

## W. F. Nolte Makes Report on 1st District Conditions

County Commissioner W. F. Nolte of the first district has been making a personal study and investigation of the conditions that exist in the first district, these have been given the Journal for publication that the public may understand the facts as he finds them.

## To The Taxpayers Of The First Commissioner District

Having made an inspection of most of the roads, culverts and bridges in this district, I wish to make the following report which should be of public interest to every taxpayer.

I found that many culverts are closed or partially obstructed, forcing water to flow over the roads, causing heavy damage to grades and culverts. The narrow crossing, plus caveins and large holes make driving extremely hazardous at these locations.

The same is equally true with many of the bridges, where plain neglect and lack of repairs are in evidence.

The roads in general show conditions that are deplorable, due largely to lack of or improper maintenance and neglect. Practically all maintenance and road work has been at a standstill since November 3rd, yet the men were given a raise in salary for the months of November and December, when private contractors were leaving their men off.

The road machinery and equipment was in the same general condition as the roads and bridges, and would have been neither safe nor economical to use, as we found them on January 3rd. Sizable expenditures are needed here to put them in good serviceable condition.

Having examined the County Treasurer's report of January 7th, 1949, you will have discovered that practically all road funds in the First District were overdrawn, with outstanding registered warrants totalling \$8043.39 and some sizable claims have not yet been presented for payment. Out of the \$10,134.00 allotted to the First District from the Mail Route Road fund, only \$1493.00 or 15% was spent for rock and gravel; the balance went for salaries, supplies and equipment.

The County Bridge fund is \$2194.60 overdrawn.

Our inventories show 835 gallon lubricating oil, and more than 4900 pounds of grease costing more than \$1600.00 and was all purchased late in 1948.

All former employees are now off the payroll.

Considering the financial conditions and inability to make needed repairs while ground is frozen I urge for patience, co-operation and careful driving so we may all live to see improved conditions ahead.

W. F. NOLTE,  
County Commissioner.

## Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6 Has Installation

Monday night Plattsmouth lodge No. 6 of the A. F. & A. M. held their installation of officers at the lodge rooms in the Masonic building and despite the very disagreeable weather there was a large attendance of the members out to take part in the ceremonies.

The installing officer was Raymond C. Cook, grand custodian of the A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska, who was assisted by W. F. Evers as the ceremonial marshal and Lester W. Meisinger as the chaplain.

The officers installed were: Worshipful Master—Verner A. Meisinger.

Senior Warden—C. E. Ledgway.

Junior Warden—Royal Smith.

Treasurer—Frank A. Cloutier.

Secretary—Leslie W. Niel.

Chaplain—Charles M. Mende.

Senior Deacon—Warren Rhylander.

Junior Deacon—Marion Reed.

Senior Steward—Leslie Hutchison.

Junior Steward—Maynard Ramge.

Tyler—John E. Schutz.

STILL AT HOSPITAL

Set Glenn White, who has for some time been at the Walter Reed hospital at Washington, D. C., is still there under care and treatment for a leg injury that he suffered while in school. The leg is still somewhat stiff and difficult to use and the treatments will be continued until the member is restored to its former usefulness.

## Louisville Man Suffers Injury

Hobart Allen, colored handy man at the Charles Robeck home at Louisville for a number of years, was badly injured in an accident Saturday. He was working for the Ace Construction Co., on a Missouri river project near Omaha, at the time and while dismantling some machinery, it fell, crushing his right hand. It was necessary to amputate the hand.

## Damage Suits Filed as Result of Car Crash

Damage suits were filed Wednesday in the office of the clerk of this district court seeking to recover for damage and injuries caused in the collision of a car driven by Otmar F. Lechner and that of Frances E. Kline.

One case was that of Dorothy C. Lechner vs. Frances E. Kline. Her petition alleges that on January 22, 1949, the plaintiff was driving south on highway No. 75 about 4 p. m., at the same time it is alleged the defendant was also driving on the highway and at the time of the accident it is alleged the car of the defendant was being operated on the wrong side of the highway.

The plaintiff states in her petition that as the result of the accident the plaintiff had three teeth knocked loose and all of the teeth injured, left knee injured, the left side of the plaintiff's head struck and injured with bruises and contusions of the body sustained. As the result of the accident the plaintiff asks judgment in the sum of \$5,000.

