



Maynard Hobbs (with ball) controls the rebound for the faculty in the inaugural of the high school gymnasium Monday night. Pictured in action at the new gym are Kellogg (33); Derman (00); Gerald Clayburn (25); Melvin Wilson (44); Larry Pierce, partly concealed by Melvin McKenney (12); Referee Denny Ptak; Johanas (22); Merle Stewart (00); and Eugene Shields (29). On the bench are Wenterh (6); Bill Floyd and Jim Craigmile.—Journal Photo.

Faculty and Varsity Cagers Score Victories in New Plattsmouth Gymnasium Inaugural

Merle Stewart, athletic director and coach here 11 years, fired the opening basket in a regulation game in the new high school gymnasium Monday night.

Stewart's two-pointer started the high school faculty en route to a 38-37 win over Korshoj Construction Company in the curtain raiser of a double-header cage program to open the new building.

In the second game, Lyle Wood, Byron Finnerock and Jim Jacques collaborated to lead the varsity to a 57-46 win over the Alumni in the first Plattsmouth basketball crowd watched.

Though the crowd was average, it looked small in the immense new structure. An estimated 300 viewed the games Monday night.

Stewart with 11 points, Gerald Clayburn with 9 and Bill Floyd with 8 led the faculty team. Larry Pierce gunned the construction crew with 19 points.

The faculty jumped into an 8-4 first quarter margin, led at halftime 21-10 and was in front 32-26 before the "extra weight" began to tell. James Craigmile, Melvin McKenney, Eugene Shields and Maynard Hobbs completed the faculty squad.

Along with Pierce, the contractors used Melvin Wilson from the school, plus Johanas, Kellogg, Ruderman and Wenterh. Kellogg had 8 points.

Sixteen varsity cagers saw action for the Blue Devils as they became torrid in the final quarter to move away from the Alumni quintet.

The Varsity held a slim 12-9 margin after one period but trailed 20-21 at halftime. The count was knotted 36-36 at the three quarter mark. A 21-point final period pulled the game out of the fire.

Lyle Wood led varsity cagers with 14 points, while Byron Finnerock and Jim Jacques each added 11. Denny Ptak, who with Jacques, refereed the first game, had 8; Jon Schuetz had 5; Terry Britt, 4; Stuart Nielsen added 1; Eugene Dasher had one and Larry Pierce hit 2. Also seeing action with the varsity were Jim Graves, Dan Huebner, Grover Cundall, Don Rhoades, Ed Eggenberger, Denny Hirz.

Dick Huebner fired the Alumni quintet with 12 points. Carl Cole added 8, Stanley Cole and Jack Todd each had 6. DeWayne Neill contributed 3, John Blotz had 1; Cliff Kennell hit 2; Bob Trisch had 7; and Dick Beverage 1. Tom Conis failed to score.

The Monday night games was the only opportunity for senior high school students to complete their careers in the cage sport on the new floor. They'll return in future years as members of the Alumni.

Eagle Opens Ball Season With 15-2 Win

Baseball replaces track in the sports program at Eagle high school this spring. Coach Bill Reese disclosed during a visit in Plattsmouth Wednesday with County Government Day students from Eagle.

The Golden Eagles, behind the one-hit pitching of Burt Stubbs, opened the season with a 15-2 win over Alvo. Catcher Ernie Horton provided the big bat as Eagle jumped into an early lead and scored in every frame of the seven-inning opener. The lone hit off Stubbs came in the third inning.

Stubbs had trouble only in the third and fourth frames when Alvo scored its two runs. A two base error let in the third inning tally, while two bases on ball set the stage for the fourth frame marker. Stubbs had good support in the field.

Meanwhile the Golden Eagles were putting together six hits, a number of walks from Alvo hurler Dick Clark as they scored five times in the first, added two more in the second and two in the third to lead 9-1.

Leading candidates among the 18 reporting to Coach Reese for baseball are Bob Walker and Ernie Horton, catchers; Stubbs and Ralph McCulloch, pitchers; Dick Meyers, first base; Larry Walberg, short stop; Keith Ayers, second base; Lowell Umland, third base; Darrell Ostrander, centerfield; Joe Ayers, left field, and Arnold Schroeder, right field.

