

# Three Cass Highway Improvements Planned

## Bridge Losses Placed At \$150,000 in First Commissioner District

While loss of personal property and individual damages were at a minimum during the light flooding in Cass county early this week, damage to county property will run into several thousand dollars.

That was learned today from Wm. F. Nolte, county commissioner from the 1st district, who with Frank Dall, county surveyor, made a rapid survey of property damage following the high water here Monday and Tuesday.

Similar inspections were made in the second and third districts, with similar results.

## Light Flooding In Nehawka-Union Area Is Reported

Plattsmouth took another early lead in precipitation here this week as more than three inches was recorded. Similar amounts were reported in the Union vicinity.

Slight flooding was reported in the Nehawka-Union area, where the Missouri Pacific tracks were under water early Tuesday. No heavy flooding was reported in Cass county.

The high water came a week earlier than it did a year ago when heavy flood damage was caused in the Weeping Water area and along the Nemaha.

Some farm lands were under water Tuesday, while the heavy flooding was reported farther south in the Auburn and Falls City areas.

After rising rapidly Monday and early Tuesday, waters started receding late Tuesday as the spring rains came to an abrupt halt.

## Heavy Rains And Flooding Increase Clean Up Efforts

"Clean Up Week" took on a new meaning here late Monday and again early Tuesday morning, following one of spring's friendly visits.

The overall result produced nothing more than additional clean up measures.

Run-off waters raged through the Main street valley on two occasions during the 12 hour period, scattering debris along its course. Much of the debris was probably what residents of the city had piled up awaiting pick-up by the city street department.

The burden still belongs to the street department, but the debris is not as accessible. And to make matters still worse, neither is the city dump.

Efforts by the street department to clean the streets following the late Monday flooding, were washed away several hours later, when a second flooding again scattered waste materials throughout the city.

Meanwhile clean-up measures are expected to continue beyond the one week period generally scheduled throughout the city. Much of it will be duplication of effort.

Weather and roads permitting, the street department trucks will follow last week's pick up plans. The trucks will operate south of Main street Tuesday and in the northern half of the city Wednesday. Cooperation with the public works employees is asked.

## Independents Win Machinery Fight

Independent farm machinery dealers in Nebraska won their fight with the state legislature over two controversial farm implement bills. The bills were defeated in the legislature judiciary committee.

The independent dealers opposed the two bills which sponsored said would help stop sale of farm implements below list price. The fight against the two bills was led by Maynard Tritesch, Plattsmouth independent dealer.

## Pfc. Wm. Kellison In California

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kellison of this city received a phone call Monday evening from their son, Pfc. William T. Kellison, who is now stationed at Hamilton Air Force Base, Calif. He has been assigned to the 78th air police squadron.

William told his parents that he expects to be home on furlough sometime in June.

## Legion Auxiliary Will Distribute Poppies Saturday

Saturday is Poppy Day in Plattsmouth. "Pin a poppy in your lapel and you light the candle of memory for one who has died in war—that America might have a better chance to live in peace." American Legion auxiliary members declare as they get ready to distribute the poppies made by disabled veterans.

The idea of the poppy as a memorial flower for World War had been inspired by the blooming wild poppies "between the crosses row on row" in battle cemeteries of World War I. The idea spread throughout the English-speaking world. Poppies worn in the United States are crepe paper replicas of these wild European flowers.

Doctors in veterans hospitals consider poppy-making a valuable form of occupational therapy. Their wages, paid by the American Legion Auxiliary, will approximate one-half million dollars this year.

The distribution of poppies on Poppy Day is conducted entirely by volunteer workers without compensation. Distribution of poppies in 1950 was more than 22 million.

Funds derived from the poppy sale constitute the largest source of revenue for rehabilitation and child welfare work of the Legion and auxiliary. Money dropped into the contribution boxes on poppy day enables Legion posts and auxiliary units to carry out a constructive program of aid to disabled and dependent families of veterans.

Display your poppy Saturday, May 5.

## Final Rites For Mrs. Todd Will Be Held Friday

Funeral services for Mrs. Pauline Todd, who died Saturday at St. Paul, Minn., will be held Friday morning at ten o'clock at Holy Rosary church with Father Edward Tuckek officiating.

Rosary will be recited Thursday evening at eight o'clock at Sattler Funeral Home.

