

Flood Control and Soil Saving Moves Planned

Two Plattsmouth men have just recently purchased acreage in this city that is to be devoted to a practical try out of soil conservation and as a means of flood control.

Dr. W. V. Ryan, local dentist and L. A. Caldwell, mortician, purchased the thirty-three acre tract belonging to the Jack Keil estate in the northwest section of the city near highway No. 75. This was sold at public auction and was bid in for \$6,300.

The new owners are planning on improving the houses and other buildings on the land, but greatest of these moves they are planning on is making this a striking example of what can be secured in the way of soil conservation, that will also serve to check the sudden flash floods that sweep down on this city in the summer season.

The acreage lays in an area that each year in heavy storms, sends a great flow of water rushing through the grounds onto the east and south and eventually finds its way through the business section of Plattsmouth.

It is proposed by the new owners that the land be terraced in accordance with the plans and procedure of the soil conservation district, that tends to make for soil saving and eventually building up barriers that will tend to save the waste of the land and eliminate the washing that each year sweeps millions in the soil down the rivers and creeks of this section down the Missouri and the Mississippi rivers to the Gulf of Mexico.

In the flood control this conservation should be very helpful as the great walls of water that sweep down from the north from the basis of the greater part of the flood water. The program will not only help in this particular piece of land but also will be carried out in other sections surrounding the city and in certain parts of the town. It is hoped to get the program underway as soon as possible.

Schafer & Sons Score High at Angus Sale

Otto Schafer and son, James, of Nehawka were at Broken Bow, the past week, where they attended the Heart of America Angus Sale and their animals entered in the sale scored among the best in the market.

The Schafers had the reserve champion bull at the show, Trojan Bomber 102, a fall yearling by Boy K Bomber. This animal was sold for \$1,225 to the Dawley Cattle Co., of Whitman, Nebraska.

Cass county men had one of their bulls rank next to the reserve champion that brought \$2,260 in the sale, even a larger figure than the reserve champion. Mr. Schafer states that there were 40 head of the Angus cattle that brought an average of \$614.

Lyle Schafer, a member of the firm was unable to attend the sale.

The Cass county men report that the weather conditions at Broken Bow were very bad, as the result travel was difficult and on the way back they had quite a time in the snow and slush that blanketed the roads and made getting around a matter of difficulty.

Soldier Boys Home for Easter

Friday evening Sgt. Ray Tinchler, who is attending the officers training school at Fort Riley, Kansas, arrived home to spend the Easter vacation here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tinchler and the many old school friends and associates.

Sgt. John Kimball and Sgt. Bill Brookhouser, both stationed at Goodfellow air field, San Angelo, Texas, were here over Sunday at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Kimball and Mr. and Mrs. John Brookhouser. The young men are in the weather observing section of the air corps and have been stationed for several months at the Texas post.

Ethel Ossenkop of Lincoln was here Sunday as a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Baumgart.

Funeral of Frederick W. Geis

The funeral services for Frederick William Geis, old resident of the community, was held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Caldwell funeral home at 7th and Avenue B, with a large number of the old friends of many years standing and former associates of Mr. Geis and family paying their last tributes to the departed.

Dr. H. G. McClusky, pastor of the First Presbyterian church brought the message of comfort from the scriptures to the bereaved family and friends.

During the services Frank A. Clouid gave two of the old hymns, favorites of the departed, "Saved by Grace" and "In the Sweet Bye and Bye" with E. H. Wescott serving as the accompanist.

The burial was at the Oak Hill cemetery with old family friends and neighbors serving as the casket bearers: William L. Heinrich, George Tartsch, Emil J. Weyrich, W. P. Sitzman, Louis Friedrich and Frank Koubek.

Guests at Wolever Home for Easter

For the Easter holiday the home of Mrs. Sophia Wolever was made very pleasant by a number of guests that arrived to spend the week end.

Tom Mulane and Terry Cullen of Fort Dodge, Iowa, spent their Easter vacation with their old school friend, Lindy Wolever, home from Tarkio college, at Tarkio, Missouri.

Mrs. Gordon Redfern of Kansas City, Missouri, arrived at the week end for a visit with Mrs. Sophia Wolever.

