

Street Widening, 8th Street Paving Will Start Soon

Street improvements, contracted for a total of \$41,380.58 will get underway in Plattsmouth this week, weather permitting, F. S. Lacy contractor for the National Construction Company of Omaha said Tuesday.

The company was awarded the contract for paving in the vicinity of Eighth street and Pershing avenue. The National Construction Company's bid of \$19,022.98 was the only one received by the city council. Bids were opened at a special meeting of the council Tuesday night.

Calf Show Will Be On Used Car Lot

The calf show at the King Korn Carnival will be held on the Plattsmouth Motors used car lot on Washington avenue, it was announced today.

Karnival heads also disclosed that a larger tent has been obtained for the calf show in anticipation of a greater entry list.

Along with the 1951 calf show, a calf sale is also planned. The sale will be the first ever held in connection with the Korn Carnival.

Mrs. Midkiff, 48, Dies At Union After Long Illness

Mrs. Martha Julia Midkiff, resident of Union for the past ten years, died at Union Wednesday, September 5, 1951, after an illness of six months. Death was attributed to cancer. She was 48.

Born June 18, 1903 at Cook, she was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Horner. After her marriage to Oscar Midkiff at Nebraska City January 17, 1923, they farmed in the Avoca area until moving to Union in 1941.

Mrs. Midkiff was a member of the Methodist church. Surviving are her husband, Oscar; a daughter, Mrs. Lola Murdock of Rockport, Mo.; a son, Richard Midkiff of Union, and a grandson at Rockport. Other survivors are her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horner of Otoe; four brothers, Elmer of Nebraska City, Dick of Macon, Mo., Clarence of Perry, Pa., and Melvin of Los Angeles; and three sisters, Mrs. Herbert Tiede of Nebraska City, Miss Betty Horner of Otoe and Mrs. Edith Botkins of Lincoln.

Funeral services will be held Friday at two o'clock at the Union Baptist church with Rev. D. H. McMillan officiating. Pallbearers will be Henry Pearsley, John Pearsley, Lloyd Pell, Roy Dye, Bob Harrah and Glen Dunbar.

Burial will be in Avoca cemetery.

Son-In-Law Dies In Plane Crash

Avoca—Special—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Noerlinger received word Sunday, September 2, of the accidental death of their son-in-law, S. Sgt. Kenneth Kelso.

Sgt. Kelso, who was stationed near Austin, Texas, was accidentally killed in a plane crash. No details of the mishap are available.

He is survived by his wife, Doris, and his parents at Peru, Mo., and Mrs. Noerlinger, Chester Noerlinger, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilson departed for Texas Sunday evening.

Parsons Changes Plea; Fined \$50 Drunken Driving

Phillip H. Parsons was fined \$50 and costs in county court Tuesday on a charge of drunken driving after changing his plea to guilty.

Parsons, recently of Decatur, but now claiming Plattsmouth as his residence, pleaded not guilty to the charge when arraigned in county court last week.

Judge Raymond J. Case also suspended Parsons operator's license for 30 days.

Cub Scout Leaders To Meet Here Sunday

Cub leaders from Cass district will meet here Sunday afternoon, September 9 for a discussion of the training program for Cub Scouts. The session is slated to start at two o'clock.

Cub leaders from throughout Cass county are expected to attend.

Schools Draw Parents Wrath

Parents of Plattsmouth's younger grade school students descended upon the board of education Wednesday night with many and varied gripes about administrative problems. Their problems in general were:

1. Transferring pupils from one elementary school to another.
2. School buildings not open in time so that students can enter the buildings.
3. Cafeteria not available to all students.
4. Teachers not qualified.

One by one the gripes were aired in the presence of the six school board members and Superintendent of School T. I. Friest.

But parents seemed mostly concerned with the practice of not admitting youngsters into the building, regardless of weather conditions. At least six parents at the meeting told incidents where their youngsters had been forced to stand out in the rain and cold because the buildings were locked. Many other incidents were also cited.

While much of the discussion referred to last year, similar incidents have been reported this year, after only two days of school. One school building, during the rain Wednesday, was said to be closed until after 1:15, while children, first to 4th graders, huddled by the building.

Other complaints were registered because younger children were told they could not eat in the cafeteria; and because teachers are not qualified.

Backed by members of the school board, Superintendent Friest explained that all students are welcome to eat at the cafeteria when circumstances demand it. And he said, building superintendents have been told again and again that doors must be open at 8:30 and at 12:55 to admit pupils. He also explained that noon lunch periods are to be supervised.

In explaining the problem of transferring students from one school to another, Friest explained that all classrooms are overcrowded. He said the parents were asked to send their children to another school to equalize the load. But apparently some parents were not satisfied with the arrangements, even though the conditions were described as better for the child involved.

