted to put in their own herds.

Proper care and good feeding as well as good blood lines are necessary to make good in the hog business according to the Maahs brothers.

The sales are conducted by Col. H. J. McMurray, veteran auctioneer, who very ably guides the progress of the sales.

Buyers are on hand from as far as Illinois, FFA boys and 4-H members were doing some bidding on animals for livestock projects. Fred Devore, Omaha, represented breeders as far distant as Florida.

Final averages on the sale were \$281 each for the forty hogs and \$190 for the gilts. When one considers the market price for these same hogs would average from \$70 to \$75 each, these boys have done all right by themselves.

## Neighbors Aid Ailing Friend

Albert Todd, one of the young farmers of near this city, has been a patient at the Methodist hospital at Omaha the past two weeks suffering from an infection of the leg. He is now improving and expects to be home soon.

While Mr. Todd was ill, a group of the neighbors and friends joined together to come in and send their seed corn crop on the farm northwest of this city.

The members of the party with four two-row corn pickers, invaded the Todd farm on Friday, October 17th and in a short time the thirty-five acres was picked and the corn taken care of.

Those with corn pickers were: Frank Biedl, Donald Born, Walter Fornoff and Chester Wiles. Those that helped pull in the loads and elevated the corn into trucks were: Ivan Taylor, Forrest Todd, Ted Wiles, Fred Ohlenhausen and Claud Mayab. Mrs. Forrest Todd assisted in getting the dinner while Mrs. William Starkiohn furnished a lovely cake to add to the repast.

## District Meet of County Officials

Cass county officials have received notification that the district meet of the Southeastern Nebraska County Officials will be held at the Hotel Lincoln at Lincoln on Thursday, October 30th.

Registration will be made at the hotel at 11:00 a. m. and the dinner at 12:30. The meeting will elect the officers for the coming year. County Clerk George R. Sayles is expecting that a very large number of the local officials will be present at the session.

## BLUE DEVILS RECEIVE HATS



Cliff Wescott, of the Wescott Clothing Company, is shown above presenting the Champ hats to Chas. Fulton, end, and Pete Peterson, captain, of the Blue Devil squad, for their outstanding work in the line during the Homecoming game here with Glenwood. Judges could not agree which of the above pair was the better, so Wescott's gave each a hat.—(Photo by Chriswiser.)