Lepert-Wolever Post, No. 2543, Veterans of Foreign

Following an address by James Begley, secretary of

Wars, Monday night unanimously approved a motion en-

dorsing the building program of the Plattsmouth Board

of Education, and recommended passage of the proposed

bond issue which will come before the voters February 19.

the board of education, the Veterans group voted full

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Tuesday Night

Honored at the anniversary were seven original charter members who are still active in Rotary today.
They are William G. Baird, Searl S. Davis, Dr. Paul T.
Heineman, Roy W. Knorr, Dr. Harry G. McClusky, Fred I. Rea and R. Arthur Troop.

Four Initiated By Plattsmouth

A. L. Nierste, past commanpost pinned a membership pin that the first Rotary meeting on his son, Pfc. Robin Nierste at Plattsmouth was held Feb-Monday night, as a feature of ruary 8, 1927. Two weeks later the initiation of four overseas the group received its charter.

Others initiated were Bruce Lanum, Roy Wilson and Arl ers in 1927 were John Tidball, Camden. The initiation was a vice president; Paul Heineman, highlight of the February meet- secretary; Fred I. Rea, treasur-

were A. L. Nierste, Dale Bow- George Petring directors. man, Lloyd Fitch, Harry Griffin. Laverne Hennings, Clarence Wood, Dick Cotner, Walt Sikora,

sponsor a national junior rifle rural relations meetings and team as another part of its inter-city meetings. Still carryyouth activities program. John ing on the rural relations pro-Baburek was named chairman of the activity.

Announcement of require-ments and the overall plan will they have held such meetings be made after organization has been completed. The team will be organized under the National hawka. Weeping Water, Louis-Rifle Association regulations.

which is slated April 24. Prior to that, nomination for election of officers will be held March 3, with election in April.

Reports Feature . School Board Session Monday

T. L. Friest, board members learned in a letter from Floyd Parker of the state department of public instruction that his office has urged federal approval of the school district's application for steel allottments.

The group also learned that

Behrends Attends Rural School

The group also discussed election of a state board rather than a superintendent, and to appoint the superintendent or commissioner of education from

A. G. Gabelman of Madison, president of the rural group, presided during the session. Speakers were Senators Glenn Creamer of Albion, Frank Nelson of O'Neill, Dwight W. Burney of Hartington, and Herbert J. Duis of Gothenburg.

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25th Year Noted By Rotary Club

"Service above Self" for 25-years has been the byword of Plattsmouth Rotary Club, which Tuesday night celebrated the 25th anniversary of its founding. Rotarians, their wives and guests returned to the Presbyterian church for a special anniversary dinner. The church was the first meeting place of Rotarians here.

the 25 years which the organ-ization has served Plattsmouth

der of the Plattsmouth V. F. W. veterans into the local post.

Dick March and Ed Kief.

be organized under the National The inter-city meetings, in Currently members of the V. F. W. are looking forward to the past commander's banquet,

Reports of the special speech therapy class, the condition of the music department's financial standing and additional school building information featured a meeting of the Plattsmouth Board of Education Monday night

Meeting at the office of Supt.

Ward Pscherer has kept the music department's expenses close the appropriated budget. Pscherer reported that music and instrument repairs have just about exhausted the budget

School board members learned too that the special therapy class started this past year and taught by Mrs. Robert Reade, has fully answered its purpose. Mrs. Reade in her semi-annual report, said that 34 students have been aided and instructed in the course and that five of the class have now been dis-

Board Session

Supt. Lloyd Behrends attended the annual meeting of the Nebraska Rural School Boards Association at Norfolk Tuesday. Fourteen county superintendents and 21 counties were represented at the meeting.

The rural school heads passed resolutions recommending that normal training for two year period be reinstated to cut the teacher shortage in rural areas; study and recommend to the Negislature the county unit education program, and to retain current legislation forbidding the sale of school lands.

