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EDITORIALS

PLATTSMOUTH CAN DO IT

For many years a greater share of the citizens of Plattsmouth have been clamoring for a more adequate street marker system. It cannot be denied that anything resembling a system would be far superior to what we have at present.

It will not be long until residents of the city will be given the opportunity to prove they are sincere in their demands. An idea hatched at a Chamber of Commerce meeting many months ago is gradually taking form. At last Monday night's city council meeting, the gentlemen steering your destiny gave the movement impetus by furnishing the cash for the initial order covering a number of intersection markers to be placed in the downtown area and on Wintersteen Hill. The latter, of course, was to reassure those on "The Hill", who have long been under the impression that they are the forgotten people, in which we concur.

There will be nothing "under cover" in the attempt to secure an adequate street marking system for the city. It is a most expensive undertaking, costing into the thousands of dollars, but worth every dollar of it. Under present plans house numbers will be sold to residents of the city through youth organizations. These will be sold at a BIG profit. But, remember, this profit will be used to purchase the street intersection markers at \$4.40 a pair.

Complete details of the plan will be announced at an early date. Until then, many members of the Chamber have their fingers crossed, but not this newspaper. Plattsmouth citizens have proven themselves capable on numerous occasions to go out and get what they want. The Journal believes sincerely that Plattsmouth residents desire their streets and homes properly identified and will support the campaign to the last man and woman.

We'll bet a freshly laundered shirt and a hand off the old town clock that Plattsmouth will have a street marking system they can be proud of by Fall.

KILL THE SALES TAX

For the first time in Nebraska's history a sales tax measure has reached the floor of the Legislature. This bill will come up for debate in the very near future with strong pressure group backing.

This writer has never been a supporter of a sales tax, having had experience with this matter in Kansas and several other states. In most instances it has proved nothing but another tax, more dollars to be divided among departments to spend and spend and spend.

We think, up to now, the present Legislature has done a magnificent job in sifting the grain from the chaff. We admire the grit of a number of our legislative members, including Wm. Metzger, for their untiring efforts in scrutinizing the budgets and expenditures of every state agency. We believe most department heads will examine more closely for what and where the tax dollars are going during the coming year.

If it was possible for Nebraska to have a "Homestead Law" patterned after the state of Iowa, a Sales Tax would have some justification. But to use a sales tax for a blanket reduction in real estate taxes would be a rank injustice to the workingman or woman.

If their is any justice in reducing the real estate tax on a rental property that is bringing the owner anywhere from \$600 to \$1,500 a year in rents and is on the tax rolls at \$80 to \$163, we fail to see it.

To reduce the tax load on the owner-occupied dwelling, yes, we can go along on the basis that it would encourage home ownership. We think our legislative body should study this law very carefully before we get our fingers burned.

AS ADVERTISED

An oil man in Texas, needing funds to drill a well, advertised for 1,000 investors with \$100 each. He guaranteed unconditionally that they would get their original investment back in ten years and if the well "came in" they would, of course, share in the profits. Within a short period

Furse's Fresh Flashes

Frank Smith tells us that one of the greatest labor saving devices of today is tomorrow.

A pedestrian is a man who can be reached easily by automobile.

It takes a baby approximately two years to learn to talk—and between 60 and 75 years to learn to keep his mouth shut.

A lady came in the office the other day to tell us her aunt had fallen downstairs. She said the aunt was not seriously hurt but it bruised her somewhat and hurt her otherwise.

When a local man asked the maid at his house the other day if she knew anything of the whereabouts of his wife, she told him she thought they were in the wash.

A fellow we knew several years ago always said he wanted to die with his boots on. His wish was granted the other day. His girl's husband came home.

An airman stationed at the base, when informed that he was to go on an overseas training mission, locked his wife in the house and gave the key to his best friend, saying, "If I don't return from this flight, unlock the house. To you, I entrust it." Two hours after he had taken off, he got this radio message, "You gave me the wrong key."

of time the oil man received the \$100,000 through the mails. Postal authorities watched the transaction with dubious eyes and quietly began to investigate.

They found no basis for complaint. Upon receipt of the money the oil man sent each of the investors a \$100 Savings Bond which would mature in ten years. Having spent \$75,000 for the Bonds he had \$25,000 in cash with which to operate. At the last report, the well is being drilled.

This only brings to mind that thousands of Americans search endlessly each year for buried or sunken treasure—searching for the pot of gold at rainbow's end.

When will we ever learn that the greatest treasure to be found is not buried beneath the earth or deep in the sea—treasures lie in human minds. One creative thought may often be more valuable than all of Captain Kidd's doubloons.

