

EDITORIALS

Furse's Fresh Flashes

POLIO HITS HARD AGAIN

The latest reports on the incidence of polio this year are discouraging. The number of cases reported so far in 1954 is running about twenty-four per cent above the average for the last five years.

It is true that last year's total was slightly higher, but the total in 1954 is definitely far above the average. This is occurring despite the use of two vaccines.

The new Salk vaccine, which some hope will provide the permanent answer to polio, was given to only about four per cent of the nation's children in the first three grades of school, and therefore, its beneficial effects will be very limited in 1954.

The use of Gamma Globulin, the only preventive against paralytic polio now generally available, has been more widespread but its supply is also limited. About 2,000,000 doses were available this year—about twice as many as were available in 1953.

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CURING THE COMMON COLD

Syracuse University researchers recently announced they had found aspirin compounds to be as effective as penicillin in combating the common cold. The researchers, after two years of study, said penicillin treatments were "no better than an aspirin compound."

Researchers at Syracuse used some 3,000 students in their tests, and about one-third of them were treated with penicillin for colds, respiratory ailments and sore throats, and results were closely observed.

Final results, according to the report, showed that penicillin cured students no more rapidly than did those receiving aspirin, although it was admitted penicillin showed high effectiveness against certain other diseases. It was definitely determined, however, that penicillin will "not harm" the cold virus.

It was also found that it would not cure sore throat, or non-specific upper respiratory infections. Thus, those who are visiting their doctor each time they encounter a cold, and perhaps paying a nice fee for a shot of penicillin, would do well to substitute an aspirin compound, which they can take with a glass of water, at much less inconvenience and expense.

FRANCE TO DEBATE E. D. C.

The announcement from Paris that France would at last debate the European Defense Community treaty on August 24th was welcome news in the United States. Premier Mendes-France says he will discuss the treaty and possible qualifications with the foreign ministers of other powers concerned on the eve of the debate in the National Assembly.

At present, only France and Italy have failed to ratify E. D. C. and the United States has warned France that, unless action is taken soon, it would proceed with independent action designed to re-arm West Germany.

Reports from France indicate there is

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

We never deceive for a good purpose.
Knavery always adds malice to falsehood.
—Jean de la Bruyere

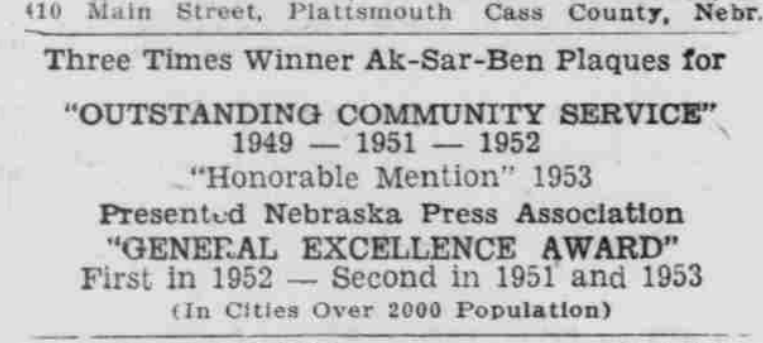
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Flipper Fanny, our dainty little contour twister, is worried sick these days. Her voice is changing — from "No" to "Yes."

Love makes the world go around— with a worried expression.

Money isn't everything. There's other things, for instance stocks, bonds, letters of credit, mortgages, traveler's checks, Savings, Bonds, and a hard working father.

G. W. Ault over at Cedar Creek, Cass County's chief dog raiser, says it's an expensive hobby. It isn't the birth cost, it's the pup keep.

We've got a kid that can spot the make of a car at a glance, but, as for us, we can't even tell what the Missus has put in the casserole.

Before this split-level house craze began, a fellow kept it to himself if he lived over a garage.

Poverty is that state of mind induced by your neighbor's new car.

We've found that if at first we don't succeed, we're running about average.

still considerable opposition to E. D. C. in that country, and there is no assurance that the treaty will clear all the obstacles to become law in France. The encouraging thing, however, is that the French will decide, once and for all — whether they will join the European Defense Community treaty.