A lifelong resident of the Plattsmouth and Murray communities, Mrs. Todd died suddenly April 28. She was 40 years old.

A native of Plattsmouth, Mrs. Todd was born June 30, 1910. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gradoville. She was married June 3, 1930 to L. B. Todd.

Surviving are her mother, Mrs. Charles Gradoville; four children, Jack, Betty, Lauren and Robert; four sisters, Mrs. T. E. Kahoutek of Plattsmouth, Mrs. Agnes Ptacek of Plattsmouth, Mrs. Catherine Westphal of Minneapolis, Minn., and Mrs. Ross Bourne of San Diego, Calif., and four brothers, Thomas Gradoville of Burlington, Ia., Dr. Charles M. Gradoville of Omaha, Edward H. of Plattsmouth and Frank of Washington, D. C.

One child preceded her in death. Mr. Todd recently underwent surgery at Mayo Clinic.

Visiting hours will be held at the funeral home from three to five and from seven to eight Thursday afternoon and evening.

## Attend Funeral Of Mrs. Switzer

Mrs. E. C. Giles, accompanied by Mrs. Blaine Snider and Mrs. Dwight Talcott were among those who attended the funeral of Mrs. Leo Switzer Saturday afternoon in Nehawka.

## Court House Briefs

Frank William Hall, 30, of Fort Crook, and Dolores Mae Hall, 25, of Bellevue, were married in county court Tuesday, May 1, by Judge Raymond J. Case. Witnesses were Delby W. Frank of Offutt Air Force Base and Eva M. Hudson of Bellevue.

Dugan Gregg of Nehawka was fined \$20 and costs in county court Tuesday on charges of reckless driving. Gregg entered a plea of guilty to the charge, filed on information provided by patrolman LeRoy Jensen.

A fine of \$20 and court costs were assessed against James B. Dietl of Murray in county court Tuesday when he entered a plea of guilty to charges of reckless driving. Charges were filed on information provided by Patrolman LeRoy Jensen.

Charles Simmons was fined \$10 and court costs in county court Tuesday after pleading guilty to charges of operating a vehicle without a license. Complaint was filed by Patrolman LeRoy Jensen.

Hearing of the Guy C. White estate was held in county court Thursday morning. Walter H. Smith was appointed administrator. Smith and Lebens are the attorneys.

Notice of probate was filed in the estate of Lela Minford in county court Thursday. Petition asks appointment of Searl S. Davis as executor. Begley and Peck are the attorneys.

Petition was filed in county court Thursday in the estate of Fannie Frisbee of Elmwood, asking that Dwight Clements be nominated administrator. Clements and Clements are the attorneys.

## Metzger To Study Highway Setups

Senator C. E. Metzger, who this week provided the Journal with information regarding highway improvements in Cass county, also plans to find out more about highway administration in other states.

Tuesday he succeeded in having a vote on the state highway commission bill delayed so that he could study highway commissions at work in Iowa and Missouri.

The bill would create a five-member part-time commission to run the state department of roads and irrigation.

## Songs Of Nebr. Birds Are Played At Rotary Meet

Dr. and Mrs. P. T. Heineman have recorded songs of about 70 Nebraska birds, members of the Plattsmouth Rotary club were told Tuesday noon.

Speaking to the Rotarians, Mrs. Heineman told the group that they had recorded the bird's songs in the back yard of the Heineman home. One of the leading bird studies in this vicinity, Mrs. Heineman explained that Nebraska is one of the three leading states for bird species. More than 400 species are known to inhabit the state.

In addition, she played several recordings of bird songs, and answered questions about birds. John Frady was program chairman.

The group also learned that Rev. R. Brown will be speaker on next week's program.

Other highlights of the meeting included introduction of high school junior Rotarians for the month of May. Representing the senior class was Darrell Williamson. Marion Tritesch was the junior class representative. They were introduced by Chas. Walden.

Walt Gregorius, accountant for Consumers Public Power at Columbus, was a guest of F. I. Rea.

T. I. Fiest presided at the Tuesday meeting.

## Mrs. Dasher Is Winner Of Gas Range Tuesday

A standing room audience, estimated at 100 more than the actual seating capacity, jammed Cass theater Tuesday afternoon for the Gas Company's second annual cooking school. Actual attendance was placed at more than 550.

