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## City, V.F.W. Join In Bicycle Program; Cycle Club To Be Organized

### Internal Tax Agents to Aid Income Filers

Again this year the Internal Revenue Service will assist taxpayers in filing their 1953 income tax returns. An Internal Revenue agent will be at Plattsmouth on two occasions during the tax season to aid taxpayers. Individuals who derive at least two-thirds of their gross income from farming should file an income tax return on or before January 31, 1954, or file a declaration of estimated tax by January 15, 1954, which will extend the filing date of their income tax return to not later than March 15.

Individuals who qualify as farmers and file their return and pay the tax on or before January 31, need not file a declaration of estimated tax. The Internal Revenue agents will be at the courthouse at Plattsmouth on January 27, 28 and 29, to assist farmers in filing their returns.

They return to the courthouse on March 4 and 5 to assist others with their March 15 deadline returns.

### Otto Liebers Will Speak at Annual Watershed Banquet

The annual meeting and banquet of the Cass Weeping Water Creeks Watershed association will be held at Weeping Water on January 21.

Featured at the annual meeting will be the address by Liebers, election of five directors, reports of the year's activity and presentation of awards to individuals for outstanding contributions to soil conservation during 1953.

### Man Pleads Not Guilty To Check Charge Tuesday

Joseph W. Schumacher pleaded not guilty in county court Tuesday to a charge of insufficient fund check. Hearing has been set for the county court room on December 21.

Schumacher was charged with issuing an insufficient fund check in the amount of \$30 to Komat's tavern on the Livestock National Bank at Omaha.

### County Offices To Close Saturdays After Holidays

Offices at the courthouse in Plattsmouth will be closed on the two Saturdays immediately following Christmas and New Years. Closing on the two days was approved by County Commissioners in session here Wednesday.

The county offices, normally open in the morning on Saturday, will close on those two mornings only. Since both Christmas and New Years fall on Friday, officers felt that it did not warrant opening for the half-day on the following Saturdays.

Bike owners in Plattsmouth will soon have the same obligation of motorists in the city, if plans of the Plattsmouth City Council and the Veterans of Foreign Wars post here materialize as planned. Details of the program were revealed at Monday night session of the city council.

During the session, Councilmen, on the recommendation of Clark Finney, considered an ordinance which would establish certain requirements for bicycles to be operated in the community. City Attorney Harold Lebens was instructed to prepare an ordinance setting out the requirements.



Clark Finney

### New Chevrolet On Show Here At Cass Motors

More power, an extension of the automatic transmission option to all cars, and design revisions to accentuate the low flowing beauty of the three body series highspot the 1954 Chevrolet.

The latest models will go on display at Cass County Motors showroom Friday, December 18. The Bel Air four-door models, one with automatic transmission, and two "Two-ten" models will be displayed by Cass Motors.

Power brakes, adding safety and driving control, are optional for the first time in the low-price field with introduction of the new models. Electric front seat and window lifts are also available.

Chassis advances cover improvement in the clutch and gearshift, a longer, deeper-toned and sound deadening muffler, nylon rear spring inserts, while 115 and 125 horsepower engines are designed for the new models.

In appearance the 1954 Chevrolets have a longer, more rugged look. Designed for a broader, lower effect, the front bumper has been curved farther around the fender. The grille, bumper guards, parking lamps and hood ornamentation have been modified, and new two-tone interiors add beauty.

Powerdrive automatic transmission is continued with modifications or improved high speed acceleration. To allow for heavy acceleration demands during warm-up, the thermostat spring in the automatic choke has been stiffened and the vacuum piston increased in diameter.

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### Lt. John Livingston Cited For Meritorious Service

Lt. John B. Livingston, US Naval Reserve, formerly of Plattsmouth has received citation "for meritorious service as a gunnery and fire control officer on board the U. S. S. McCoy Reynolds, during combat operations against the enemy North Korean and Chinese Communist Forces in the Korean Theater from May 17, 1952 to July 10, 1952."