Ted Hadraba to Post in Turkey

Plattsmouth friends of Theodore J. Hadraba, former local resident, will be interested in learning that he has been transferred from the state department where he has been for the past few years, to Ankara, capital city of the Turkish republic. He will act as an economic councillor to the United States embassy.

Mr. Hadraba is a son of J. F. Hadraba of this city and the late Mrs. Hadraba, and is a brother of Mrs. Donald Cotner of this city. He was educated in the Plattsmouth high school, where he was an honor graduate in the class of 1923. Later he attended Northwestern university at Evanston, Illinois, where he was graduated with high honors and later was a member of the faculty of the university for several years until he entered the service of the government and was assigned to the state department.

Mr. Hadraba was in the diplomatic service during the years of World War II being stationed at Prague, Czechoslovakia, until the German invasion, when he was sent to Berne, Switzerland, center of all international communications in war times, remaining there until the close of the war when he was transferred to Antwerp, Belgium, serving there until ordered back to Washington where he has since been stationed.

Dr. Amato to Attend Optometry Meeting

Dr. Louis A. Amato, Plattsmouth optometrist, has become an active member of the American Optometric Foundation to help support research in visual care and advancement of the visual health of the nation.

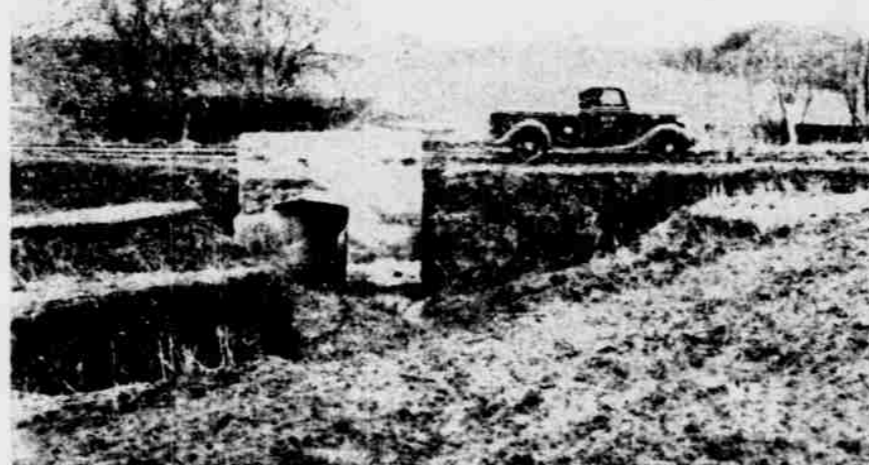
Dr. Amato is a charter member of the organization as well as an active member, and will leave soon for Sioux Falls, S. D., where he will be the Nebraska representative at the Missouri Valley conference that will include a large number of optometrists from several of the western states.

Called South by Sister's Illness

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Holmes departed Friday morning by auto for the south, being called there by the serious illness of Mrs. Louis Garrity, a sister of Mr. Holmes. Mrs. Garrity has been ill since November, and her condition is reported as being very serious.

Attorney Guy L. Clements of Elmwood, was in the city Friday to look after some matters at the county court. Mr. Clements is rejoicing over the fact that he has a grandson, a fine son being born to Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Clements.

Conservation in Cass County



These pictures show the great steps that the soil conservation program is making for land saving and general better farming conditions over Cass county. Left to right is the structure at the Water. The right is a picture of an old style road structure which is to be replaced by a drop inlet culvert, thereby controlling several gullies in a cultivated field above the road.



Easter Day One Well Observed by Worshipers

Easter day of 1949 brought with it sunny skies for the first time in many weeks, but a very stiff and chilling north wind served to make the Easter parade a matter of difficulty for the ladies and their spring outfits.

The churches of the city were filled to their fullest capacity from the start of the young people's sunrise service to the morning worship hours. It was one most largely observed in all of the churches as worshipers gathered to observe the resurrection day.

The members of Mt. Zion commandery No. 5 of the Knights Templar observed the day by attendance in full uniform at the First Methodist church.

The day was observed following the worship services at the churches by many very delightful dinner parties at the homes over the city and many from out of the city were here for the day visiting with their relatives and friends.

The pleasant weather also brought out the motorists to enjoy trips over this section and the opportunity of being around after the months of the severe winter weather.