Searl S. Davis, a charter member, briefly outlined the development of Rotary in reviewing

and Cass county. Recalling the founding, Davis told Rotarians and guests that Dr. Ray Kingsley of Omaha, and Roy Ronald, district governor from South Dakota, conducted the survey here, and

Davis headed the Rotary club in its diaper year. Other officer: William F. Evers, sergeant Participating in the initiation at arms; Robert Bates and

During its 25 years. Rotary

boasts a number of civic and community accomplishments Among those specifically men-The veterans also voted to tioned by Mr. Davis were the gram. Rotarians designate one meeting each year to meet with ville and Eight Mile Grove.

> addition to being held here, Omana, Nebiaska City and Falis Other projects of Rotary have

senting guidance books to library; donations to Scout cabin funds and Children's Memorfor underprivileged children.

standard in attendance and Rotary participation. It had per- tive. fect attendance at the district convention in 1928; won athad 100 percent registration in constantly raked the area. 1950; and members have contributed 100 percent to Rotary Foundation Fund.

Davis also paid tribute to Hilt (Continued on Page Eight)

Thacker Heads **Extension Board**

Glen Thacker of Nehawka was elected chairman of the Cass county extension board at the group's regular meeting held Friday, February 1, at Weeping Water.

Other officers elected were Ernest Hild of Louisville, vice chairman, and Mrs. Vincent Rehmeier of Weeping Water, secretary-treasurer.

The eleven member board tee and is the over-all governing body of Cass county exten-

of Murdock were in Plattsmouth ater each evening on business Tuesday. While here they renewed their subscription



A faint smile and bright eyes are the response shown by Mrs. Elizzabeth Tritsch during celebration of her 100th birthday anniversary held at her home at 906 Avenue C Saturday. One hundred American Beauty roses, gifts of relatives and friends, center the serving table in the background. The centennial celebration of Mrs. Tritsch's birth was marked by the presence of more than 200 friends and relatives. The birthday party was given by Mrs. Amelia Heldt, niece of Mrs. Tritsch.

Wabash Soldier Firemen's Fund Awarded Bronze Drive Climbs;

WITH THE 1ST CAVALRY have taken Rotarians to Glen- Vogt, Wabash, Neb., has been wood and Council Bluffs, Iowa; awarded a Bronze Star Medal for herosan in action in Korea, ment. Vogt, a member of Company L in the 5th Cavalry Regiment, been sponsorship of Boy Scouts: won the decoration for his acsponsoring a junior and senior tion on October 7, near Yonboy to Rotary meetings; pre- chon, Korea, during an attack against enemy hill positions. The citation accompanying

contribution to relief the decoration declares, in part: Vanek and Tex Chovanec, \$2; Sergeant Vogt was helping ial hospital; and medical care lay communication wires from forward elements of the com-The group has also set a pany to the command post after Fred Vallery, Oliver Schiber and radio contact became ineffec-

"During the battle, however, wires over the entire battalion tendance banner at district in sector were cut by the enemy 1933 and in all for eight years; artillery and mortar fire which

'Sergeant Vogt and the men of his section voluntarily repaired and maintained the wires throughout the remainder of the

"His exceptional courage and devotion to duty were contributing factors in the unit's defense of its newly won positions and resulted in heavy casualties

on the enemy." The 1st Cavalry Division has recently arrived in Japan after spending 17 months in the Korean front line. It is now stationed on the northernmost island of Hokkaido.

Theatre Plugs School Plans

Cass theater began showing of slides outlining the general serves as the executive commit- school building program this week. Howard Hirz, in cooperation with the board of education, prepared the slide which Mr. and Mrs. Dan Schlaphoff is shown to patrons of the the-

> A Classified Ad in The Journn. 1 costs as nittle as 35c.



An overturned convertible shown here represents the damage which ice on the highway can cause. The convertible, driven by Richard Colville of Cedar, Iowa, was damaged and a trailer home which it was pulling, completely demolished when the vehicle a new \$249,000 elementary plant gether on the present auditorwent out of control after striking ice on the pavement near Elm- and Kimball completed a \$200,- ium stage. wood. Two other cars, driven by Cpl. William Harper of Lancaster, South Carolina, and Pfc. James T. Richter later were involved in were a \$255,000 elementary plant Solomon investigated the mishap.