The school was conducted by Miss M. Thelma Bly, Gas Company home service director. She was assisted by Miss Francis Paulsen, Rosemary Brady, Miss Fleming and Mrs. Lora Piepgrass. The school featured complete meal cooking and special recipes.

Free gifts were awarded to everyone in attendance, but a few received extra-special gifts.

Mrs. George Dasher, resident on south 10th street, was presented a Roper gas range by local manager Walter Gleason as she walked off with the top prize.

Other winners were Mrs. Paul D. Jahrig, basket of groceries from Black and White; Mrs. Joe Case, basket of groceries from Walt's Market; Mrs. Anna Slawek, groceries from Myers Grocery; Miss Ida Patton, groceries from Joe's New-Way Market; Mrs. Herb Baumgar, 25 pounds flour from Gooches Mills of Lincoln; Mrs. Jack Wiles, set of blue flame tumbler from the Gas Company; and Darlene Hennings, set of blue flame tumbler from the Gas Company.

Gleason presided during the presentation of awards and introduced Miss Bly to the audience.

Also on the scene was Carl J. Olsen, sales supervisor for the Gas Company from Lincoln.

## Methodist Church To Get New Roof

Shingling of the roof and rebuilding the tower of the Methodist church was started this week. The structure will be covered with asphalt shingles. Minor repairs to the tower are planned.

The work, depending upon the weather, is expected to be completed this month.

The building has not been shingled for more than 20 years. It has needed a new roof for sometime.

W. C. Soennichsen left Thursday morning for Florida, where he will vacation for several weeks.

## Four Are Slightly Injured Monday As Cars Collide

Four people received minor injuries in a two car accident on highway 75 north of Plattsmouth early Monday evening.

Injured were Mrs. Janet Y. Munkres and Mrs. Lenora Lühring, both of Weeping Water, and S/Sgt. Wm. A. Parish and S/Sgt. Charles Essex, both of Omaha.

The accident occurred about 6:30 Monday evening when the car driven by Parish apparently went out of control after hitting wet clay. The car swung around in the middle of the highway, colliding with the Munkres car which was going south. Parish was driving north at the time.

Mrs. Munkres was taken to Methodist hospital where she was treated for sprains, bruises and cuts. Mr. Lühring sustained slight injuries.

S/Sgt. Parish received cuts and bruises and two minor skull fractures. He was taken to Offutt Air Base hospital for treatment.

Sheriff Tom Solomon, who investigated the accident, said the two cars were almost totally damaged. The 1939 model driven by Parish was completely damaged on the left side and rear. Damage to the Munkres vehicle was estimated at \$700.

Clay deposits, washing onto the road, were believed to have caused the Parish car to whirl around in the road, according to the accident report.

## Park, Bandstand To Get Needed Repairs Soon

Authority for painting and repairing the bandstand and making general improvements at the city park was granted this week by the park board, Ward Pscherer, high school music instructor, said today.

Pscherer said the board gave the permission for purchase of paint and materials for fixing up the bandstand and park. The action is in preparation for the summer band concerts and ties in with Clean Up-Paint Up-Fix Up week in Plattsmouth.

While the board has okayed purchase of materials for repairing the bandstand and park for the summer program, most of the labor will be voluntary. Pscherer, who will direct the summer concerts, said parents of band members and members of the V. F. W. and Auxiliary will share in the repair work.

Improvements in the park facilities are the first step in preparing for the summer concerts, which, according to Pscherer, will probably start about the middle of June. The concerts will be held at the park.

Local high school students, grads, and other local musicians will present the concerts this summer. The concerts will probably be held on Wednesday nights.

## Six Cass County Students Honored At Wesley U.

More than 100 Nebraska Wesleyan University students were formally recognized for high academic and extra-curricular activity during the past year at the 26th annual Honors Day exercises Thursday morning.

Among the students honored were members of the 1950 graduating class who earned high scholastic awards during their senior year.

Cass county students honored were Donald Lorenson of Manley, Phi Kappa Phi silver key and departmental honors for graduating with distinction in business administration and history; Dean Lanning, Eagle, sweepstakes award, second place in Southern debate tournament, superior in the University of Nebraska tournament, and undefeated in debate. He was also awarded superior for extemporaneous speaking.

