



## Hillcrest is Receiving its Needed Paving

The newest residential section of the city, Hillcrest, where many very attractive homes have been erected in the past year, is being given the completing touches to make it one of the attractive spots of the town. Located as it is in the southwest part of the city with a fine view of the east and north sections of the city.

The National Construction company of Omaha, that has the contract for the paving of the section, started in Monday on the work of giving the residents an all weather roadway. Forms were laid for the curbs last week and the laying of the concrete was underway Monday when Stan Lacey had his force of workmen on the job. The paving proceeded in a rapid way on Monday and Tuesday and by Wednesday the south and west sections of the horseshoe pavement was in place and work later started on the sections of the pavement farther east and to the north. With the curb and paving installed it will soon be possible for the residents to get busy on landscaping their grounds, planting trees and shrubs and by fall the section will be far more attractive as the grounds are improved and more of the homes are occupied.

With the completion of the paving in that section of the city it is expected that the paving program in the business section of the city can be undertaken.

The paving on Avenue A and First Avenue down town will eliminate much of the trouble and delay to traffic that has had to be fought all of the winter season by the traveling public and those living in that area, that have a part of the time at least, been almost isolated from getting in and out.

This will give Plattsmouth a fine start on the 1949 paving improvement program. If the realization of the repaving of Chicago Ave. is realized it certainly will be a red letter year for the city. The Chicago avenue and the down town paving districts are largely replacing paving but that of Hillcrest is a new addition to the paved streets of the community.

## Eastern Star Observes Its Charter Day

Tuesday evening the members of Home Chapter No. 139 of the Order of the Eastern Star held their regular business meeting and in connection had the observance of their Charter Day. Home chapter has been in existence for the past forty-four years and in that period has played a large part in the development of the community and aided in the expanding work of Masonry.

Worthy Matron Erma Sullivan presided and introduced the various speakers on the interesting and informal program.

Mrs. Dorothy Bernhardt, of this city, supervisor of district No. 5 of the grand chapter of Nebraska, gave a very interesting story of the work of the Eastern Star in the past years in both the nation and Nebraska, of their great program that has been carried out in the state and including the Eastern Star Children's Home.

Mrs. Robert Mann, past worthy matron, gave a short history of Home chapter from the date of its foundation to the present time and the many worth while projects that they have aided in giving to the community.

Mrs. Sullivan, the present worthy matron, told of the high lights of the Star history in Plattsmouth since its foundation that was very interesting.

During the meeting Mrs. Margaret Carr sang "In the Garden of Tomorrow."

The chapter had the pleasure of having with them two of the charter members, Mrs. Edna Petersen Schutz and Mrs. Carrie Becker Cloldt. Other of the charter members were unable to attend.

### GOES TO IOWA

County Commissioner W. F. Nolte was in Omaha Wednesday where he was called to take Mrs. Nolte and their granddaughter, Kathy, to that city to entrain for Schaller, Iowa, where Kathy will rejoin her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oren Pollard and meet her new little sister.

## Street Force Cleans Washington Avenue

Chairman Richard Peck of the streets, alleys and bridge committee, had the city street force out Wednesday working on cleaning up Washington avenue, removing mud and debris that had accumulated in the long months of the severe winter season. The work did a wonderful lot of good in getting the street cleared out.

The chief reason beyond that of beautifying the street was getting it clear of mud and particles that in case of high water might be swept down into the main business section and possibly plug up the sewer inlets and cause property damage.

It was a good job and appreciated by the residents of that part of the city.

## Leslie W. Niel Takes Over as Postmaster

Leslie W. Niel, veteran employe at the Plattsmouth postoffice, on Wednesday, formally took over the administration of the office to which he was appointed several weeks ago by President Harry S. Truman. Inspector Bradley made the check of the office early this week and turned the office over to Mr. Niel.

The new postmaster who has so long served in the postoffice, is well versed in the work of the office and the change made but little difference in the regular day's routine for either the new head or the employes.