-Photo by Sheriff Tom Solomon

Star For Heroism Benefit Slated

Contributors reported were Style Shop, Garden Club, Senior Women's Club and Mabel Engelkemeier. St. John's Altar Society, \$5; Frank Bierl and John Bajeck, \$3; John Cechal, \$2.50; L. W. Lorenz, Antonia George Lushinsky, Don Nickles, C. H. Cuthrell, Chas. Keil, Harvey Meisinger, L. O. Lagerstrom, M. Balthazor, \$1.

Firemen are now looking forward to the special Firemen's Ball which will be given by Plattsmouth Aerie, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Saturday night,, February 16, at the Eagles Hall. Proceeds of the benefit dance will go to the department fund. Pick's Top Hatters will play at the Saturday night dance. Tickets may be obtained at many

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downtown stores.

Mrs. Elizabeth Tritsch, 100 School Voting Requirements Are Explained

certain ballots shall be cast, and

The laws of Nebraska provide that every citizen of the United States who has resided in the Buyers Skeptical district forty days and who is Of Dollar Value owns real or personal property that was assessed in the District in his name at the last annual assessment or whose spouse owns real or personal property that was assessed in the name of such spouse in the District at the last annual assessment or who has children of school age residing in the District, is entitled to vote at any school elec-

This means that to be eligible to vote a person must be a citizen of the United States, over 21 years of age, and have a bona fide legal residence in the District for 40 days, and in ad-dition either have children of school age residing in the District or have property assessed in his or her name or spouse's name at the last annual assessment. This differs slightly from the qualifications of voters for state elections and perhaps will affect a few voters.

All property otherwise liable for assessment for school purposes is likewise liable for assessment under the levy for the bond issue, and this will include tangible personal property as well as real estate.

An additional \$42.50, contrib- does not change the District's for \$110. DIV. IN JAPAN-Sgt. Lloyd H. uted to the Plattsmouth Volun- boundaries or affect the right | Sheriff Solomon stated that teer Fire Department was an- to vote of persons living out- the ex-convict was reportedly nounced today by the dep at- side of the city limits but within attempting to sell an adding ballots and the judges in the to the Court House.

Sheriff Abused; Youth Fined \$15

Marvin C. Pierce, 18, of Plattsmouth was fined \$15 and costs in county court Wednesday on a charge of resisting and abusing an officer. Judge Raymond J. Case also suspended a fine against the youth on a charge of operating a vehicle with improper muffler.

Pierce was charged with resisting and abusing Sheriff Tom Solomon, when arrested on the muffler charge.

Judge Case also ordered the youth not to drive at night for 30 days.

School Construction Here Behind Rest Of Nebraska

Thirty-six Nebraska high* school districts have appropria- finished a \$150,000 building ted funds for construction of ed from the state department of

public instruction. Costs of the structures range from a \$35,000 bond for gymnasium-auditorium at Center, to several millions of dollars at Omaha, Lincoln and Grand

Island But a closer comparison shows the necessity for maintaining an adequate accredited school system here. Clarkson, a few miles away has funds for building a \$475,000 high school. Broken Bow has authorized for an elementary

building and auditorium. In addition to the many ing services with the state de- school in a city." partment of public instruction. reports.

ber. Also completed in . 1951,

Throughout the state, better high school and elementary educational facilities are being buildings and additions, ac- built to provide substantial and cording to information receiv- improved conditions in which the youth of the nation receive their formal training. Like Plattsmouth, most of the completed projects and new ones are expansion programs designed to add more complete facilitles and to retain the accreditation of the school. .