Henry Ford, for instance, conceived the idea of an automobile for the common man. It made him the richest man in the world. Which should teach us to dig for treasure in our own mind. Bring from its mystic depths ideas which will serve, build, beautify, inspire—there lies the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

TWENTY YEARS AGO

The Ofe Oil station was visited by burglars... Miss Marie E. Kaufmann, local secretary of the Woodman Circle, was elected state chairman of the board of managers at Omaha meeting... Mr. E. A. Wurl qualifies for member of the "hole in one" club of local golfers... C. A. Spacht, one time instructor in the Plattsmouth high school was elected to head junior college at Bellevue... Y. M. B. C. of the Methodist church observed 23rd birthday and organization of the class with party at the church... Cole and Rogers circus was scheduled for April 24th at tourist park grounds, with a parade at one o'clock.

TEN YEARS AGO

Country home of the Ralph Wiles family was destroyed by fire of unknown origin... Miss Vera Johnson departed for a visit with relatives on the west coast... William Knoflicek was winner of marble tournament, conducted yearly between St. Johns and Holy Rosary church boys, sponsored by Dr. Frank Molak... J. R. Smetana, former resident, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alois Smetana, who was director of Memorial Park cemetery at Sedalia, Mo., patented an automatic casket placer.

The WASHINGTON MERRY-GO-ROUND

(Copyright, 1949, By the Bell Syndicate, Inc.) DREW PEARSON SAYS:

DEMOCRATS PLAN ON SPECIAL SESSION OF CONGRESS THIS SUMMER; TRUMAN STANDS BY FEDERAL CONTROL OF TIDELANDS OIL; SEN. TAFT URGES "NEW DEAL" FOR REPUBLICANS.

WASHINGTON.—A tip-off that the Democrats are definitely planning a special session of Congress this summer was let out of the bag the other day by Senate Majority Leader Scott Lucas. He tipped his hand in a recent private conversation with Sen. James Eastland, Mississippi Dixiecrat.

Eastland stopped Lucas in the Senate cloakroom and with a shrug toward the Senate floor, remarked:

"What are the Republicans doing, trying a slow filibuster to wreck the President's program?"

"Yeah," snorted Lucas, looking both ways to make sure no Republicans were within earshot. "But they're just cutting

Sheltered by Eagle Wings



HERO'S FAMILY—More than 100,000,000 commemorative stamps issued by the Memorial Foundation of the Fraternal Order of Eagles are now being enthusiastically bought by the Order's members throughout the United States and its possessions—to guard the welfare of such families as this, the group which served as models for the symbolic stamp (inset), Henry Gosselin, of the Fourth Marine Division, died on Saipan in 1944, but his widow and children, Henry, Jr., and Lorraine Ann, of Butte, Montana, are secure in the knowledge that the youngsters' future health and education are assured by the memorial fund of the F. O. E. Already at the \$3,000,000 mark, it will grow greater by the stamp sale among over 1,000,000 members, to guarantee continuing aid to more than 1,250 sons and daughters of Eagles who died in World War II.

their own throats. We're going to get the President's program through.

"We're going to let them go on like they are until we adjourn," he continued. "Then we'll call a special session this summer and come back and pass the President's program. After that, we'll go to the people and tell them the reason we had to call a special session was because the Republicans caused a sidown strike in the United States Senate.

"There isn't a man on the Republican side who has any idea of politics," Lucas added. "As long as they have men like Wherry (minority leader Kenneth Wherry of Nebraska), they're not going to get anywhere."

TIDELANDS OIL

Salt Lake City's dignified, white-haired postmaster, I. A. Smoot, called on President Truman the other day to plead for a strong hand in crushing the oil lobby. The lobby is now pushing another bill through Congress to restore the rich Tidelands oil to the states.

There was no hedging in Truman's reply. "As long as I am President," he declared, "I will never permit the submerged oil lands to go back to the states."

TAFT AND NEW DEAL

Probably more than anyone else, Sen. Robert Taft of Ohio is the personification of the Republican party. Therefore, when he called for a broader social program in an off-the-cuff speech the other day, it had the effect of shifting the G. O. P. cornerstone a few points to the left.

Taft's statement was delivered behind closed doors and was meant only for the ears of Republican senators. Part of what he said has already leaked to the press, but for the first time here is the full story of what happened.

The stage was set for Taft's remarks by his Ohio colleague, Sen. John Bricker, who called for a tightening of the economic belt and a return to the standards of Republican thrift.

