

Wayne O. Reed Speaker at Commencement

The speaker for the commencement exercises on Friday, May 21 will be Wayne O. Reed, superintendent of public instruction of the state of Nebraska.

Mr. Reed is not a stranger to the residents of Cass county as his educational work prior to his election to the state post was in Otoe county a large part of the time. He was engaged as a rural school teacher in Otoe county from 1930 to 1933, high school teacher and principal at the Palmyra school 1935-36, superintendent of school at Palmyra 1936-38 and county superintendent of Otoe county from 1939 to 1943. Mr. Reed has served as the state superintendent of public instruction since 1943 and will be a candidate for this post again at the November election.

Aside from his school activities Mr. Reed has had a great deal of activity in many lines of civic duties. U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce, national director for Nebraska, 1942; national vice-chairman, aviation committee,



Wayne O. Reed

1944-1945; national chairman training section, aviation committee, 1945-46; national chairman, aviation education, 1946-47; Nebraska State Veterans service coordinating committee, Fraternal Order of Eagles (former president of Nebraska City Aerie), Boy Scout Leader, Cornhusker Boys State governing board, Nebraska Council of Parents and Teachers, Nebraska Society for Crippled Children, Native Sons and Daughters of Nebraska, Nebraska State Historical Society, Nebraska Wildlife Federation.

This feature of the graduation program will be a real treat to the residents of the community and a fitting climax of the high school work of the fine group of boys and girls.

Will Present Views Of Scout Camp Site

The members of the Boy Scouts of Plattsmouth and nearby territory, will have the opportunity of enjoying a fine pictorial presentation on Thursday evening of this week of "The Cedars," new Scout camp located near Fremont, Neb.

These are colored slides secured by Vincent Macklin, scout field executive of Nebraska City, and will be shown at the Holy Rosary hall at the church in the west part of the city.

Mr. Macklin will give a fine description of the camp and its work for the scouts and will be well worth hearing. This camp will be used for scouting activities during the summer season and is well worth being visited and enjoyed by the various group of scouts from this section of Nebraska.

POLICE COURT NOTES

Judge C. L. Graves had a busy session of court on Tuesday when two men were arraigned for trial before him. Donald Fucinaso of Omaha, was charged with driving through a stop sign, and received a fine of \$5 and costs. Henry Shelton, claiming Nelson, Mo., as his home, faced the court on a charge of intoxication and was given a fine of \$10 and costs for the offense. The arrests were made by the city police.

Civil Air Patrol Special Program

The Plattsmouth squadron of the Civil Air Patrol will have a special program at 7 o'clock Thursday evening of this week. Everyone interested is invited to attend.

Open House Today and Friday at New Telephone Building



One of the features of the open house being held Thursday and Friday at the new modern exchange of the Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Co., building will be the showing of a demonstration board. This special board is brought from the main offices at Lincoln for the educational value to patrons. The board is electric and reveals the actual operation of a telephone call placed over the dial system, from the time that the number is dialed, until it is received by the phone being called. It takes the call through all of the steps until it is finally completed. This is something that few subscribers have had the opportunity of seeing.

Izaak Walton League Holds Outdoor Meet

Tuesday evening the members of the Plattsmouth chapter of the Izaak Walton league, taking advantage of the pleasant summer weather, held their regular meeting at the cottage of W. R. Holly near the Platte river, north of the city.

The meeting was held in the open with the attractive lawn of the cottage making a most delightful spot for the event. The business session of the league was presided over by President Robert M. Walling.

The members of the league unanimously adopted a resolution of sympathy for Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Brecht, in the loss of their stable of horses, a loss that the Waltonians, as lovers of nature, can fully appreciate.

The members informally discussed plans for the remainder of the summer and the coming fall season that will show a great deal of activity for the league.

The remainder of the evening was spent in visiting and having a most delightful time in the pleasant surroundings.

The refreshment committee composed of M. W. Williamson, W. H. Schmidtmann and Clyde Rosborough was on the job with a fine lunch to bring to a close a meeting long to be remembered.