The second suit is that of Otmar F. Lechner vs. Frances E. Kline. The same allegations as to the circumstances of the wreck are set forth in the petition as in the first suit. As the result of the collision the plaintiff asks damages in the sum of \$650.

Lloyd Peterson, of Nebraska City, is the attorney for the plaintiff.

## Tax Foreclosure Suits Will Start Soon in County

County Attorney Walter H. Smith has advised the Journal that he is preparing to file suits to foreclose all delinquent taxes on properties that have been certified by the office of the county treasurer.

This is done under the policy of the board of county commissioners to clear up the delinquent tax property and get them back on the tax rolls.

After suit is commenced, it will be necessary to pay the court costs in addition to the taxes, if there are any properties that are to be redeemed, redemption should be made at once to avoid the additional expense of court costs.

There are a number of properties over the county on which the taxes have been allowed to become delinquent and on the stated time these are certified by the county treasurer to the board of commissioners and are then subjected to court action.

## INSTALL NEW FLOORING

The main entrance to the Lugsch Cleaners in the reception room of the plant has been greatly improved in the last few days by the laying of fancy tile flooring. The new addition to the front of the building adds very much to the general appearance of the interior of the structure.

## Court House Briefs

In the office of the clerk of the district court Tuesday, a suit for divorce was filed entitled Evelyn Hunnicutt vs. Robert Hunnicutt. The petition of the plaintiff sets out that the parties were married September 6, 1946, at Hiawatha, Kan., and that there is one minor child of the marriage. The plaintiff is asking a decree of divorce, custody of the minor child and adequate support money.

County Commissioner Parr Young, of Nehawka, was at the court house Tuesday and reports that the travel on highway No. 75 very good, but other roads were not too good. As chairman of the board Mr. Young has the signing of the warrants for the various claims allowed by the board and this necessitated the trip.

In the divorce action of De-



FATHER AND SON . . . Lowell Thomas, Jr., just returned from an extended trip in Persia and is shown here reporting to his famous dad on a radio show. Lowell, Jr., plans to follow in his father's footsteps and is planning a lecture series based on his voyages.

## Drive for Members of the C. of C. Held Wednesday

The annual roundup of the business and professional men of the community, or anyone else interested in the future of the city, was staged Wednesday by the Chamber of Commerce as a part of their annual drive for membership in the organization.

The members of the group met for breakfast at the main dining room of the Rainey Coffee shop Wednesday at 7:40 with a fine attendance of the members of the committee ready to start on their job.

Edward M. Egenberger, chairman of the Membership committee of which Joe Knoflicek and Walter Tritsch are also members, presided over the breakfast.

The various teams were organized to canvass the business section of the city and at once started in on their job of soliciting memberships in the business section. Those making the canvass were:

Howard Hinz—Clifford Girardot.

Herb Freeberg—Edward Egenberger.

Walter Tritsch—Edward Forst.

John V. Svoboda—Harold Alkire.

Richard Black—Gene Lingford.

Joe Knoflicek—A. W. Huebner.

Orville Nielsen.

## Ashland to Play Here Friday Night

The Ashland basketball team will be here Friday to meet the Blue Devils on the local court in what should be a feature game, as Ashland is rated as one of the leading teams in this section of the state and will be a foe for Plattsmouth in the Blair tournament.

The Blair tournament that was to have been held this week has been postponed owing to the bad weather and road conditions and will be held on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, February 2, 3, and 4 at Blair.

The necessity of postponing the game has made changes in the playing schedules of the teams on their home floors. The Blair team will play here later in February in the regular schedule.

Due to the icy condition of the roads there was no school at Nehawka Monday or Tuesday.

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## Ford Tractor Owners Day Here on Monday

The Plattsmouth Motors are holding a special Ford Tractor Owners day at their plant on Washington avenue, on Monday afternoon at 2 p. m. and to which is invited all of the farmers of this section who are interested in the latest developments in the farm industry.