Softball Soon to Take Stage in This City

The board of directors and those interested in the softball season of 1949 held their meeting on Thursday evening at the Nierste paint store with a very pleasing attendance of the members of the teams and their managers.

The city league as stands, has seven teams signed up, it is hoped to have the eighth team lined up this week and ready for the start of the season. It is planned, weather permitting to have the season opening on Monday, May 2nd, but this date is still tentative and depending on the conditions.

The teams that have signed up and their managers are: Murray, Marion Wilcox; V. F. W., Phil Hirz; Firestone, James Bridgewater; Timm's, Fay Spidell; Marty's, Bernard Ulrich; Ford, Harold Alkire; Allis-Chalmers, Bob Willis.

Mayfields III at Louisville

The old friends over Cass county will regret to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Lee J. Mayfield, of Louisville, prominent residents of that community, have been quite ill at their home. Mrs. Mayfield has been suffering from a respiratory infection while Mr. Mayfield has had a severe sore throat. They are reported as showing improvement at this time.

New Readers for Journal Enrolled

In the past few days several new readers have been added to the list of the Journal subscribers for the ensuing year. Among these were: Mrs. Gladys Iske, Boise, Idaho; William Graham, Louisville; Lloyd M. Taplett, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Harvey Gregg, Murray; Mary Tigner, Papillon; Clyde Melsinger, Plattsmouth; James E. Gruber, Encino, California; Fred M. Reznor, Murray.

Bernard Dow, student at the University of Nebraska college of Engineering, enjoyed the Easter vacation by a visit here at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Dow.

Jack Pallett Family Rejoice in New Son

The announcement has been received here by Mrs. H. L. Gamber and Miss Jessie M. Robertson of the fact of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Pallett, of San Francisco, on Monday, April 4th.

The mother is the former Rachel Robertson of this city, youngest daughter of the late Judge W. A. Robertson and Mrs. Robertson, and a niece of Mrs. Gamber and Miss Robertson.

Mrs. W. A. Robertson, now house mother at the Delta Delta Delta sorority house at Lincoln, spent the Easter season at Sioux Falls, South Dakota with her nephew, Enos Jones and family.

Cemetery Group Elects Officers

The Eight Mile Grove cemetery association that has charge of the pioneer cemetery southwest of Mynard, recently held their annual election of officers and the following were named: Guy Kiser, president, Lester Dill, vice-president and Searl S. Davis, secretary. There are also three directors who with the officers form the governing body. The directors are W. P. Kraeger, Mrs. Mae Sporer and Mrs. Ethel Spangler.

This cemetery is one of the historic spots of the county and here are at rest many of the pioneer settlers and their descendants sleeping in the quiet hush of the countryside haven of rest.

Forty Hours Devotion at Holy Rosary

The annual forty-hour devotion will begin in the Holy Rosary Church Tuesday morning with the eight o'clock mass. Evening devotions will be conducted at 7:30 Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings. A visiting priest will conduct the evening devotion. About fourteen priests of the Plattsmouth Diocese will be present for the solemn closing of this devotion Thursday evening.

Judge Peck Has Week End Marriage Service

Attorney Richard Peck, who is acting county judge during the illness of County Judge J. A. Capwell, had a pleasant part of the duties of the office at the week end.

On Friday he was called upon to read the marriage lines for Fred E. Hug and Helen R. Neene, both of Omaha, the wedding service being witnessed by Major I. Hall and Miss Thelma Kruger, clerk of the court.

A Saturday wedding at the court house was that of Gunnar T. Swanson and Anna Knight, both of Omaha. The marriage was celebrated by Judge Peck and witnessed by Esther and F. J. Barton, of Omaha, friends of the bridal couple.

REPORTS WIFE ABOUT SAME

R. G. Kiser of west of Mynard, was in the city Saturday to look after some matters of business and while here was a caller at the Journal to renew his subscription. Mr. Kiser reports that Mrs. Kiser, who has been quite ill for the past year, is still about the same.

GUESTS AT ALLEN HOME

Guests in the city for Easter at the home of Mrs. M. B. Allen and Glenn were the Earl Embury family of Doniphan, Nebraska. Mr. and Mrs. Wayne H. Allen of Omaha and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Stevens of Auburn.