Bricker's preaching was chiefly aimed against public housing, and in favor of his neat strategy to kill public housing by tacking an anti-segregation amendment on the bill. This would drag civil rights into the housing fight and split the Democratic party right down the Mason-Dixon line. Bricker suggested limiting debate on the anti-segregation amendment by two-thirds closure and, for political reasons, divorcing the arguments from the public-housing issue.

TAFT GETS TENSE

After more of this kind of talk from Mundt of South Dakota and Malone of Nevada, Taft jumped to his feet and tensely took the arch-conservatives to task. It was time, he declared, to draw the line between the Democratic and Republican parties. The difference, he said, was not in ideals but in methods.

"The Republicans stand for improved standards of living," he cracked. "But we believe in welfare without regimentation." He contended that federal aid for housing, health and education "do not depart from the basic principles" of the Constitution. Republicans are already supporting welfare programs in the cities—including slum clearance, free medical service and free education, he pointed out. Federal aid was just an extension of this program, he said.

"Of course Republicans must support the free-enterprise system," Taft warned. "But we had better take care of those in the lowest income brackets or we

pointment as the second governor of Nebraska from a long list of applicants. The new governor's oath was administered in Washington, and after a long and arduous trip he arrived in Nebraska, February 29, 1955, to take over the reins of territorial government from Secretary Thomas B. Cuming, who had served as acting governor since the death of Governor Burt.

Governor Iazard encountered serious opposition from the very beginning. In the first place, he was looked upon as a "carpet-bagger" by many disappointed applicants for his job—including Cuming—who had lived in the territory all of a few months. In the second place, he was accused of forming an alliance with Omaha interests to the detriment of the rest of the territory.

This charge was leveled against virtually every territorial executive (Acting Governor Cuming, you will recall, had been bitterly assailed on the same grounds) but Governor Iazard gave substance to the charge by his failure to travel about the territory as much as his constituents thought he should and by his veto of a bill removing the capital from Omaha.

Governor Iazard's capacity for the job of chief executive frequently was called into question by his contemporaries, and the territorial press often referred to him contemptuously as "Governor Lizard." Weary of this sort of criticism, he resigned in 1857 and returned to Arkansas, where he died in August, 1858.

Although never achieving the brilliance exhibited by men like Cuming, Richardson and Morton, it is evident from the record that Governor Iazard made a conscientious effort to effect an efficient administration of the territory's affairs.

His chance for a permanent place on the map of Nebraska was removed when the county originally named after him was named Stanton in honor of Lincoln's Secretary of War.

CAPITOL NEWS

(Compiled by Neb. Press Ass'n.)

Lincoln, Neb. — Nebraskans will have a first and second choice of presidential and vice-presidential candidates in the state's presidential election, under a measure enacted by the legislature.

Sen. John P. McKnight, Auburn, sponsored the bill he said will perfect the state's presidential preferential election, already nationally recognized as a valuable testing ground of mid-western, grass-roots sentiment on candidates for the nominations.

The act also will preclude "favorite sons" from back-room deals for their own political advantage, McKnight said. He pointed out a politician might file as candidate for the presidential nomination even though he had no chance of being given it at the national convention, and then trade Nebraska's votes for political consideration.

Also enacted was Sen. Ed Hoyt's (McCook) bill setting a minimum age for children entering school. The child must be six by Oct. 15, or pass special tests to demonstrate their capabilities.

Senator W. Halsey Bohlke, Hastings, has a resolution before the legislature calling for appointment of a little-American activities committee. The resolution would appropriate \$25,000 to finance a nine-member committee of senators.

Bohlke fears subversive organizations are infiltrating into schools, colleges and universities, and he wants to stop the activity at that level.

The committee would have broad powers. It would be authorized to meet anywhere, any time, to subpoena witnesses, and require them to submit all books, records and reports called for.

Some senators have labeled the proposal "a dangerous witch-hunt."

Schoolmen have lost their hopes for legislative action to provide state aid for schools. In a single day, legislative committee killed bills appropriating \$12,000,000 a year for public schools, and prescribing the formula for distributing the money.

The all-important budget bill may be ready for introduction April 18, according to Budget Committee Chairman John Callan, Odell. And he says it is the best appropriation bill ever prepared for the legislature.

Callan long has urged careful budgeting in all departments, with the legislature well informed as to all money spent. In the past, many government departments submitted such itemization only for tax money spent. Revenue collected through special fees and other cash accounts was spent according to the judgment of the department chief.