It has been arranged to give the owners of the tractors and other farm equipment an opportunity of learning of the newest developments in the line of farm machinery. There will be representatives present from the Dearborn plant to give a very interesting story in the latest developments in farm machinery and its uses on the farms of the nation. These personal talks and demonstrations will be well worth the time of anyone.

The Plattsmouth Motors will also serve refreshments as a part of the entertainment of the afternoon.

## Marion Taylor Now on Alaska Duty

Marion J. Taylor, seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion A. Taylor of 248 Main St., Plattsmouth, is are taking part in cold weather maneuvers off the coast of Alaska while serving aboard the attack cargo ship USS Skagit.

The operations will continue through January and February.

Taylor, who entered the Naval Service March 22, 1945, received his recent training at the Naval Training Center, San Diego, California.

Before entering the navy, he was graduated from Plattsmouth High school.

## Blue Devils Add Auburn to Their Winning String

The Plattsmouth Blue Devils forged forward Monday night to add the Auburn Bulldogs to their string of victories by a score of 52 to 34.

The same was all to the Blue Devils from the start, with the locals in the lead 19 to 10 at the close of the first quarter, but the successful attack by Thomas of Auburn won him a tie 25 to 25 at the half time, four long shots by the fast moving Bulldog bringing his team into a tie. Thomas went scoreless the rest of the game.

For the Plattsmouth Blue Devils, Merle Dasher was the high point man with 20 making ten points in both halves to sustain the local offensive. In the opening half of the game Bill McCormick added ten points for the Blue Devils in the opening half of the struggle.

In the third quarter Coach Stewart's boys really pulled out to bring the score to 41 28 in their favor at the opening of the final quarter with Dan Rohan, Dasher, Charles Janeeck and McCormick carrying on the scoring.

Reed scored the only field goal for Auburn in the third quarter of the game.

In the opening game the Plattsmouth Reserves won by the score of 22 to 16 against the Junior Bulldogs. Hodge and Myers of Auburn each had six points.

The box score of the game was as follows:

PLATTSMOUTH		fg	ft	pf	tp
Rohan	5	0	1	2	10
Hild	0	0	1	0	0
Aylor	0	0	0	0	0
Dasher	9	2	4	20	
Geschke	0	0	0	0	
Asbhaugh	0	0	0	0	
Janeeck	2	1	3	5	
White	0	1	1	0	1
Hodge	0	0	0	0	
McCormick	5	4	7	3	14
Doody	0	0	1	0	
Koubeck	0	0	0	0	
Ole	1	0	2	2	
Cole	0	0	2	3	
D. Kalasek	0	0	1	0	
Total	22	8	12	19	52

AUBURN		fg	ft	pf	tp
Jones	1	3	4	3	5
Clark	0	1	3	1	1
Reed	3	0	2	6	
Norris	0	0	2	0	
Steube	2	1	4	0	5
Clark	0	0	1	0	
Barker	1	1	3	0	3
Thomas	4	0	1	2	3
Stewart	2	2	3	1	0
Norvell	0	0	0	0	
Total	13	8	18	12	34

## Attend Meeting of G. O. P. at Omaha

The meeting of the Republican national committee at Omaha on Wednesday attracted national wide attention over the battle to secure a new alignment of the party leadership and the fight that was waged against National Chairman Hugh D. Scott, Jr.

The meeting was one that attracted many of the Nebraska leaders who journeyed to the scene to enjoy the speeches, the banquet and the general feeling of the national party leaders. Among those who attended from Cass county were Chairman Stephen M. Davis of the Cass county committee and Mrs. Davis, Miss Ruth Patton, treasurer of the Cass county committee, H. A. Schneider, Willard Clapp of Elmwood.

## New Feature is Added to Journal

The readers of the Journal will find on page 5 of this issue of the Journal a new feature that has been secured for the information of the readers during the session of the legislature. This is the State Capitol News.

This is very interesting and informative as it covers a digest of the legislative happenings as compiled by the Nebraska Press association and is made available to the newspapers of the state.

The column will contain all of the highlights of the state capitol and the legislative session. A check of this column each week will help the public keep check of what is transpiring in the legislative halls and in the operation of the state government.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pollard and son, Larry, and Larry's guest, Don McLean, were dinner guests Saturday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wunderlich.