Mr. Niel entered to local postoffice as clerk in 1921 and has served continuously since that time and has in the past year been in charge of the receiving and dispatching of the mail.

The change will probably mean the shifting of clerks to take over the work that was formerly handled by Mr. Niel.

Since the resignation of Milo W. Price four years ago to resume his teaching career, the office has been in charge of Edward M. Egenberger as acting postmaster. Mr. Egenberger gave an excellent administration of the office and has proved a very efficient and courteous official in his handling of the service to the public.

### ATTENDING OMAHA 'U'

Darrell Nolte of this city is a student at the University of Omaha where he is taking a special course in air conditioning and refrigeration. He enjoys the work very much and finds it most interesting.

## Bierls Do Own Terracing



There's been a lot of dirt moving on the Joe Bierl acres west of Plattsmouth during the past few weeks and not by the wind. Joe Bierl and his son, Frank, who farm the north 260 acres, were in the process of finishing up a terracing job when this reporter arrived.

## Torch Lighting Ceremony for Plattsmouth Cub Scouts



Members of the Cub Scouts of Plattsmouth joining in the torch lighting ceremony to strengthen the arm of liberty held at the local Central building this week. This crusade was begun during Boy Scout week on Bedloe's Island in New York harbor. The local ceremony was in charge of Orville Nielsen, retiring Cub master. The new Cub master, Otto Weber, stepped forward with the Pack torch that received its light from the Council torch. The Den Chiefs then advanced and lit their torches from the Pack torch. The Den Chiefs then returned to their den and each Cub in turn lit their torch from the Den torch. —Photo by Chriswer.

## Knights Templar Pay Honor to Past Commander

Wednesday evening Mt. Zion commandery No. 5 of the Knights Templar, tendered a very lovely appointed banquet honoring Past Commander Edward Wehrlein and the ladies of the Sir Knights.

The banquet was at 6:30 with the repast prepared and served by the members of Home Chapter of the Eastern Star.

Dr. H. G. McClusky, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, long one of the active members of the commandery, offered the invocation and benediction.

Sir Robert J. Howard Davis presided as the toastmaster of the banquet in his usual pleasing manner.

Miss Shirley Humerickhouse, one of the talented young vocalists of the city gave a very lovely number as a part of the program and was accompanied by Mrs. Howard Davis at the piano.

The members of the banquet party were welcomed by Eminent Sir Robert M. Mann, commander of Mt. Zion commandery, while the response for the ladies was given by Lady Irma. (Continued on Page Four)

## Elmwood Boy Has Serious Accident

A serious accident occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Bornemeier, when their four year old son, Joel, fell from the farm tractor, on which he was riding with his father, on last Thursday afternoon. The manure spreader which was being drawn by the tractor, went part way over the boy before the motor could be stopped. His head was badly hurt, and he was immediately rushed to the hospital at Lincoln. He was unconscious for some days, while he was skillfully treated with the new drugs.

On Sunday morning he was better so the treatments could be lessened. He was able to eat and to enjoy seeing a few visitors, and to be pleased with a toy tractor that was given to him that day. The whole community is glad to hear of the happy outcome of this grave event.

## Miles Altman, Former Resident, Found Dead

The body of Miles Altman, 54 of Ralston, former resident of Plattsmouth, was found this morning at an early hour in his car parked near "Deadman's Curve" on highway No. 75 north of Plattsmouth.

Mr. Altman came to this city Wednesday to do some truffle hunting and was apparently on his way home when taken ill and parked the car along the roadside, many report seeing the car that was apparently empty, parked but it was supposed that the car owner was out hunting truffles, popular sport at this time. The death is thought to have been from a sudden heart attack.

The body was taken to the Sattler funeral home where Sheriff Tom Solomon, acting coroner, made examination and decided that an inquest would not be necessary. Mr. Altman had quite a sum of money on his person at the time of death.

Late this (Thursday) morning the body was taken to the Brewer Korisko chapel in Omaha where the funeral arrangements will be made.