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Certificates of Merit Given

The Central Electric and Gas Co., that supplies this territory with natural gas, held a meeting of the employees at the office of the company on Friday, April 14th. The meeting was for the purpose of presenting to the members of the force, certificates of merit for safety awards.

The local staff has a very fine record for their force for the non-accident showing that has covered several years.

The awards were presented by District Manager Walter T. Gleason to the following, and the years of their non-accident record: William Richter, four years; William Brittain, two years; John Schutz, four years; Walter T. Gleason, four years.

This is a splendid showing for the men that have so diligently served the residents of the community in their various capacities, and represents a service of every day activity.

Knights of Columbus Hold Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter egg hunt sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Easter Sunday afternoon, was attended by seventy-five children from St. John's and Holy Rosary parishes of this city.

John V. Svoboda and Ramon Koubek were in charge of transportation. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Krings sponsored "the hunt." Prizes to the best hunters were awarded to Marilyn Rea and Larry Rea and Francis La Rosie were tied for second prize in the Junior division.

John Bergman received first prize in the Senior division and Margaret Ann Svoboda and Sally Fulton were tied for second place.

Much enthusiasm was shown by the kiddies and the parents who watched "the hunt" from the sidelines.

Purchases New Home in City

One of the real estate transactions of the past few days was that by which Mr. and Mrs. Glen Sowin became the owners of the residence property of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Becker at Third street and Second avenue.

Mr. Sowin is the mail carrier of rural route No. 2 out of this city.

Baseball Meeting at the Legion Club

The friends of a baseball team in this city are to hold a meeting on Thursday evening, April 21, at 8 o'clock at the Legion club, south of this city. The meeting will discuss the sponsorship of a baseball team here by the American Legion. Plan to attend the meeting if possible.

Court House Briefs

Petition was filed in the county court Saturday asking for the probate of the estate of John P. Keil, deceased, and for the appointment of Lulu Keil, mother as administratrix. Smith & Lebens appear as the attorneys in the case.

Marriage license was issued in the county court Saturday to Norman Doyle Powell and Darlene May Davis, both of Waterloo, Nebraska. The parties are to be married this week.

Final hearing was held Friday in the county court before Judge Richard Peck, in the estate of Helen Davis. Guy L. Clements appeared as the attorney in the case.

First hearing was had in the probate of the estate of Mont Shrader, deceased and appointment of Dorothy Shrader, widow,

Frank Bel Visit 40

Frank Bel, State Historical Society, visited Plattsmouth Thursday at their club rooms with a fair attendance of the membership.

The vulture received the announcement that Frank Behrens, of Cozad, grand chief de gare of Nebraska, will visit here at the next meeting on Thursday, May 12th, an official visit to the organization, the first since taking over office.

The local vulture also has been given recognition in the naming of Dr. P. T. Heineman, past chief de gare, as a member of the budget committee of the state organization. Another member of the committee is Dr. L. G. Taylor, of Kearney, former resident of Plattsmouth and active in Legion affairs.

The Cass county vulture at the meeting Thursday voted \$10 to be applied on the Boy Scout activities for the ensuing year, as support of child and youth movements is one of the chief aims of the 40 & 8 national organization.

Cass Countians to Plant Trees

An increased number of trees will be planted this spring in Cass county. In addition to trees purchased through other channels, 13,300 trees secured through the Clarke-McNary program will be used in farm wind break plantings.

Orders have ranged from 100 to 1,300 per farm. With moisture conditions favorable this spring, 1949 should be a good year to start tree planting.

Death of Mrs. Bertha Klaurens at Nehawka

The death of Mrs. Bertha Klaurens, 76, lifelong resident of the Nehawka community, occurred at the family home in Nehawka at 2:15 Thursday afternoon after an illness that has covered the past three years.

The funeral services were held this Monday afternoon at the United Brethren church at Nehawka and largely attended by the old friends. Rev. Thomas Moore conducted the services. The interment was at the Mt. Pleasant cemetery with Elmer Hinrichs, Boyd Mayfield, Vance and Kent Balfour, Raymond and Ted Gruber serving as the pallbearers.

Mrs. Klaurens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gruber, pioneer residents of the Nehawka community, was born April 17, 1873 on a farm near Nehawka.