The Golden Eagles will be host to Palmyra on April 22, will play Lincoln Northeast April 27 and Lincoln Central reserves, April 30; are scheduled to meet Murdock May 4; and will play a return game with Lincoln Reserves May 7 in Lincoln.

Junior Class Will Present Play April 21

"No More Homework" is a three-act comedy to be presented on April 21 by the Junior class at Plattsmouth high school.

The play is scheduled for 8 p. m. in the new high school auditorium next Wednesday. Reserve tickets are on sale now at Cass Drug or may be purchased from a member of the Junior class.

The play will be under the direction of Truman Lyle.

Members of the cast are Ann Smith, Sally Quinnett, Gail Peterson, Michael Shellenbarger, Elwood Johnson, Marion Hild, Hazel Gold, Bob Carr, Carolyn Robinson, Marlene Wetenkamp, Jay Dee Druicker, Sharon Fleischman, Roger Hild, Margaret Svoboda, Dean Dunham, Phyllis Tritsch and Douglas Reno.

Barberry Bush Eradication Is Promoted

A barberry display in the window at Lugsch Cleaners is a part of a State and Federal cooperative project to eradicate all common barberry bushes.

Common barberries are condemned as a public nuisance and are eradicated in 18 grain-growing states because they carry the black stem rust, most destructive disease of wheat, oats, barley and rye.

Henry E. Hahnhalt, agent for the United States Department of Agriculture explained that 3,200 barberry bushes have been found on 66 different properties.

The rust-spreading barberry is an erect shrub, often six to eight feet high. It has oval leaves with saw tooth edges. The bush is thorny, usually three thornes in each group and small over, red berries.

Home owners who believe they have rust-spreading barberries on their property are advised to send a twig to the Cass County Extension Agent Clarence Schmadeke, for testing.

The Japanese barberry, often used as an ornamental plant, does not spread rust and can be planted or retained wherever desired.

Drummers Fun Day Ducats Are Moving Slowly

An advance ticket sale check Wednesday indicates that approximately 200 tickets for the Drummers Day Fun program of the King Korn Klub have been sold. Orville Nielsen, ticket chairman, disclosed today.

Nielsen said approximately half of the local merchants with tickets for sale were contacted to determine the approximate number of tickets sold. Those contacted indicated that 100 have been sold and collected for. Assuming the same average for the remaining businessmen, the number would be near 200.

Nielsen also explained that at least another 100 have been promised to the merchants included in the survey, so the probable number to be sold for the event would be near 500.

The check showed that many merchants had delayed sale of the tickets because it seemed too early. As of today, they have but two weeks in which to wind up ticket sales. Sale of tickets is to end May 1 with the event scheduled for May 6.

Nielsen explained that booklets of four and six tickets are available.

Increase Noted In Job Hunting; Twenty Placed

A marked increase in job seeks was evident at the end of the first quarter of the year over the same date last year, according to Glenn Noble, area manager for the Nebraska State Employment Service.

Noble explains that 595 were seeking jobs on April 1, compared to 421 a year ago. Among the group were 76 men and 31 women in Cass county.

During visits at Plattsmouth, the Nebraska Employment Service representative filled 20 jobs, received 51 openings and directed 26 persons to job openings during the month of March. Jerry Watson is currently in charge of the office at Plattsmouth.

Labor demand was down nearly half from the same time a year ago, while jobs filled dropped more than 25 percent.

At Plattsmouth 11 new applications for work were received and 275 visits to the office were recorded.

Lions Nominations Are Due Tuesday

Nominations of new officers will be presented Tuesday night to the Plattsmouth Lions Club. Nominations are for both the club and the Recreation Corporation.

Elections will be held at the Lions first meeting in May.

Expenses For Fire Training Schools Okayed

City councilmen have approved a \$50 appropriation for expenses of a dozen volunteer firemen to attend special training sessions during May.

The funds were appropriated at the request of Fire Chief Sam Arn, in lieu of the usual expense money allowed for the three-day state convention.

Arn explained that six firemen will attend each of two training sessions at Beatrice and North Bend.