Miles Altman was born in Chicago February 29, 1903 and for a great many years the family resided in Plattsmouth where the father, Joseph Altman, was engaged at the upholstery shop of the Burlington, later the family moving to Omaha where they have since resided. Five years ago Mr. Altman was married to Margaret Christianson and the family resided at 8055 State street, Ralston. He has been operator of a filling station in Ralston. Surviving are wife and parents.

## Junior Woman's Club

The banquet of the Junior Woman's club will be held on Monday evening at 6:30 at the First Methodist church. Make reservations as soon as possible, see Vera Lewis.

Mrs. Max Gentry of Gering, Nebraska, was the speaker in the Methodist church Sunday morning. Mrs. Gentry is president of the Methodist Conference of the Womans Society of Christian Service.

## City Council Talks Chicago Avenue Paving

Tuesday evening the city council and Mayor Rogers gathered at the city hall to discuss the matter of creating paving district No. 99 that comprised Chicago avenue from First avenue to what is known as Holdrege street.

The members discussed many of the points that will enter into the repaving of the avenue, among these the advisability of placing six inches of concrete on top of the brick paving at the north end of the avenue and eight inch concrete at the south, also the proposition of removing the brick all along the line and having it replaced with the concrete.

The ordinance that was under consideration provided for the regular method of payment, that of assessment on abutting property to care for the local share of the cost. The state has agreed to pay the expense of a twelve foot strip along the avenue.

After the consideration of the various phases of the case, it was decided to lay the ordinance over until Monday, May 9th at the regular meeting, to have the city attorney prepare an ordinance that would provide for a general obligation for the city with a small amount against the property for the consideration of the council.

## Sells Sarpy Acreage Tuesday

Rex Young, the auctioneer, was a visitor in Papillion Tuesday evening where he held the sale of two and a half acres of land, occupied by the Papillion sale barn. The acreage was purchased by Frank Dolzal, well known resident of that locality, for \$5,600.

Mr. Young has had a great deal of success in his auction sale of real estate and has been able to move land or residences that had been on the market at private sale for months and securing for the owner a good price.

### GOES TO HOSPITAL

Mrs. Ralph Wever, who has been in poor health for some time, was taken to the St. Catherine's hospital at Omaha Monday for observation and treatment.

A Classified Ad in the Journal costs as little as 35c.

## At The Cass County Court House

Tuesday Sheriff Tom Solomon was host to Bill Mansur and his "Modern Problems" class of the Nehawka schools. The class came up in the school bus and made a tour of the court house and especially the sheriff's office where there were many things to interest the youngsters, in the equipment of the office. The class also was taken on a visit of the jail and to see where prisoners were confined and also methods of subduing the unruly with gas and other devices.

## Mother's Day Court of Honor Here Sunday

Sunday, May 8th will be one of the outstanding events in the year of Scouting in Plattsmouth, as it will be the occasion of the Mother's Day court of honor, at which time a large number of the Scouts will receive their advancements.

The date is most appropriate to the event, as the success of the fine group of boys is so largely a part of the inspiration they may have received in the home, that has been more fully developed in the practices of the Boy Scouts of America.

The court of honor will be held at the First Presbyterian church at 8 o'clock Sunday evening.

The program will be opened by the assembly call by Willard Christianson.

The presentation of the colors will be made by Dick Gopen and Ronald Schneider, color guards.

Fledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America will be led by Dick Gopen.

Special music will be by members of the music department of the Plattsmouth high school under the direction of David Fowler, director.

The awards will be second class, first class merit badges, Star Scout awards. The badges of rank are presented to the mothers who pin them on their own son. The miniature pin is presented to the Scout who will pin it on his mother.

The tribute to the Mothers of the Scouts and those of the nation will be given.

"What Scouting Has Done for My Boy" will be given by Mrs. T. I. Friest, whose son was awarded the Eagle Scout honor at the last court of honor.

All those interested in Scouting or friends of the boys who are to receive the awards are invited to attend this ceremony.