A guest of the evening was Lt. C. L. Dewesse and W. Earl Wolfe, father of Mrs. Dewesse, who is here visiting with the daughter.

VISITS HERE THURSDAY

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Loxson of Syracuse visited friends briefly Thursday enroute to Omaha. Their daughter, Miss Ruth, is to be married June 1.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Peterson

of Sedalia, Mo., are here for a visit at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Elmer Stoehr and family near this city and with the many old time friends.

County Officers Make Reports

At the session of the board of county commissioners this week the various county officers made their reports for the month of April and filed the same with the board of commissioners. The offices of the sheriff and county surveyor are required to report only quarterly. The reports were as follows: Register of Deeds, \$198.65; county court, \$136.70; county judge, \$424.45; clerk of the district court, \$225.50; county surveyor, \$9.80.

The board of county commissioners also approved the application of Merlin E. Baker for an on and off beer license in the village of Cedar Creek.

Negro Arrested Here Proves a Strong Alibi

St. Louis, Mo., police report that Wade Harrington, 26, colored, arrested in the Missouri Pacific railroad yards here on last Wednesday, as a suspect in a rape-slaving of a three year old girl at St. Louis, has offered an "iron clad" alibi.

Harrington was taken in custody here on reports from St. Louis, by Sheriff Tom Solomon and members off the state safety patrol.

St. Louis police and authorities are reported as planning a lie detector test for the man.

The victim in the killing was Elaine Tomlin. Her body was found stuffed in a doghouse near her home in St. Louis on May 4th.

Soil Conservation Course Set Up In Public Schools

Soil conservation is to be added to the curriculum of Nebraska high schools next fall it was announced today by State Superintendent Wayne O. Reed.

He explained that the State Department of Public Instruction has prepared a comprehensive pamphlet for use of teachers in presenting various phases of soil conservation problems.

"The booklet," Reed said, "has been prepared to direct attention to the seriousness of the erosion and to the importance of its solution, not only to Nebraska, but to the United States and the rest of the world as well."

The manuscript was developed by Edgar S. Farley, instructor in the Lincoln school system. The booklet presents a general picture of the need for soil conservation, a suggested course of study, and a guide to supplemental materials. It is well illustrated with pictures.

It explains soil erosion and its seriousness, how soil erosion is caused, what has been done to check it, and what high school boys and girls can do to promote good soil conservation practices.

A. C. McClymonds, regional conservator for the soil conservation service, after studying the pamphlet said that Nebraska "has taken a pioneering step in introducing soil conservation in Nebraska high school curriculum." He also pointed out that Nebraska is the first of six states in the northern great plains region to "take this important step."

California's orange crop is expected to decrease 15 per cent this year, while lemons increase 10 per cent.

Richard Peck On Universal Military Training

There was a very fine attendance of the membership of the Plattsmouth Rotary club present Tuesday at the weekly luncheon of the organization and to enjoy an exceptionally fine program.

President E. J. Richey presided and the musical section was in charge of Orville Nielsen and E. H. Wesert to direct and accompany the group singing.

Attorney Richard Peck was the program chairman and gave a very clear and able presentation of the question of the adoption of Universal Military Training as a part of the national defense, as a measure of preserving the peace.

Mr. Peck pointed out the fact that the lack of proper training for war had resulted in the loss of thousands of lives unnecessarily, and the burden that it had laid on the taxpayers of the nation in war costs.

The speaker also stressed the fact that the youth given this training was not to anticipate war, but to train men so, when if necessary, they are called into service, are capable of defending themselves and their country.

Under the training program that has been suggested the youth would be protected from many of the aspects of army camp life that is so often found in war time training.

The program as pointed out by Mr. Peck has received the endorsement of veteran organizations whose members had learned bitterly the lack of adequate training until thrust into actual warfare.

Its talk was followed with interest and gave opportunity for deep thought on the part of the Rotarians.