Letters were sent out by Friest prior to school requesting parents to cooperate by sending their children to the designated school. Parents demanded that boundary lines be observed, and cited instances where neighboring children attended different schools.

But with the heavy enrollment, even well over anticipated numbers, additional parents will soon be involved. To equalize the teaching load, and at the same time provide the best proper education for Plattsmouth school children, other boys and girls in the elementary grades will have to be transferred. Another week to ten days is expected to clear up the situation.

The school board also came in for some direct criticism. It was told that "we'll give you ten days to come up with a satisfactory solution."

The board expressed general approval of Mr. Friest's assignment of students, and explained that the other problems would be given immediate attention.

While in session, the board also explained the school building needs, and current plans for erecting a new elementary building.

School Board Will Buy The Band Uniforms

The Board of Education Wednesday night authorized the purchase of 10 and one-half band uniforms to increase the number to 70.

Authorization came following the request of Music Director Ward Pascher. Pascher explained that he plans to organize a 70-piece concert band and that only 59 1/2 uniforms are available. The one-half uniform explained by Pascher, resulted when one pair of slacks did not fit, and a new pair was ordered.

Cost of the uniforms was estimated at \$600.

The other 59 1/2 uniforms were of no cost to the school board however. They were provided by band parents, who put out more than \$3,200 for them. Since the Band Parents have purchased musical instruments to the tune of \$600, the board readily granted the uniform request.

Pascher also requested that the board obtain a part-time music teacher to relieve some of his load. Unable to give proper supervision to soloists and small groups, because of the heavy time demand, he suggested that a part-time teacher be obtained to supervise elementary music and junior high vocal.

Board members then instructed Superintendent Friest to inquire for a part-time music and elementary grade school teacher. The general thinking is, that a teacher be obtained to teach one-half day music, and one-half day in one of the lower grades.

Nehawka Native Dies; Burial At Council Bluffs

NEHAWKA—(Special)—Mrs. John Zimmerman, native of Nehawka, was buried at the Council Bluffs Memorial cemetery, August 24, 1951, following services at the Meyer Funeral Home at Council Bluffs.

Mrs. Zimmerman, a resident of Omaha, died August 23 of a heart affliction.

Daughter of the late Charles and Martha McReynolds, she was born one and one-half miles north of Nehawka in 1886. Grief over the death of a son, Loyd Beam, a few weeks ago, is thought to have contributed to her illness and death.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Berger and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin McReynolds and Mrs. Gilbert Kime, cousins of Mrs. Zimmerman, attended the services.

Surviving are sisters, Mrs. Pearl Jones of Murray and Mrs. Myra Chase of Omaha; her husband, John, of Omaha, and a grandson, Capt. Arthur Beam of Vallejo, California.

Strader Gets Year Sentence In Penitentiary

Richard Lee Strader was sentenced to one year in the Nebraska State Penitentiary Wednesday by District Judge Thomas E. Dunbar.

Strader pleaded guilty to the charge of breaking and entering a Cass county service station north of Ashland. He had been bound over to district court after entering a guilty plea in county court last week.

Sheriff Tom Solomon said that Strader has already served terms in the Missouri Penitentiary for various offenses, according to information received from Missouri officials.

Strader was arrested a week ago after he allegedly stole several quarts of oil from the Wal-Mart service station. Strader is from Kansas City.

Mrs. Pollard, 79, Nehawka Native, Dies Tuesday

NEHAWKA—(Special)—Mrs. Mollie Switzer Pollard, native of the Nehawka community, died at the home of her son, George Pollard, at 10:30 Tuesday morning, Sept. 4, 1951, following an illness of eight months. She was 79 years old.

Born December 24, 1871 on the home place southwest of Nehawka, she was the daughter of George and Lydia Switzer. She was married to Henry M. Pollard at the home of her parents. He died in 1930. They had always resided in the Nehawka community.

She was a member of the Methodist church and the Rebekah lodge.

Surviving are her son, George of Nehawka; three brothers, Delbert and Leo Switzer of Nehawka, and Chalmers of Minden, and one grandson, Larry Pollard of Nehawka.

The family requested no flowers but asked instead that contributions be made to the Children's Memorial Hospital in her memory.

Tractor Stolen From Stites' Lot

A new M tractor was stolen from the Stites Implement Company lot on the south edge of Plattsmouth sometime between Saturday and Wednesday. Sheriff Tom Solomon reported.

Solomon said the theft was reported to him Wednesday. He said the tractor had been on display along with other tractors at the company's lot along Highway 75. Further investigation is planned, Solomon said.