Miss Amanda Klemme of Murdock was honored by Phi Kappa Phi national honor society for scholarship. William Bailey of Eagle, Evelyn Fry of Murdock and Dean Lanning, were honored by Psi Chi, psychology society, and Bonnie Meisinger of Plattsmouth was honored by Tau Beta Sigma, national band honorary sorority.

Lanning is also listed in who's who among students in American universities and colleges.

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## Widening and Resurfacing Plattsmouth-Union Road Included In Summer Work

## Mrs. J. C. Bailey, Ex-Plattsmouth Resident, Dies

Mrs. J. C. Bailey, native of Tennessee but a resident of Plattsmouth for many years, died at New Orleans, La., Monday morning, April 30, 1951, after an illness of two months. She was 74 years old.

She came to Plattsmouth in 1928. Her husband died here in 1942.

Born December 20, 1876, at New Port, Tennessee, she was the daughter of Cornelious Simmons. She was married to Jackson C. Bailey at New Port, Mo. Bailey was a member of the Baptist church at Harahan, La.

Surviving are sons, Robert Bailey of Humansville, Mo., Conley H. Bailey of Plattsmouth and Carl Bailey, daughters, Mrs. Ada Fox of New Port, Tenn., Mrs. Sadie Bradley of Kansas City, Mo., Mrs. Margaret Carty of New Orleans, La.; two sisters, Mrs. J. M. Gregory of Kellogg, Iowa, and Mrs. W. H. Bailey of Kansas City, Mo.; two brothers, Bill Simmons of Henerietta, Mo., and Ben Simmons of Norborne, Mo.; seven grandchildren, four great grandchildren and 26 nieces and nephews.

One daughter, Estle, died at Kansas City in 1946.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, May 3, 1951, at Sattler Funeral Home at two o'clock with Rev. Harold V. Mitchell officiating.

Palbearers were Harry Rainey, Elmer Gochenour, Joseph Erass, Frank Stone, George Stone and Frank Rice. Burial was at Oak Hill cemetery at Plattsmouth.

Attending the funeral from out-of-town were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bailey of Humansville, Mrs. Ada Fox of New Port, Mrs. Sadie Bradley of Kansas City and Mrs. Margaret Carty of New Orleans.

Sattler Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Registration For Kindergarten To Be Held Friday

Registration of children who expect to enter the kindergarten next fall will be held from two until three o'clock Friday afternoon, May 4. Superintendent of Schools T. I. Fiest disclosed today.

Mothers are asked to take their child to the school located in their own school zone. Registration will be held at Central, Columbian, Wintersteen and First Ward schools.

If unable to register at the designated time, parents are asked to call the principal of the school in their section and arrange for an appointment, Fiest said.

It is a legal requirement that children who wish to enter kindergarten for the first time must attain the age of 5 years on or before October 15, following entrance to school.

Mrs. Leland Dale of David City was here this week as a house guest of Mr. and Mrs. N. W. McKee and other friends.

## Special Safety Award Presented Local District

Special recognition for their outstanding safety record was bestowed upon Plattsmouth district of Consumers Public Power at an employees dinner at Hotel Coffee Shop Wednesday evening.

The special recognition was for the seven years without a disabling accident. Awards were presented by R. L. Schacht, general manager, Consumers Public Power District.

Recently the rotating safety plaque was presented to the Beatrice district. Plattsmouth was awarded second place for 1950 with an accident frequency of zero for 35,800 manhours worked.

The Plattsmouth district was unable to qualify for the annual safety plaque because their manhours are not sufficient to compete with the larger districts.

In consideration of this and in recognition of the outstanding safety record achieved over the past years, the special award was presented.

Service pins were also presented to Mrs. Lorine Urish, cashier, 25 years service, and Eddy Post, sales supervisor, 15 years service. Presentation was made by L. Lundin, personnel director.

Present from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Schacht, Mr. and Mrs. M. Mehring, Mr. and Mrs. L. Lundin, all of Columbus, Paul Doerr, Lincoln, and Mr. and Mrs. Vilas Ketelhut of Nehawka.

## Attorneys Discuss Oil Rights Monday

Three Plattsmouth attorneys attended a meeting of the Nebraska Bar Association at Hotel Paxton, Omaha, Monday. Laws relating to the oil industry were discussed. Establishing oil rights, and legal proceedings necessary covering the industry, as well as many questions involving rights were discussed.

Attending from Plattsmouth were Florence Fouchek, Harold Lebens and Richard Peck.