## School Board Organizes for Coming Year

Monday evening the Plattsmouth Board of Education of district No. 1, met at the school house for the purpose of organizing for the ensuing year. The board received Clair Shellenbarger as a new member and A. W. Huebner who was re-elected.

The board then proceeded to organize by the election of the following officers: President, Frank A. Cloldt. Vice President, Dr. O. C. Hudson. Secretary, John Schreiner.

The board will later name various committees that will look after the business affairs of the year in conducting the operation of the schools.

A number of the teachers in the system are leaving at the close of the school year and their successors will be announced.

## It's a Long Way Up!



Marlon Hanika, with the Plattsmouth Sheet Metal Co., wears a big grin hidden behind that pump cylinder he descended some 90-feet down in old Mother Earth to recover at the Henry Nolting farm four miles east of Plattsmouth on the Cedar Creek road a few days ago. "Stu" Goehenour and M. F. Keiderling, owner of the company, shown on the end of the rope that lowered Hanika into the dug well 30-inches in diameter, talked to him continually on the descent "just in case", they said. To Hanika it's all in a day's work, for us, we'll take vanilla.—Journal Staff Photo.

## Condor Flying Club Starts Airport Here

In the past two years the Civilian Air Patrol has been active in this community and established a very much interested and active group of the C.A.P., that has been under the leadership of Burrell Evans, commander of the local squadron, and John Straka, who has served as communications officer.

The interest in the air force development and the nearness of this city to Offutt Field, headquarters of the SAF, has resulted in the establishment of a small airport near this city.

This air port is a private venture and will be known as the Condor Flying Club. Master Sergeant Al Drozynski, flight chief for the Air reserve training unit located at Offutt Field, is the owner and operator. M. Sgt. Drozynski has nearly 500 hours of actual flying time at the controls of various ships, both military and civilian. He has been in the air force of the United States more than 13 years and is well qualified to have charge of this project.

The "Condor Flying Club" is located on the Robert Hoffman farm, two miles west of Plattsmouth on the Cedar Creek road. Mr. Hoffman is a civilian pilot and has his own plane, a Taylorcraft. M. Sgt. Drozynski has a new all-metal Luscomb, which he recently flew from Texas. These two planes are at the field at this time and work is being rushed on the hangar for them.

Initial work has been done for the installing equipment for refueling and caring for the planes and this has been aided by Chest Welschmer of this city.

The local squadron of the Civilian Air Patrol are taking an active part in promoting the construction of a field and airport through actual manual labor. In this way they will earn "points" that will be redeemed in flights by the two airplane owners. These flights are C.A.P. sponsored and are credited to the training time of the cadets. Each cadet must have a written permit from one of their parents before making a flight.

At this time there are twelve civilian pilots in this part of Cass county and an attempt will be made to associate these pilots with the C.A.P. The establishment of this pilot squadron will open the way for a loan of a C.A.P. plane to be stationed at the field either permanently or temporarily.

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## Richard Black Chairman of King Korn

The general committee for the King Korn Carnival of 1949 has selected as the chairman for the year, Richard W. Black, manager of the local Hinky-Dinky store and one of the active workers of the Chamber of Commerce and the Plattsmouth Ad Club.

The directors have been looking for a man to head the committee for the activities of the year and certainly have made a most happy selection in Mr. Black.

Since his return from the armed service Mr. Black has been a very active figure in the community and identified with all of the activities that have arisen in the community.

## Ralph Surface Given Discharge

Air Private Ralph Surface, 34, husband of Mable Surface, 312 Wash. Avenue, Plattsmouth, has been honorably discharged at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, where he has been on duty as an aircraft mechanic.

Private Surface was engaged in farming in this community prior to enlisting in the Air Force.

## Knights of Columbus Meeting on Tuesday

The Knights of Columbus will open their meeting next Thursday night with Benediction in Holy Rosary church. A short business meeting will follow.

A lecture by Mr. Frank McGrath of Omaha will be featured at nine o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

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