Mrs. Roscoe Hill Heads Lincoln Board

Plattsmouth friends of the E. C. Hill family, former residents of this city, will be interested in learning that Mrs. Roscoe Hill has been named as the president of the Lincoln board of education.

Mrs. Hill was recently elected to the board and has been named to head this important position in directing one of the largest public school systems in the state.

Roscoe Hill, husband of Mrs. Hill, is one of the well known business men of east Lincoln where he has a large hatchery and manufacture of poultry feeds.

Glenwood Guard Company Called Out

Wednesday night at 10 o'clock the members of Co. L, Iowa National Guard of Glenwood, were alerted and ordered to report to the armory to prepare for active guard duty. They were ordered to Waterloo, Ia., where the strike at the Rath Packing Co., has developed violence that requires the presence of the guard troops.

The company, headed by Captain Ross Garrett, and comprising thirty-five enlisted personnel, was taken to Waterloo by bus to be on the scene of activity this morning (Thursday).

Graduation Exercises Friday Evening

The graduation of the Plattsmouth high school will be held at 8 o'clock on Friday, May 21 at the auditorium of the high school, when the class of fifty-three students will bid farewell to the school that has been their educational home through the past four years.

This year the class officers are Carol Lou Barnhardt, president; John H. Johnson, vice-president; Gilbert Peterson secretary; John Hill, treasurer. The class sponsors are Miss Jessie Wahlen and Mrs. Idelle Benedetti.

The class speaker will be State Superintendent Wayne O. Reed. The program is as follows:

Professional, Janis Schmidtmann, Class of 1949.

Invocation, Dr. H. G. McClusky, First Presbyterian Church.

Salutatory, "A Trust to Keep" Mary Jo Rebal.

Vocal Selection "Trees" Martina Sporer.

Valuedictory, "We Have The Faith," Richard Wohlfarth.

Vocal Selection "In My Garden," Mary Todd.

Address, "Let's Join Hands," Mr. Wayne O. Reed, State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Vocal Selection "Dedication," Miller Hurst.

Presentation of Class Gift, John H. Johnson.

Presentation of Diplomas, Mr. ors, Superintendent T. I. Priest.

Vocal Selection, "Were My Song With Wings Provided," Jeannette Rhylander.

D. A. R. History Award, Mrs. F. R. Gobelmann.

Vocal Selection "April," Carol Bernhardt.

Presentation of Class of 1948, Principal Miles Eloe.

Presentation of Diplomas, Mr. Frank A. Clodt, president of the Board of Education.

Benediction, Rev. E. C. Williams, First Methodist Church.

Recessional, Janis Schmidtmann, Accompanist Mrs. Roy Cole.

Director of Music, David Fowler, Jr.

Senator Metzger Attends Conference

Senator and Mrs. W. A. Metzger of Cedar Creek were in the city Thursday for a few hours attending to some matters of business and calling on the many friends.

The returned home Wednesday night from a visit in the west part of the state where Senator Metzger was attending a meeting of representatives of several counties. The meeting was one to discuss the matter of the state law that made possible the revaluation of real estate and the matter of the handling of the old age assistance program.

Senator Metzger has had considerable experience in the handling of this legislation in the last session and was able to give a great deal of information to the members of the group.

Senator Metzger reports also that the conditions in the west part of the state is getting quite dry and causing some worry to the farmers and the ranchmen.

Soil Conservation Service Reports Busy Program

The Soil Conservation Service has had a very busy month as the report of Tom Stacey, work unit conservationalist shows as a part of the drive to care for the program of Cass county.

At the last meeting held at the offices at Weeping Water it was shown that applications for farm soil conservation work approved were as follows: Newton Sullivan, Plattsmouth; John A. King Ashland; Louis W. Ross and Billy Ross, Nehawka; E. Chriswiser, Murray; Fred E. Hansen, Nehawka; Howard J. Dunn, Greenwood; Mark E. Wiles, Weeping Water; Chester Stone, Nehawka. The supervisors also approved plans for the farm of John V. Stapp, Murray.

In the month of April 145.6 miles of terraces were laid out of these sixty-two miles were constructed.