Nehawka Takes Ten Events on Way to Triangular Track Win

Registering ten first places out of 13 events, Nehawka swept well ahead of Elmwood and Union in a triangular meet at Nehawka Tuesday afternoon.

Ray Mayfield, Howard Gansemer and Tom Johnson were all double winners for the Indians. Nehawka tallied 78 1/3 points, Elmwood had 35 5/6 and Union finished with 25 5/6.

Top performances included Gansemer's 12 in the 100-yard low hurdles and his .088 win in the high sticks. Johnson heaved the shot 43 feet 5 inches for Nehawka and won the vault at 10 feet 2 inches. Dale Draper tossed the discus 117 feet 6 inches for Union and Ronnie Irons posted a 2:18 half mile for Elmwood. Bill Mehrens set an individual record time in the quarter mile with a :56.4.

Track Events

100-yard dash — Won by Mayfield (N); second Hal (E) and Drake (U), tie; fourth Lewis (N). Time :11.

220-yard dash — Won by Mayfield (N); second Lewis (N); third Draper (U); fourth Hal (E). Time :25.7.

440-yard dash — Won by Mehrens (N); second Attebery (U); third Cook (N). Time :56.4.

880-yard run — Won by Irons (E); second Ned Snyder (N); third Sabs (N) fourth Turner (U). Time 2:18.4.

1 mile — Won by Vogt (E); second Schacht (U); third Kunz (E); fourth Roddy (U). Time 5:13.

880-yard relay — Won by Nehawka (Gansemer, Meyers, Mayfield and Lewis); second Elmwood; third Union. Time 4:55. New team record for Nehawka.

100-yard low hurdles — Won by Gansemer (N); second Johnson (N); third Hathaway (U); fourth Backemeyer (E). Time :12.

60-yard high hurdles — Won by Gansemer (N); second Johnson (N); third Hathaway (U); fourth Backemeyer (E). Time :08.8.

Field Events

Shot put — Won by Johnson (N); second Drake (E); third Kunz (E); fourth Hathaway (U). Distance 43 feet 5 inches.

Discus — Won by Draper (U); second Johnson (N); third Thomas (E); fourth Drake (E). Distance 117 feet 6 inches.

Broad jump — Tie for first between Meyer (N), Irons (E) and Hathaway (U); fourth Thomas (E). Distance 16 feet 7 inches.

High jump — Won by Jed Snyder (N); second Mayfield (N); tie for third and fourth between Ned Snyder (N), Attebery (U) and Hathaway (U). Height 5 feet 3 inches.

Pole vault — Won by Johnson (N); second and third place tie between Ned and Jed Snyder (N); fourth place tie between Mayfield and Mather (N). Height 10 feet 2 inches.

No Objectors to Valley View Water Main Assessments

Assessments for construction and extension of city water mains to Valley View were approved by the city council Monday night. No objections were filed to the assessments as the council met as a board of equalization.

The council approved the assessments amounting to \$137 for each 44 foot lot.

Fleet Liability, Comprehensive Insurance Voted

A liability and comprehensive insurance plan for all city vehicles was approved by the city council Monday night to First Realty Company of Plattsmouth.

The fleet policy, taken out a year ago and extended this year, covers all city owned vehicles and private autos used in city business.

Effie Maggard Asks Divorce

Effie Maggard filed petition in district court this morning, Thursday, for divorce from Perry G. Maggard. Her petition charges extreme cruelty and abandonment.

She asks for custody of their one minor child, support and alimony and a property settlement.

The couple was married June 30, 1948, at Plattsmouth.

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Decorating For Centennial Is Considered

Directors of the King Korn Klub have voted to contact all Plattsmouth businessmen to determine arrangements for an intended Centennial street decorating program.

They met with George Schneider, Minneapolis decorator, this morning, Thursday, to consider the decorating proposal.

Meeting at the Chamber of Commerce office, the directors decided to contact all businessmen and arrange for decorating the streets and store fronts for the Centennial Korn Carnival celebration in September.

Schneider completed arrangements in Nebraska City Wednesday to handle the Otoe communities' decorating program.