She spent her girlhood in that community where she was married to Nicholas Klaurens on November 30, 1898 and they have made their home in the Murray and Nehawka communities since that time. She was a regular attendant at the United Brethren church.

Survivors are the husband and two children, Mrs. Lena Frans of Nehawka and Roy Klaurens of Minneapolis, two grandchildren, Robert Frans, Marv. Kathleen and Margaret Ann Klaurens and three great grandsons.

The Hobson funeral home had charge of the services.

Death of Old Cass County Man

Word has been received at South Bend of the death in California of Alfonso Sturzenegger, a native of South Bend and a resident there until some twenty years ago when he moved west to the Pacific coast and has since resided there.

The family came to South Bend at an early day and the deceased was born there and for many years was engaged in the operation of the general store in the village that he later sold to F. J. Knecht, the present owner and operator. Mr. Sturzenegger has made his home at Los Angeles since locating in the west.

HERE FROM PICKSTOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Woster and children, Stephen and Karen Jean, drove down from Pickstown, South Dakota, Saturday morning to spend Easter with Mr. and Mrs. Tim Woster and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Jahrig, parents of the H. T. Wosters, and other relatives and friends. They departed for their home at Pickstown this Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Blackledge of this city spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Blackledge's mother, Mrs. Alma Shipley, at Nodaway, Iowa.

CAA Includes Plattsmouth in Air Plans

The Civil Aeronautics Administration at Washington in announcing locations for 166 additional air fields in Nebraska, included Plattsmouth in the list of communities where airports should be constructed or improvements made in the existing facilities to meet possible increasing demands.

However, the estimated cost of the construction and development for Nebraska outlined in the plan would be \$19,316,000 of which \$9,329,000 would be in federal funds and \$9,987,000 in funds provided by the sponsor.

On the basis of appropriations to be made by congress, CAA will program for the coming fiscal year the most important locations in the plan.

The plan for Nebraska lists 105 new airports for which local sources would expend an estimated \$9,121,000. Improvement to 61 of the state's existing airports would cost the same sources an estimated total of \$10,195,000.

The 105 new airports would include two seaplane bases, located on the reservoirs behind the Harlan county and Kingsley dams.

In addition to the recommendation for a field at Plattsmouth, the other towns in this section, Ashland, Weeping Water and Syracuse as well as Nebraska City are included.

Creighton Students Here for Vacation

Plattsmouth students at Creighton university at Omaha who were here for the Easter vacation were returning today to their studies as the university opens Tuesday for the remainder of the school year.

Those who were here were Bernard Ulrich, Albin Chovanek, Edward Strickland, Joe Case, Deen Case, Warren Kneer and Marilyn Kneer.

Death Comes to Ed Boedeker Friday Morning

The residents of the east and central portions of Cass county were profoundly shocked Friday morning by the news of the death of Ed Boedeker, 60, well known resident of Weeping Water, death coming after an illness of only a few hours.

Mr. and Mrs. Boedeker had started to their farm shortly after noon on Thursday. Mrs. Boedeker expecting to attend a meeting of the L. C. P. V. club that was to be held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. John Jochim.

At the intersection leading to their farm, their car was stuck in the mud. Mr. Boedeker had gotten into a car of Joe Dietl to go after a tractor to pull them out of the mud. He had taken his place in the car and almost instantly slumped over in his seat and became unconscious. The ill man was hurried to the office of Dr. Kunkle at Weeping Water, by neighbors who had been bringing their wives to the club meeting, all possible being done for his relief.

Mr. Boedeker failed to respond to treatment and was taken onto the Lincoln General hospital where he lived until 6 o'clock Friday morning.

He is survived by the widow and a daughter, Mrs. John Jochim, who were both at his side when he died, and a brother, Dewey Boedeker, of Nehawka.

Talcott Busy on New Residences

D. W. Talcott, well known contractor, has been very busy the past week on the finishing touches on the new homes that he has been erecting on South 9th street. The homes are among the best in the city and make ideal living places, as they are strictly modern, located on paved streets and not too far from the business centers of the community. Mr. Talcott has found a very brisk demand for the homes that make a fine addition to the South Park section of the city.

Mrs. Anna Kaffenberger was a caller at the Journal Thursday to renew the subscription of Ralph Hill of Omaha. The Hill family, former residents here have enjoyed the Journal very much.