Lt. Livingston received the citation along with a commendation ribbon with combat distinguishing device from Vice Admiral J. J. Clark, commander of the Seventh Fleet.

The citation pointed out that during the period, Lt. Livingston displayed "outstanding leadership, sound judgment and resourcefulness in directing the fire control missions of his ship."

On the occasion of the first bombardment mission by the McCoy Reynolds, Lt. Livingston realized that the installed fire control system for the five inch thirty-eight calibre battery was not adequate for delivering acceptable indirect fire. Under

### Choir Presentations, Yule Programs Are Planned

Special Christmas services, Sunday school and children's programs, and caroling will feature the Christmas week in churches at Plattsmouth and throughout Cass county. Services are scheduled in many churches starting Sunday and continuing throughout Christmas morning.

Father Joseph Tuppé has announced that confessions at Holy Rosary Catholic church will be held Wednesday afternoon and evening from 2:30 to 4:30 and from 7:30 to 9 p.m., and Thursday from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Midnight Mass at 12 p.m. Thursday will be preceded by 20 minutes of caroling. Christmas masses are scheduled for 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

At the First Presbyterian church, Christmas Vespers will be held at 4:30 Sunday by the choir while the Sunday school department will hold its annual program at 7:30 Christmas eve.

Rev. George Smith has announced the annual presentation of the choir will be held at the Christian church Sunday evening at 7:30. Christmas caroling will be conducted Monday and Tuesday nights and the annual Christmas eve program will be presented by the Sunday school at 7:45.

The choir of Immanuel Lutheran church southwest of Louisville will go caroling Sunday afternoon and the Walther Leaguers will go caroling Sunday evening. The children's program will be held at 7:30 Christmas eve.

A children's Christmas service will be held Sunday evening at St. Paul Lutheran church at Weeping Water and a program will be presented Tuesday evening at United Presbyterian church at Murray.

At Elmwood Christmas programs will be held at the Emanuel E. U. B. church at 6:30 Christmas eve, and at the Elmwood E. U. B. church at 7:45. Midnight mass will be held on

Christmas eve at St. Mary's church, and Wednesday evening the annual Christmas program will be given at the Elmwood Christian church. Young people of the Elmwood Methodist church will go caroling Sunday and a program will be presented Thursday evening.

Sunday practice will be held for the Christmas eve program to be given at the Christ Lutheran church on the Plattsmouth Louisville road. Christmas Day services will be held at the church at 10:30 a.m.

The Callahan E. U. B. church will have a church school program Christmas eve starting at eight o'clock.

An evening worship service with the choir presenting a Christmas program will be held at the First Baptist church at Union Sunday, and the Sunday school department will present the "Christmas Gift" Wednesday evening.

Practice will be held at Wesleyan Methodist church Saturday for a Tuesday evening Christmas program. Presentation will be held at the First Methodist church Sunday evening at 7:30 and the Sunday school department will present a program Christmas eve.

St. Luke's Episcopal church will have midnight services at 11 p.m. Christmas eve, and a Christmas eve program will be given at 6:30 by the Sunday school department at First Lutheran church.

Rev. Mr. George Agius announces that carol singing will be held at St. John's Catholic church at 11:30 Christmas eve until 12 when Christmas Midnight Mass will begin. The choir will sing the Mass of the Shepherds. Masses on Christmas Day will be at 9:30 and 10 a.m. The last Mass will be followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Holy Communion will be distributed at all three Masses.

### Minor Pontiac To Display New Models Friday

An entirely new line of cars—bigger, longer and more luxurious—plus an improved and newly styled line of Chevrolets for 1954 was announced today by Herb Minor of Minor Pontiac. The new models go on display at Minor's showroom on Friday, December 18.

All 1954 Pontiacs have been restyled with a new radiator grille, new silver streak, new Deluxe and Custom moldings, both interior and exterior, including the widest selection of colors and color combinations ever offered.