Attending the directors' meeting were John Soennicksen, Orville Nielsen, Joe Zastera, Harold Lebens, George Smith, N. W. McKee, Mike Typer and F. I. Rea.

Request to Vacate Street Referred To Committee

A request of adjacent property owners to vacate a part of Walnut street has been referred to the Streets, Alleys and Bridges committee of the City Council for report at the next council meeting.

James B. Rishel, Mary I. Rishel, Wm. F. Molek and Dorothy R. Molek petitioned the city council for vacating the street between blocks 7 and 8 west of 16th street.

Three Liquor Licenses OK'd; One Rejected

City Councilmen voted 3-1 Monday night in approving a liquor license for Don McLaughlin at 401 Main street, following nearly an hour-long debate.

At the same time the council rejected an application of John Hobscheidt for a license in the Hotel Bar location on Sixth street.

B. H. G. Eiting, chairman of the license committee, cast the negative vote as McLaughlin's application was approved. McLaughlin proposes to start a bar in the former Bates Book Store building, corner of 4th and Main streets.

As head of the license committee, Eiting declined to recommend a license for McLaughlin, after the committee report had been submitted to the council. Sam Arn, Howard Hirz and Clark Pinney favored awarding him the license.

In view of the council's stand against authorizing any additional liquor licenses here, the application of Hobscheidt was rejected.

Councilmen on the recommendation of the committee also authorized licenses for Ralph Timm and Cass Bar (Earl Alexander).

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Court House

Everett Leo McKee, 33, of Omaha, and Bernice Antonette Schunk, 21, of Omaha were issued a license for marriage in county court Monday.

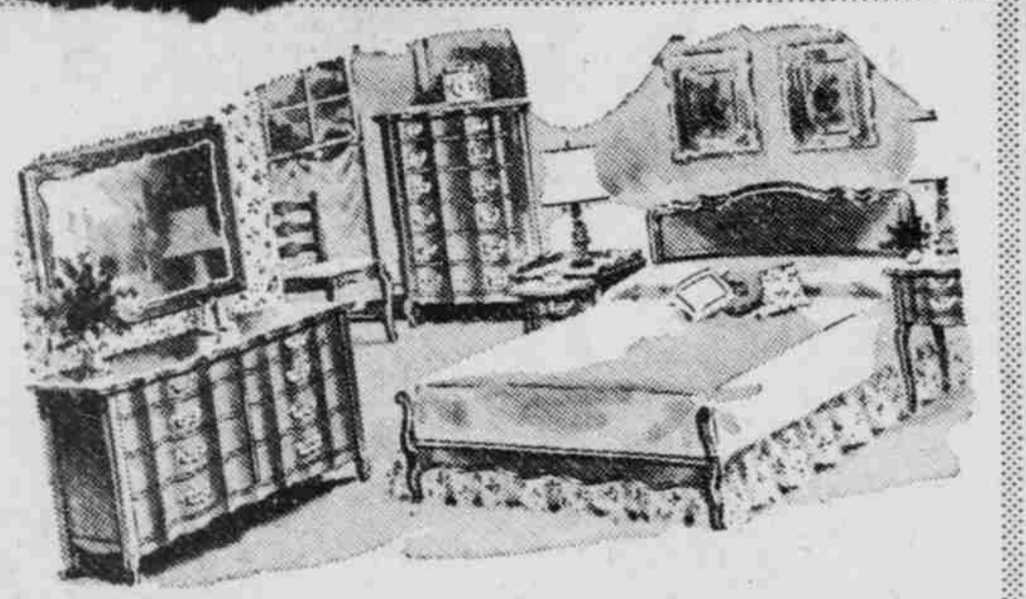
Jerry D. Regelan pleaded guilty by waiver to a charge of speeding and paid a fine of \$21 and costs to county court.

Francis W. Fulton was fined \$10 and costs when arraigned in county court on a charge of fictitious license plates.

Rollan W. P. Stukenholtz was fined \$10 and costs in county court when arraigned on a charge of speeding.

SALE CONFIRMED

An ordinance, approving sale off the city's lots on Sixth street to A. W. Clouid, was approved by the city council Monday night. Clouid has bid \$550 for the lots.



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