School Lighting Is Completed

Students at Columbian school are benefitting this year from installation of fluorescent lighting in all rooms at the building. The work completed last week was done by Hudson Electric.

The company also installed the new lighting system in the home economics room in the high school building.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Nielsen flew to Denver over the Labor Day week end to visit friends in the Colorado city.

Willard McShane of Louisville Named County Assessor

Audiometer Is Obtained For Therapy Class

The Plattsmouth school system has received an audiometer through the Nebraska Society for Crippled Children for use in its special speech and hearing therapy class, to be conducted for the first time this year.

The audiometer was obtained through the cooperation of the Cass county chapter and Orson Perkins, secretary of the Nebraska Society.

Mrs. Robert Reade, instructor in the speech therapy class, said today that all kindergarten and freshman students entering Plattsmouth schools for the first time will be thoroughly checked. Youngsters in Plattsmouth known to be in need of speech therapy will also receive a thorough test she said. The check-up will probably start next week.

The audiometer, on loan from the Nebraska Society, was acquired through the purchase of Easter Seals. Mrs. Reade said that children found requiring special treatment will be referred to their family doctor.

In explaining the broad program outlined for those in need of special work, Mrs. Reade explained that the audiometer merely determines if there is a hearing defect. Defective hearing is often the cause of speech defects, Mrs. Reade said.

She also said that if the need is shown, special arrangements can be made to test pre-school age children. Parents are asked to contact Mrs. Reade for further information.

Along with the speech therapy class, Mrs. Reade said the group needs educational toys, such as puzzles, lacing tools, blocks and puppets. Through use of the toys, youngsters can be taught the correct sounds. Funds and materials are needed for a complete program she said. Much of the program is financed by the state.

Sixth And Main Is Scene Of Accident

Two cars were slightly damaged here Wednesday afternoon at the corner of 6th and Main.

Cars involved were those belonging to Adella G. Story and a government vehicle driven by Diana Legan of Omaha.

The account of the accident as appearing on the report of Deputy Sheriff Kenneth Dunlap said the accident occurred about 3:30 Wednesday afternoon. Diana Legan told Dunlap that she had braked for a stop at the corner of Sixth and Main streets when the Story car rolled back from the curb in front of her vehicle. Mrs. Story was not in the car at the time.

The Story car received a damaged left rear tail light, and the government car was damaged on the right front fender, grill and door.

Mrs. Quinnett Has Eye Operation

Mrs. James Quinnett, Sr., was operated on at St. Joseph's hospital at Omaha for an eye condition that she has suffered for some time. It will be several days before the result of the operation can be determined.

Rotarians To Have Float In King Korn Carnival

Plattsmouth Rotarians climbed on the King Korn Carnival band wagon Tuesday by voting to enter a float in the parade. The float will be in commemoration of the club's 25th anniversary.

Richard Young was named committee chairman for preparing the float, while Rotarians, on the whole, were named to provide the financing. One dollar was collected from each Rotarian at the meeting.

The club's silver anniversary float should be a proper entry tying in with the Carnival theme, "History on Parade."

In tune with history on parade, but of no connection to the Korn Carnival, was the interesting discussion presented by Joseph F. Klammer, speaker at the Tuesday noon meeting.

An exchange student under Rotary International's Fellowship program, Mr. Klammer was a guest of Howard Hirz, program chairman.

Willard G. McShane, 35-year-old Louisville man, has been appointed Cass county assessor by the county commissioners. The action was taken Tuesday at the commissioners regular session.

McShane was appointed to fill the unexpired term of William H. Puls, who died recently following a short illness. Mr. Puls was re-elected to the assessor's post last fall.

Dancing Troupe Will Perform

Jean Lockin's dancing class has again been invited to perform at the King Korn Carnival, President B. H. G. Eiting announced today.

The dancing troupe, composed of many Plattsmouth youngsters will perform at 3:30 Friday afternoon. The program will run for about one hour. The dancing class will feature tap, ball, ballet, comedy and novelty numbers.

The group was well received at the county fair last month.

Hamblen Fined \$50 On Reckless Driving Charge

Lowell S. Hamblen was fined \$50 and costs in county court Wednesday on charges of willful reckless driving. Judge Raymond J. Case also suspended the defendant's driver's license for three months.

Arraigned on information provided by Sheriff Tom Solomon, Hamblen pleaded guilty to the charge.

The charges grew out of an accident which occurred about midnight Saturday, when the Hamblen vehicle, and one driven by Miss Betty Farber of Omaha collided. Solomon said Hamblen attempted to crowd the other vehicle off the road.

The five occupants in the Farber car informed Solomon of the mishap. Damage to the vehicles was estimated at \$100.