Mrs. Helene Redfern of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting friends in Plattsmouth this week. She is a house guest of Sophia Wolter.

Mrs. Henry Royer returned from the Methodist hospital Monday. She had been there for observation since Friday.

## Homemakers To Hold 5-Day Nursery School

A brief health examination. Free play. Toilet. Fruit juice or milk. Circle and story. Rest period. Free play.

The morning group will receive dinner the last two days rather than the fruit juice, while the afternoon group will receive the juice or milk every day.

Lack of facilities necessitate limiting the sections to 10 children each.

Mothers interested in having their child attend the nursery school should make arrangements with a homemaking girl or call the high school at 5278. Mothers are urged to attend the first day and are invited to visit any of the following sessions.

The daily play school schedules will include:

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Three broad highway construction programs are on tap for Plattsmouth and Cass county during the summer, according to information received by the Journal from Senator Chris Metzger and the State Highway Department.

Letting of contracts for three improvements, headed by the Plattsmouth-Union resurfacing, is scheduled for May 24. The other two projects are in the Greenwood and Nehawka areas. Along with the local street improvements, it should be a big summer in road development for this community.

Senator Metzger also revealed that in all probability Highway 50 from the Louisville bridge north for seven miles to Omaha will also be paved.

Widening and resurfacing of Highway U. S. Nos. 73 and 75 between Plattsmouth and Union is one of the projects on which contractors will bid at a letting May 24th.

South of Plattsmouth to Murray, the highway will be made 4 feet wider and completely resurfaced. Between Murray and Union, it will be resurfaced.

The existing concrete highway is 20 feet wide. Trenches, 2 1/2 feet wide and a foot deep, will be dug on each side of the pavement between Plattsmouth and Murray. A 6-inch layer of crushed rock will be laid and compacted in these trenches. Over the crushed rock will be laid three successive layers, each 2 inches thick, of hot-mixed asphaltic concrete. After the widening is completed, the center 24 feet will be covered with a 3-inch thickness of asphaltic concrete.

The highway will be open for traffic throughout the work. Widening will be on only one side of the road at a time. When the widening is completed, half the width of the highway will be resurfaced at a time. One-way traffic will be necessary only where the resurfacing is actually taking place. The highway between Plattsmouth and Fort Crook was widened in 1950.

An inch and a half of asphaltic concrete will be laid over the existing 20-foot width of the highway between Murray and Union. Before the resurfacing begins between Plattsmouth and Union, more than two thousand square yards of concrete paving will be laid to replace sections which have failed under heavy traffic. Several culverts will also be built to improve drainage facilities.

The reconstruction of Highway U. S. No. 6 between Greenwood and Ashland is another of the projects on which contractors will bid at a letting May 24th.

From the Lancaster-Cass county line northeast through Greenwood to the Cass-Saunders county boundary, about a mile south of Ashland, new concrete pavement 24 feet wide will be laid over the existing 20-foot width pavement. Three new bridges will be built on the six-mile long project.

Some of the 22-year-old concrete has an inch and a half of bituminous surfacing over it. Trenches, 3 feet wide, will be dug on each side of the pavement. These trenches will be filled with a foot depth of compacted earth, covered by a 6-inch depth of foundation course. The new concrete paving will be 6 inches thick over the pavement and 8 inches thick for the widening. In some spots where the old pavement has completely failed under heavy traffic, the surfacing will be removed and new paving, 8 inches thick and 24 feet wide, will be laid.

A new bridge, 52 feet long, will replace the box culvert now carrying the waters of Deer Creek. A structure 80 feet long over Greenwood Creek and a 92-foot bridge over Callahan Creek will replace the old crossings in those locations. All three new bridges will have concrete floors 28 feet wide. Three new culverts will be installed beneath the highway and 23 of those in place will be made larger.

Some sidewalks in Greenwood will be removed to facilitate the widening. New walks will be built to replace those removed.

During construction, traffic from the northeast will leave No. 6 at the Saunders-Cass county line, go south five miles and west four miles to return to the highway. Another mile of detour will connect Greenwood with the main detour. Before construction on No. 6 begins, three new culverts will be built and five existing culverts will be made larger on the county roads used as a detour.

Hard surfacing of a mile of highway from Nehawka south to U. S. No. 24 is a project on

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