Mechanically the Pontiac straight eight with 71:1 compression ratio and Hydra-matic has been stepped up to 127 horsepower, equipped with a new carburetor and intake manifold, a new current and voltage regulator and a new spark plug and ignition coil mounting.

On display at Minor's Pontiac will be a Star Chief, custom 4-door; Chieftain deluxe 4-door; special 2-door, and Star Chief custom Catalina.

Optional accessories offered this year include power brakes, the comfort control front seat with a tilt-or-raise feature, automatic electric window lifts for front doors, instrument panel safety cushion, air conditioning for eight-cylinder models and improved power steering.

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### Hickory Street Vacated By City

Ordinance authorizing the city to vacate Hickory street was approved by the City Council Monday night. Vacated at the request of the Nebraska Masonic Home, Hickory street runs from 12th street to Webster Boulevard.

### John K. Durfee Fined \$100 For Drunk Driving

John K. Durfee of Omaha was judged guilty in county court Wednesday of drunken driving. Judge Raymond J. Case who pronounced sentence following the Wednesday morning hearing, fined Durfee \$100 and costs and suspended his driver's license for six months.

Durfee pleaded not guilty to the charge when arraigned before Judge Case on information filed by County Attorney Richard Peck. Sheriff Tom Solomon was the arresting officer. Durfee was represented by Attorney Walter H. Smith.

### Servicemen at Elmwood Await Yule Greetings

Elmwood residents have an opportunity to send greetings at Christmas time to a number of servicemen, whose names and addresses have been submitted for publication. Among the group are a few that are home or will be home for the holidays.

Pvt. Fred Clements arrived in Elmwood last week end for a two week leave and John Thomas had to leave this week after spending a short leave at home. Gordon Lannin is also in Elmwood at the present time.

Servicemen who would probably enjoy receiving a line at Christmas time include: Pvt. James E. Hall, US 5537-4324; 111 Co. 2D, Student Regiment, Fort Benning, Georgia.

Pvt. Marion A. Wendt, US 55375097, Student Company, 14 T. S. E. S., Camp Gordon, Ga. Clayton C. Linder, Sk.S.N. 318-98-50, I.F.D.D.G. Navy 128; Po. Box 115, % PPO, San Francisco, Calif.

Pvt. Raymond L. Kratochvil AF 17349376; 67 Maint. Sq. Box 212; APO. 970, % PM, San Francisco, Calif.

Lt. Col. Corliss E. Totman, O256800, 320th Gen. Hosp. Landstuhl, Germany, APO 180, % PM, New York.

Pvt. Robert J. Minninn, US 5540-6478, Pro. 2003, APO 872, % Gen. PM, New York.

### Freight Accident Causes Injuries To Rolland Aldrich

Rolland Aldrich escaped possible serious injury Wednesday in a freak accident while driving a tractor. Mr. Aldrich suffered minor injuries and bruises when thrown onto the tractor.

The mishap occurred as he was driving along a road here. He was thrown forward onto the tractor when a cylinder on a front end hoist snapped, dropping the scoop to the ground. When the scoop caught, he was thrown onto the front of the tractor.

After receiving treatment he was convalescing at his home here this morning.

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## Gas Company Asks Increase; To Cost Average User \$3

### Mrs. Don Wall Chairman of March of Dimes

Mrs. Don Wall has accepted appointment as chairman of the March of Dimes campaign at Plattsmouth for 1954. Mrs. Lotte Knecht of South Bend, county chairman, disclosed today.

Mrs. Wall was appointed following a chapter meeting here a week ago, when community chairmen from throughout the county met with county officers.

Coming here only two years ago from Parkio, Mo., Mrs. Wall has been active in community affairs and will head the Plattsmouth month long campaign. The drive will be conducted throughout the month of January.

Lacking club sponsor ship this year the drive will be under the direction of Mrs. Wall and local committee members associated with the county organization. The campaign will be kicked off early in January and will run throughout the month.