The 1949 budget bill, Callan

Dale Carnegie Author of "HOW TO WIN FRIENDS and INFLUENCE PEOPLE"

A HALF CENTURY ago a magazine publisher got excited over the lack of enthusiasm of the employees he contacted. Most of them were dull, apathetic, did their work in a routine way. He knew that this was a common trait of workers, for he had checked on them for 20 years.

He had learned, during these years, that those who had no enthusiasm stayed in the same groove, made little or no progress, remained pretty much at the same salary level, and changed jobs frequently.

He was so fired with indignation over this trait of the average man that he dashed off an article about it, dashed it off on the spur of the moment, at white heat. It struck home to thousands and thousands of readers, employers and employees alike.

Readers of his little magazine in which the article appeared sent for extra copies, dozens of them. Charles H. Daniels, general passenger agent of the New York Central railroad at the time, ordered thousands of copies for the employees of the railroad. Twenty years later, the publicity department, recalling the good that article had done, repeated that act.

From Russia came a big order, a copy for every soldier engaged in the war with Japan. Within a few years forty million copies had been printed. This article is called "A Message to Garcia." If you haven't read it, do so at once. No doubt your public library has it.

Now, check your associates. You will find that the man who has enthusiasm is forging ahead. He may not be vociferous, he may be a very quiet type of man; it isn't necessary for enthusiasm to make a noise. But if he hasn't enthusiasm, he will fall into a rut.

Next, check yourself. Do you want to remain all your life just where you are now? It's up to you! Just do good work, do what is expected of you, and you'll probably hold your job as long as you want it. But develop enthusiasm, do more than is expected of you, and the chances are that given time you will increase your income, your influence and power.

There's really so little enthusiasm extant that it gets a lot of appreciation. Now be careful, I don't mean noisy talk. I mean true enthusiasm, a real and true liking for your work.

said, will impose strict check-reins.

The unicameral said "no" to requests for salary raises for state officials. A motion to override the miscellaneous appropriations committee's decision to kill 21 salary increase bills drew only a 15-to-26 vote.

Friends of the proposal for higher pay argued that book-keepers and farm hands often draw more money than officials charged with the responsibility of administering state government. They urged other senators to provide pay commensurate with the duties of each office, and to eliminate all personalities in considering the matter.

Sen. William Hern, Chadron, led the opponents. He argued commodity prices have dropped recently, and he reminded the lawmakers that voters in cities and towns across the state rejected virtually every bond issue proposed in the recent elections. That, he said, should be a warning that the taxpayers would take a dim view of a move

to increase taxes for higher salaries.

Hern said he would go along with any move to enlarge pay checks of minor workers who draw in the neighborhood of \$120 a month.

"I don't see how they manage," he said. "But men getting \$3,000 to \$5,000 a year are going to get along all right."

State Treasurer Edward Gillette reported counties received \$518,916 in gasoline tax distributions last month, compared to \$304,505 in February. Of the total \$1,199,612 March revenue, \$518,917 went to the state highway department, \$311,350 to counties for regular road construction, \$207,966 to the counties for graveling rural and star mail routes under the Schroeder Road Act, \$143,429 was refunded farmers for tax paid on gas used for agricultural purposes, and \$18,649 to dealers for refunds.

It is estimated that 25,000 Navy personnel are in travel status at all times.

Successful Parenthood

BY MRS. CATHERINE CONRAD EDWARDS Associate Editor, Parents' Magazine

FOOD is one of the most important factors in giving children a good start in life. The food a mother eats before her child is born, the food she feeds him as a baby and the food habits she fosters in the growing child determine how well and strong he is as a youngster and also affect his mental and emotional development.

Here is the diet requirement for a year-old child:

Milk: 4 cups each day, either as a beverage or in cooked food. Fruit: 1/2 cup of orange or tomato juice and one other fruit, such as 1 to 2 tablespoons of strained prunes, applesauce or scraped ripe banana.

Cereal: 1/2 to 3/4 cup of whole grain or enriched cereal each day, with 1 to 2 slices of enriched bread.

Eggs: 1 a day, if possible, at least 5 a week.

Meat: 1 serving of lean meat, liver or fish once or twice a week.

Vegetables: 2 servings, totaling 3 to 4 tablespoons of cooked, strained vegetables—green leafy or yellow—each day, in addition to potatoes.

It may at first look difficult to buy food that will furnish these needs of growing children, but actually it is simpler than to buy for the fussy family appetites which develop if children do not require good eating habits. It is a whole lot easier, too, to cook vegetables or serve them raw, to broil meat and fix simple desserts than to spend hours frying things in deep fat and baking innumerable pastries as used to be expected of a "good provider."