A recent survey here showed that Plattsmouth's school system is generally overcrowded from kindergarten through high school. Classes designed for 25 town of less than 1,000 has ap- students, are carrying as many propriated \$227,000 for a new as 44, nearly double the recomhigh school. Schuyler, only a mended number. The Junior high school department is crowded into very small rooms in the high school building, while in the grades, classes run

as high as 40 to 44 pupils. The overtaxed school systems school projects now in progress, necessitates splitting of teacher 65 similar school building pro- assignments, with one class bejects were completed in the ing divided between two teachpast five years, including 19 in ers who are already teaching 1951 and one in 1952, Floyd G. other classes. North Ward school Parker, director of school build- has been described as a "rural

As many as eighty high school musicians, including instru-Among those most recently ments, drums, tubas, horns and completed was a \$300,000 high slide trombones, have been school plant and vocational ag jammed into the "music room" shop finished at Benkelman in scarcely larger than an average December. Central City built a living room. Wednesday night. \$175,000 gymnasium-auditorium many local residents saw a 64addition. Holdrege is now using piece concert band huddled to-

Some 1,250 children in Plattsmouth are seeking an education here, in a school system designand elementary combination at receiving the attention, special Neligh, white Pender recently training and facilities they need.

VFW Post Indorses Are Explained Because some confusion has arisen as to who may vote, where arisen bellets about the sound bellets about the so what property may be assessed in connection with the coming school bond election, the school board has obtained the following legal opinion. Program of Board Board Board Board

Values are always numerous in Plattsmouth. Louis Naeve, proprietor of Naeve's Liquor store, established that as a certainty this week when he offered to sell genuine U.S. Govern-ment minted \$1 bills for only 95 cents.

Although buyers have been skpetical, the offer is to be continued throughout this week. Only a few took advantage of the special of-

Television Taken At Greenwood Is Recovered

ary 28, is in the process of being solved according to Sheriff Solomon. The breakin netted the burglars almost eight hundred dollars worth of merchandise which included three television

Sheriff Solomon broke the case open Tuesday afternoon Although the legal proceed- after locating one of the teleings require the school district vision sets at a residence at 5910 which has always been known N 52nd St., in Omaha. The own-as District No. 1 to be officially er of the residence had signed named as "The School District a full statement with the sherof the City of Plattsmouth in | iff in which he gave the name of the County of Cass in the State an ex-convict who sold him the of Nebraska," this requirement set the day after the burglary

the school district. However, in machine and typewriter which order to eliminate confusion, items may have come from the the Court House has been des- consolidated schools breakin at ignated as the voting place for Eagle on January 18. A search such voters and the judges there of the ex-convict's home in will be instructed to accept their Omaha netted the sheriff a tool which may have been the inother precincts will direct them strument which was used to force the door at the McDon-

ald's store The ex-convict is being sough in a two state search. E. L. McDonald, owner of the store, offered at the time of the breakin a \$500 reward.

Open Forum On School Construction Slated Tonight

An open forum will be held at the high school auditorium man Borders, who allegedly had Thursday night, February 7, to been forced from the road when discuss the proposed bond issue the car driven by Dorothy Akins for construction of school build- attempted to pass another car ings here. The forum will be on the highway three miles under the direction of the south of Murray.

board of education. forum and to discuss the aspects of building an elementary school and high school ad- inal plea. dition with members of the school board.

The meeting will be held eight o'clock.

Newburn Enlists In Marine Corps Eugene Newburn departed Monday for the marine base at San Diego, Calif. He enlisted

for three years.

Eugene is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Newburn of Platts-

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support of the school construction plans and urged members to work tirelessly to promote completion of the bond **Band Concert** Pleases Near

Capacity Crowd During the Wednesday night ation to Plattsmouth's request Mid-Winter Band Concert at for steel allotments. Plattsmouth high school, Wendell Friest was revealed as post, V.F.W. members had heard guest conductor. His trials and complete plans for construction tribulations as an orchestra of a high school addition and leader were well received by a elementary school and for re-

near capacity audience. The special appearance was school building. breakin at Greenwood on Janu- a highlight of the concert that included musical selections of a variety, pleasing to the aud-

> arity overcame musical finesse. "lost beat" was finally recovered from the satchel of one tion. Mr. Merle Stewart. The soft "klink" from a child's triangle music instrument brought peace 158 school students would go to out of the commotion.