### Road Complaints Aired At Council Meeting Monday

Minor road repairs, required when earth from a recent gas main installation gave way, on 11th street off 4th avenue, were considered by the city council Monday night, following complaints by residents.

Recent rains had caused the excavated area to become soft and soggy.

Walt Gleason, attending the meeting, said the Gas Company is making temporary repairs to the street.

### Meter Ordinance Changes Approved By City Council

Two changes have been written into the Plattsmouth city ordinance governing parking meters. Changes were approved by the City Council Monday night.

Main change provides for "lowing in" vehicles that have failed to pay after several violations. It makes it possible for police to impound a vehicle without awaiting a 24-hour period as provided under the old ordinance. Salesmen were named as particular violators in this instance.

The ordinance also changes its reading to provide a "service charge" of up to one dollar for meter violations.

### Hutchinson Heads Plattsmouth Lodge

Les Hutchinson was recently elected master of Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6, Arrior, Free and Accepted Masons. He will be installed along with other officers in January.

Other new officers of the lodge are Maynard Range, senior warden; John Beckman, junior warden; Emil Weyrich, secretary; and Les Niel, treasurer.

### Music Program, Band Trip Are Lions Club Highlights

Musical selections by Plattsmouth High School band members, report of progress in the Oklahoma Band Wagon campaign, a detailed analysis of what the band will obtain by the Oklahoma trip; and introduction of Eagle Lions Club members featured the Plattsmouth Lions Club regular meeting Tuesday night.

Melvin D. McKenney, new member of the Lions Club, presented a number of musical selections by high school musicians for Program Chairman Harold Alkire.

### Stores Open Til 9 p. m. Here Nightly Until Christmas

Most Plattsmouth retail stores will remain open tonight and each week day night until Christmas. Stores will be open until 9 p. m.

Along with the open nights will be nightly visits from Santa Claus for kids from the surrounding area. Santa has his headquarters in the former Journal building, south side of Main street.

Stores will remain open here all day and throughout the evening until 9 p. m. They close at their regular hours on Thursday, December 24, but will be open nightly except Sunday from tonight, December 17, through December 23.

### Assessment to Pay 69 Percent Of New Sewer

Sixty-nine per cent of the South Park sewer recently completed will be paid by special assessment against the benefiting property owners, according to a tentative schedule submitted to the Plattsmouth City Council Monday night.

The tentative schedule, submitted by representatives of Henningson, Durham & Richardson, special city engineers, figured at 69 per cent on both front footage and lot methods.

His proposed assessment schedule followed action of the city council in accepting the engineer's estimate of \$36,225 with completion of the work by Sesto Construction Company. Final construction payment in the amount of \$2,923.05 was approved by the council also.

Figures submitted by the Engineer showed that total construction cost of the sanitary sewer was \$47,724.99, while total costs, including engineer's fees and other incidental costs were \$52,497.49.

On the 69 per cent figure, benefiting property owners will pay an estimated \$25,000 for the lot method of assessment, rather than front footage.

Mrs. Esther Donat, who is affiliated with Radio Station KPNE in Shenandoah, Iowa, was a guest of friends here on Monday, and attended the Junior Women's club, Christmas party, at the 40 and 8 club.

### Valley View Paving Payment Approved At Council Session

Payment for work done on the Valley View paving, discussion of discrepancies in water hydrant levels, and general discussion of the new district were considered by the city council Monday night.

Councilmen approved payment in the amount of \$16,468.78 to National Construction Company for paving in the district, though there was some question as to why the job was not completed.

Councilmen also sought the answer as to why fire hydrant meters in the district are practically all broken. They seemed some question as to who is at fault, the contractor or the engineer. The first hydrant entering the new district is barely visible. City Attorney Harold Lebens pointed out to the city fathers.

Meanwhile the city will have the situation rectified, while considering the possible reason

### ALSO CONTRIBUTED

Cass Drug was omitted from the list of contributors to the city's street lighting and decoration program for the Yule season.