## Snow and Sleet Visit Over This Part of County

The weather that has established an all time high for disagreeable conditions in this section for the month of January, took another crack at the ice bound and chilled residents Wednesday night and Thursday morning.

Wednesday had proven a very pleasant day both as to temperature and the fact that the ice on the streets had started to show signs of yielding to the sunshine, when the weatherman shook his bag of tricks and as the result there was a combination starting with rain that fell heavily for some time Wednesday night and then a combination of sleet and snow that continued through the rest of the night and into this morning.

The storm was not severe enough to stop travel, although it was slowed down to a great extent, those who were working Omaha were able to make their trips although caution was necessary in driving as the light snow and sleet concealed many very icy spots on the highways.

The residents of the city who were engaged at the BREX shops were able to get through without difficulty, although those walking to work had to take precaution owing to the uncertainty of the footing especially in the darkness that prevailed in the early morning hours.

The storm that swept over this area at the week end has slowed travel to this city from out in the country, very few have been able to brave the uncertain road conditions to get into this city. The business at the court house has largely been by mail this week owing to the bad road conditions on all of the highways with the exception of No. 75 that has been kept very well cleaned except small areas.

## March of Dimes Ball Monday January 31

The Junior Woman's club of this city has arranged for the holding of the annual March of Dimes ball, the culmination of the campaign that is staged each year to raise funds for the warfare on infantile paralysis.

The event is held on the anniversary of the birthday of the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt, himself a victim of the malady, who was able to overcome the illness and devoted many years to the warfare on the dread disease.

This year the ball will be held at the Eagles hall and the music for the event will be furnished by Pick and His Tophatters, one of the popular dance orchestras of this part of Nebraska.

The funds that are raised by the dance will be devoted to the good cause and those who attend are assured of not only having a good time but as well of aiding a most worthy cause.

## Leo Boynton to Veterans Hospital

Monday Leo Boynton, local veteran of World War I, was taken to Lincoln where he was placed in the U. S. Veterans hospital for treatment. He has been suffering from an infection in one of his legs that was followed by other complications and made necessary his hospitalization. He was taken up in the Sattler ambulance and was accompanied by Leonard Brothers, commander of the local Legion post.

## Change Made in Business Firm of This City

The announcement is made of a change in one of the local business houses, that of the Knorr 5c to 51 Variety store.

William Knorr, who since his return home from the armed service has been at the store, is now a member of the firm and associate of his father, R. W. Knorr, in the conduct of the firm as a full partner in the business house.

The Knorr store was established thirty-four years ago by R. W. Knorr when he opened a store in the south part of the building now occupied by Phil's cafe, on 6th street. Later Mr. Knorr moved the store to the Golding building where it remained until 1929 when it was moved to the Masonic building where it has been located for the past twenty years.

While Bill was attending the local school, he was assisting in the store, during extra time, until he enlisted in the navy in the World War II that occupied his time for some two years. He has shown a great interest in the store and will now be the active manager of this well known commercial institution.

## Louis Naeve Suffers a Severe Accident

Monday evening while Louis Naeve was returning to his place of business on North 6th street, he fell on the walk near the Lorenz Brothers store, and as a result had his right shoulder bruised and injured. An examination failed to disclose any fracture, but the shoulder is very stiff and sore and the arm is out of commission for a few days at least.

The accident makes it very unpleasant for Mr. Naeve, as Mrs. Naeve had been called to Blair by the death of an aunt and making it necessary for the husband to look after the house until the return of the wife.

## Many Residents Aid in Rozell Relief Party

The great success of the games party given to raise funds for the benefit of Lovay Rozell, ill at the hospital, was due to the fine cooperation of the residents of the community in providing prizes for the event as well as those who participated in the games. Those who gave prizes and cash for the event were:

Wescott's store, Joe's New-Way, Knorr's Variety, Ladies Toggery, Wagon Hardware, Marty's Tavern, Schreiner's Drug, Darlene Spangler, Soennichsen's, Black and White, Taste Shop, Clarence Corner and Son, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schneider, Plattsmouth State Bank, Dr. and Mrs. P. T. Heineman, Leslie Niel, Dr. A. E. Johnson, Roy Holly, H. L. Gaines, Eugene Vroman, Tom Walling, Louis Baumgart, Ray Becker, Elwood Snodgrass, Clark Finney, Mrs. W. H. Woolcott, Fred Herbster, Alpha Mauzy, Mr. and Mrs. Lowell McQuinn, Plattsmouth Motor Parts Co., Joe Mayer store, Sattler funeral home, Richey Lumber, Bates Book Store, Plattsmouth Journal, George Busch, Hinky-Dinky, Chriswisher's, Wee Wardrobe, Lugsch Cleaners, Swatek's Hardware, Solomon's Market, George Conis, Welshimer's Firestone, Hardison's service station, Downtown Motors, Charles Walcott's service station, Wilson Bakery, Gamble store, Cass Drug, Sudduth jewelry, Woster Shoe store, Schmidtman's, Sibal's Variety, Matney furniture, Donnan's Tavern, George Thun barber shop, Nite and Day cafe, King Korn Karmel shop, Rosy's Barber shop, Bryant's garage, Florence Rhoades, Modern Laundry, Plattsmouth Creamery, A Friend, Roger's lockers, Clويد Service station, Plattsmouth Cleaners, Stylecraft Mfg. Co., Nu-Way lunch, Ruse Appliance Store, Naeve's liquor store, Cass theatre, Bright Spot, Rainey Coffee shop, Hofmocker Flower shop, Colvin-Heyn, Griffin Taxi, Army Store and Style Shop, Walt's Market, Phil's Market, Biles Paint Store, Bollmeier Recreation parlor, Feldhausen Drug, Clyde's Tavern, Tim's Tavern, Ralph O. Timm, Dan Reichstadt, Caldwell Funeral home, Bowman's barber shop, Hiatt furniture, Parly furniture, Art's barber shop, Phil's cafe, Fricke drug, Grove's jewelry, Siemer's grocery, Kent's oil station, Floyd Gerberlin, Plattsmouth Motors.

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PINBALL PUP . . . Bingo, the pride and joy of Tucson, Ariz., has been playing pinball machines since he was a mere puppy. He leaps to the top of the machine when play starts and paws and scrambles as long as a ball is in motion.

## Rotary Club Has Letter From Club in New Zealand

The members of the local Rotary club had a very interesting meeting Tuesday on the occasion of the weekly luncheon and a good attendance of the membership present.

President J. Howard Davis presided, as usual the music of the session was led by Orville Nielsen with E. H. Wescott as the accompanist.

President Davis read the attendance record of the district of which Plattsmouth is one of the member clubs, the report showing that Plattsmouth is in the seventh place in the club standings.

One of the interesting features of the meeting was the reading of a letter received from a Rotary club located in New Zealand, in which the writer asked for the address of members of the club that they might be reached in a friendly correspondence with their fellow members from "down under."

The letter from the New Zealand member told of the many pleasant meetings with the American forces visiting their country in the war days and the fact that impressed him, countrymen so much, was that the American boys were real home lovers. The letter was from Conn Worth, of the international relations section of the club.

Clair Shellenbarger was the chairman of the program in place of Art Troop and presented a film, "Miracle in Paradise Valley," a picture that covered farm accidents in the United States and was most interesting throughout.

Manfred Moritz, high school member for the month of January, gave his impressions of Rotary that was much enjoyed by the members.

The club took up a collection for the March of Dimes and the sum of \$11.35 was collected for the worthy cause.

Robert Hinz was a guest of the club for the day.

## SUFFERS FROM FALL

Wednesday evening Mrs. Jerry Kenfrst suffered injury when she was thrown from a station wagon that she was driving. The accident occurred on Maiden Lane as she was returning home and ran into a very icy road with the result that the wagon was turned around and Mrs. Kenfrst thrown out onto the roadway.

The victim of the accident suffered back and head injuries and was later taken to the Doctors hospital in the Sattler ambulance to have the injuries looked after. She was reported as doing as well as possible under the circumstances.

## GENERAL WEDS

Major General Franklin Keating and his bride, the former Margaret Dunn, radio and opera singer, are pictured together after their marriage at Holy Trinity church in New York city. He is the former deputy military governor of Germany, and is now commanding general of the first service command, Boston.