Methodist Church To Hold District Conference Here

The Omaha District of The Methodist Church will hold its district conference in Plattsmouth Sunday, September 9. The district contains fifty-seven churches in the counties bordering the Missouri River from the Kansas line north to include the southern portion of Thurston County.

During the morning worship service Dr. Paul Hillman, District Superintendent will preach. The conference officially opens at 3:00 p.m. at 5:00 p.m. Mrs. Dana Dawson, bishop of the Kansas-Nebbraska area will address the congregation and show colored slides which he took during a recent tour of several months through the Methodist mission fields of Africa.

Mr. and Mrs. Les McGill and Mr. and Mrs. Ward Schade attended Iowa state fair at Des Moines over the Labor Day week end.

Lt. Harry Tincher Arrives Home From Korea

First Lt. Harry R. Tincher arrived in Plattsmouth this morning, after returning to the United States Monday aboard the navy transport, Marine Lynx.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Tincher, met him at Union Station at Omaha at three o'clock this morning. He arrived by train from Seattle where the ship docked. Fifteen other Nebraskans were aboard the transport.

His mother told the Journal that Lt. Tincher had called them Monday after the boat docked. He will be home on 30-day furlough before reporting to Ft. Sill, Oklahoma, for assignment.

In Korea since shortly after the conflict broke out in June, 1950, Lt. Tincher has been in the service for three years. He received his training at Ft. Riley, Kansas, and in March, 1950 was sent to Japan. From Japan he entered the Korean conflict July 4, 1950. Lt. Tincher received his commission in the field. In Korea he served with the 11th Field Artillery.

Mrs. Wasley Suffers Stroke; Found In Basement Of Home

Mrs. Mary Wasley, 78, long time resident of Plattsmouth, is at the Methodist hospital in Omaha, undergoing treatment following a stroke. Mrs. Wasley was found by boarders at her residence on North 9th street, lying in the basement of the home Saturday morning.

She has suffered the loss of use of the right side and unable to speak.

Mrs. Wasley was given local medical aid and then taken to Omaha to be cared for.

Lowell C. Wiles Fined \$100 In Delinquency Case

Lowell C. Wiles, 27-year-old Weeping Water farmer, was fined \$100 and costs in county court Wednesday on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

A 30-day jail sentence was suspended by Judge Raymond J. Case.

Wiles was charged with contributing to the delinquency of a 17-year-old Weeping Water girl, who had been employed for several weeks at his home. In confessions signed by both Wiles and the minor, both admitted sexual relations.

Married and the father of one child, Wiles entered a plea of guilty to the charge in county court.

The girl has been working in Plattsmouth since leaving the employ at the Wiles' farm home.

Fremont Man To Head Plattsmouth Motors' Service

Clarence Cusick has been named service manager for Plattsmouth Motors, it was announced today. Mr. Cusick is from Fremont.

Connected with the Ford dealer at Fremont for the past 20 years, he served in the service department there. Mr. Cusick, his wife and child will move to Plattsmouth about the first of the year.

At Fremont where he lived for 45 years, he was associated with American Legion Junior baseball for 12 years, and was interested in the Boy Scout program.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Boscher of Omaha were here Sunday for a few hours visiting with friends and enjoying a short outing.

Betty Todd, John Knabe Show Top 4-H Livestock

Miss Betty Todd of Murray was one of eight purple ribbon winners for her 4-H fat heifer exhibited at the state fair in Lincoln. Miss Todd exhibited an Angus heifer. She also received a blue ribbon for another Angus heifer on display.

Other 4-H calf winners from Cass county were Wayne Rieke of Union, a white ribbon with an Angus heifer; Robert Parks of Greenwood, red ribbon for Class A Hereford heifer; Dale Hild of Plattsmouth, red ribbon for Class A Hereford heifer; and Calvin and Harold Todd of Ashland, white ribbons for Class A Hereford heifers.

Cass county 4-Hers also showed well in the swine breeding and showmanship classes at the state fair.

In the showmanship contest, John Knabe of Nehawka won the top purple ribbon and the gold medal. The silver medal went to Arley Waldo of DeWitt, formerly of Weeping Water.

Winners from Cass county in the swine breeding class were: Duroc Sows—Kenneth Tschirren of Plattsmouth, red and white ribbons.

Hampshire Sows—John Knabe of Nehawka, purple ribbon. Oliver Johnson of Alvo, two red ribbons; and Marvin McKay of Alvo, a red ribbon.

Hampshire breeding litter—John Knabe of Nehawka, blue ribbon.

Spotted Poland China sows—Darren Althouse of Alvo, two blue ribbons.

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