Since the debate in the French National Assembly will come this month, the United States will not have long to wait.

Down Memory Lane

10 YEARS AGO

The board of county commissioners for Cass County has set a mill levy of 3.56 mills for the fiscal year to raise approximately \$140,000. Levies are general, 1.10; bridge, 1.76; emergency bridge, .20; roads, 1.40. The levy is slightly under the 3.64 asked for a year ago. Heavy demands have caused seafood and pork cuts to be returned to the ration list. W. R. Holly, Walter Wunderlich, Charles Atebery, Ben Schreiber, Fred Lugsch and Fred Herbst have been named delegates to the annual convention of the 40 & 8 at Omaha. Twenty cars on a Missouri Pacific extra freight were derailed in the vicinity of Mynard. The accident was caused when a beam fell from one of the cars onto the tracks. Tom Brizendine has been awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement. Brizendine is a pilot of a B-24 and has had 100 missions over Europe. John W. Lorenz has been promoted to first class private in the Army Air Force.

20 YEARS AGO

Mrs. Karl Schneider has been sworn in as postmistress of the Elmwood post office succeeding Orley Clements. Mildred Lucille Byers and Charles Edward Jewett were married at Plattsmouth August 3. A beer-price war is brewing locally as one operator launched a retail trade program selling twenty-six ounce glasses for one dime. The Ted Harms store at Manley lost several hundred dollars in merchandise in an early morning theft at the store. Apparently a truck was used to cart off the goods. Cass County farmers have been urged to prepare trench silos and to cut their corn for fodder. A check of some of the county's best fields shows many large ears but with only a few kernels of corn on each. The marriage of Miss Hallie Marie Griffin and Lester R. Schoemaker was solemnized at Union on August 1. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Griffin and the groom is the son of Mrs. Edward Schoemaker.

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

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DREW PEARSON SAYS:
U. S. ARMY SUSPECTED OTTO JOHN IN 1949; BUT CIA CHAMPIONED SECURITY CHIEF; DAFFY DIALECTS DISTURB SOLO.

WASHINGTON—The inside story of Dr. Otto John, West Germany's onetime security chief, and why he deserted to the Russians can now be told.

The truth is that he has long been a double agent, had worked for two countries at the same time. Furthermore, the U. S. Army suspected it and was trailing him during his recent visit in the United States. That was one reason John hopped to East Germany when he did.

Had more care and coordination been exercised regarding Dr. John's past, this important psychological victory for the Communists would not have been scored and priceless West Europe defense secrets lost.

For the story of Dr. John goes back



"...and if you don't okay my loan I may be tempted by one of the isms."

Capitol News

By Melvin Paul
Statehouse Correspondent
The Nebraska Press Association

LINCOLN — Nebraskans this week were still evaluating the primary election results to learn why the winners triumphed and where the losers stumbled.

The smashing victory of Congressman Carl Curtis of Minden in what had been tabbed as a close race for the six year term in the U. S. Senate brought probably the most "grandstand quarterbacking."

Curtis captured 40 per cent of the Republican vote, sweeping 66 counties in every area of the state. He took 3 for every 2 votes won by his closest opponent, Gov. Robert Crosby, State Sen. Terry Carpenter of Scottsbluff, feared by the party regulars throughout the campaign, came in a poor third, trailed by ex-state chairman David Martin of Kearney who barely got off the ground.

from the tidal area of South Carolina.

Here is a summary of what economists think the new farm bill will do to farm economy around the nation. In general they expect that the staple crop which will take the worst beating will be wheat.

Cotton is expected to stay around 90 per cent of parity in the near future; corn also will not be affected drastically, should remain at about 85 to 87 per cent of parity.

Wheat, on the other hand, is expected to go down to the bottom of the new price support bill, namely to 82 1/2 per cent of parity. Wheat farmers will take their worst beating, however, on wheat acreage cuts. This is bound to have a drastic effect upon the economy of the big wheat states such as Montana and North Dakota.