One hundred and two acres of grassed waterways were staked; 1,000 of farm diversion staked; layout performed on seventy-six farms in county (farms visited and assistance requested and rendered on 97 farms by the Soil Conservation Service staff).

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Willis M. Everett, Jr., above

Atlanta lawyer and former Army officer, reads proceedings from German war crime trials. The lawyer, who defended 74 Germans during the trials, maintains the men received unfair trial. Army Secretary Kenneth C. Royall intervened and stayed the execution, pending a further investigation, of 17 of the Germans doomed to die.—NEA Telephoto.

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The committee had worked hard and deserve a great deal of credit for their excellent work as this is the only reward they will receive aside from the satisfaction of a job well accomplished.

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Dollar Day for May Proves Very Successful

Dollar day for the month of May, sponsored by the Plattsmouth Business Men's Ad club, proved a real success in every way, evidenced by the large group of shoppers and bargain seekers that filled the stores of the city from the early morning shopping hours until the closing of the stores Wednesday evening.

The fine array of electric appliances that were offered by the Ad club really drew the attention of the residents of the community over Cass county and our neighbors in Mills county, Ia., and the depositors of the tickets were kept busy until with in a few moments of the drawing. The electric washer, electric roaster and electric sweeper proved great drawing cards to the visitors.

The afternoon program was enhanced by the concert given by the Plattsmouth high school band at 4:30 in the main business section of the city, a large number was present to enjoy the offerings of Director David Fowler and the members of the band. It was a fine presentation of this excellent group of young musicians and showed their skill and training in the school music department.

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Softball Season Opens Locally Monday Night

The softball season of 1948 was off to a start Monday night at the Athletic park with two good games on the bill for the entertainment of the fans.

The league games will be played on Monday and Thursday nights, two games each night and postponed games will be played on Wednesday evenings.

In the opening game Monday at 7:30 p. m. the teams represented were Donat's and Timms', clashed in a good fast battle that resulted in the Donat team winning by the score of 9 to 4. For Donat's and Timms', clash, Harry Griffin was the battery while Bergen and Spidell did the pitching and catching chore for the Timm team.

In the second game of the evening Marty's and the Murray team was the attraction with the Murray group winning by the score of 21 to 11.

For the Murray team Bradley and Marion Wiles did the labor in the mound and back of the bat while Cliff Dasher and Grover Parriott were battery boys for Marty's.

The next games will be on Thursday night with the Cass Drugs and the Allis-Chalmers mixing things in the opener and the VFW and the Conoco team staging the nightcap.

In the opener of the 1948 City League Softball games, (Continued on Page Four)

To Trieste'



Maj.-Gen. William M. Hoge, above, has been named to take command of American troops in the Trieste area. Hoge, now commander of the Engineer School at Fort Belvoir, Va., will succeed Maj.-Gen. Bryant E. Moore in June.

"When the Bees Are In the Hive"

Residents in the north part of the city have been troubled in the last few days by the attentions of bees that seemingly have taken onto themselves the finding of a suitable place to swarm.

One of the large swarms has located on a large porch at one of the apartment houses as the place for their future dwelling as well as storage of honey. The bees have also invaded the house and making life far from pleasant for the residents who find bees buzzing around them at all hours of the day. So far no one has been able to get the bees out of their apartment.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Eleanor Haden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Haden, has returned home from a two weeks stay at the Children's hospital at Omaha. She is feeling much improved and will soon resume her usual activities.

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Family Lives in Sod House



Tired, after having moved eight times in five years, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ramsey, right, and their three children, Bonnie Jean, 4, far left; Joe, 6, and Junior, 10, are completing work on the sod house they are building on the outskirts of Coding, Kans. Ramsey, a 32-year old carpenter, is being helped on the job by his father-in-law, Martin Lovin, left foreground, 62, of Goodland, Kans. The Ramsey family is living in the 18 by 48-foot building, which is tiled with 14 by 18-inch sod cloids. The house is expected to cost between \$50 and \$150.—NEA Telephoto.