> net solo while the band played | pointed out too that 131 kinderin the background during the garten students are already en-Director Ward Pscherer appeal- can be expected during each of

> proposed bond issue carefully and to vote for construction of new school facilities here. The concert, presented by the senior high school band under 000 for local school maintenthe direction of Mr. Pscherer, ance because of the use of culminated several weeks of in- school facilities by children of tensive rehearsals, and donon- military personnel and other

all accomplishment of band

Reckless Driving Costs Woman \$10 In County Court

Dorothy Akins of Union was fined \$10 and costs in county court Wednesday morning when she changed her plea from not guilty to guilty on a charge of

reckless driving. Complaint was filed by Nor-

When arraigned the defen-Residents of the school dist- dant had entered a not guilty rict are urged to attend the plea and was released when \$25 appearance bond was posted. She later withdrew the orig-

Patrolman LeRoy Jensen investigated the driving count.

Two Places Are 100 Percent Donors

Two Plattsmouth business places had one hundred per cent donations during the recent bloodmobile visit here.

Contributions from every employee of Plattsmouth Motors and Stites Implement Company functions to Plattsmouth and were received, according to a spokesman for Eagles lodge, sponsors of the unit here.



The wreckage pictured here once was the trailer-home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Colville and son of Cedar, Iowa. The trailer in the South Bend. Cedar was completely demolished and two members of the Colville family hospitalized when the trailer overturned on highway 34 three miles from Elmwood early Friday morning. Injured were Mrs. Colville, and two-month-old son, Chris. They were treated at a accidents at the scene while State Patrolmen and Sheriff Tom and high school addition at ed to accommodate less than Lincoln hospital. The trailer and convertible, left the road after Mitchell, a \$300,000 high school addition at ed to accommodate less than Lincoln hospital. The trailer and convertible, left the road after Mr. Colville lost control of the vehicle when it struck an icy patch the district. on the highway. - Photo by Sheriff Tom Solomon

In addition the post has already put into action part of its promotion program. Dale Bowman, service officer, revealed that a letter has been sent to the chairman of Veterans Af-fairs in Washington asking that the board of education's request for federal aid be backed, and also urging immediate consider-

modeling the present high

Begley told the Veterans group that if the building program carries at the polls February 19, current school enroll-But during Conductor Friest's ments are already sufficient to search of the "lost beat" hil- fill the added classrooms on a level recommended by the state department of public instruc-

With the added building facilities, Begley explained that the new first ward building. With one arm in a sling, Jon That number has already been Schuetz deftly mastered a cor- counted in the first ward. He During the concert, Music and that a 10 percent increase

ed to the audience to weigh the the next five years. The Veterans learned from Mr. Begley, that the federal government last year provided more than \$10,-

strated to the public the over- federal employees. Begley also explained the features of the proposed high school addition. The new facilities, Begley said, will provide better educational standards in the specialized field in high school. Included in the building will be additional homemaking facilities, a vocational agriculture department, an athletic set

up and music facilities. The V.F.W., which has called upon the high school band on numerous occasions to help it promote special functions, readily recognized the importance

of the new developments.

Leading community sponsors of teen are activities, the sponsors of Keen Time understand that providing adequate facilities for education of Plattsmouth youngsters is as important as providing the recreational activities and facilities. By its action Monday night, the V. F. W. will be on both sides. Not only will it continue its program of recreational activity, but has volunteered to promote, in every way, acceptance of the bond issue and construction of new school units for bettering the education of local children. While having their own club facilities, V.F.W. members were also interested in the public facilities offered in the proposed high school addition. It will give them greater opportunities for bringing district V.F.W. will increase the V.F.W. and

community activities here. **Hearing On Rural Fire District** Is Continued

A group of approximately 25 farmers from the Wabash and Murdock communities voted Tuesday to continued hearing on a proposal to create a rural fire district in north-central

Cass county. The farmers met with Cass county commissioners at the courthouse Tuesday afternoon to discuss the proposal. The hearing will be renewed March 4 after farmers have had an opportunity to further consider

the proposal. Under the rural fire district proposal, a unit would be set up at Murdock to serve rural areas Creek, Murdock and Wabash communities. A petition signed by more than 65 percent of the property owners in the rural