Already wheat acreage in Montana has been cut 24 per cent under the wheat allotment program, and will be cut another 14 per cent next year. This means a total cut of around 40 per cent in Montana and will take a big slice out of the state's prosperity.

Economists fear that as a result of the new farm bill the farm implement manufacturers may be in for more trouble. Their production went down about 50 per cent last year, but recently has been on the way up again.

Another economic factor noted in the farm bill has been a shift of farm bank accounts from cash to savings account. In brief, farmers, whether justified or not, are tightening their belts, getting ready for hard times.

Democratic Revolt?

One of the more interesting occurrences of the election was the capture of the Democratic gubernatorial nomination by William Ritchie, Omaha attorney. The elderly candidate had charged that the Democratic state party leadership was against him and that the "high command" had run Pat Heaton, Sidney attorney, in an effort to beat Ritchie.

Ritchie wasted no time after the election in letting it be known that he intended to have something to say about party leadership. This will probably include naming the new state party chairman. The present chairman, William Meier of Minden, is the successful candidate for the short term in the U. S. Senate. (Meier will oppose Republican Mrs. George S. Abel, Sr., of Lincoln, who swept a field of 16 to win a convincing victory).

The fight will probably come out in the open at the Democratic Post-Primary Convention at Hastings September 2 where party leaders will be chosen. Ritchie may be able to capitalize

What happened?

Like most election victories, there seemed to be a combination of factors.

1. Undoubtedly a leading cause proved to be voter resentment against Gov. Crosby because of his part in the state tax assessment equalization effort of last year. With the state board of equalization meeting only a few days before election this year, any voters who had forgotten were given a fresh reminder of what action at the state level could do to their real estate taxes. This was the calculated risk Crosby took in running and it did not pay off.

2. Curtis started off with a "nest egg" of votes in the First Congressional District which he had represented for 16 years. All 26 counties in this district stretching across the southern part of the state stayed with Curtis.

3. The support of the more conservative faction in the Nebraska Republican party. Just how much influence the late Sen. Hugh Butler played cannot be known. The help given Curtis by the majority of Butler's supporters even after his death undoubtedly aided him to victory.

Whether the defeat of Crosby, who had had support from the pro-Eisenhower elements of the party, meant a repudiation of the less conservative wing of the party was not clear.

That's because Phil Weaver, Falls City automobile dealer and a strong Eisenhower supporter, won a convincing victory in his first stab at public office. He captured the First District Congressional nomination on the GO ticket, trouncing in all 26 counties a strong, experienced opponent, Ira Beynon of Lincoln.

But again there was the undoubted fact that Weaver benefited from other factors. Particularly, he may have gained many votes because of the prestige of the Weaver name, made famous by the successful candidate's father, the late Gov. A. J. Weaver.

Two Republican congressmen, Robert Harrison of Norfolk in the Third District, and A. L. Miller of Kimball in the Fourth District, won re-nomination handily.

Curtis will face former Gov. Keith Neville of North Platte in the general election Weaver will oppose Frank Morrison of McCook; Harrison will be matched with Ernest Luther, Hooper cattle feeder; and Miller will be paired with Carlton Laird, Scottsbluff attorney.

In the Second Congressional District Republican Jackson Chase and Democrat James Hart, both Omahans, were running without opposition.

A top race in the November election will be the four year Senate term contest — Sen. Butler's unexpired term — between Congressman Roman Hruska of Omaha and James Green, Omaha Democrat. Both were nominated by their party central committees after Butler's death.

LEGAL NOTICES

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Council Chamber, City Hall

Monday, July 26, 1954

The City Council met in regular session at 8:15 p.m. Present Mayor Leo R. Meisinger, Councilmen B. H. G. Eiting, H. F. Hirz, Clark Finney and Vernon T. Arn, and City Clerk, Albert Olson. Absent none.

Minutes of last regular and special meetings read and approved.

Motion by Eiting that petition of George Bax and others to open 7th Avenue from 1st Street to 3rd Street be investigated by the entire Council seconded by Hirz and carried.

Motion by Arn that request of Leo Eledge to inspect condition of an abandoned reservoir located near 3rd Street and 7th Avenue be investigated, seconded by Eiting and carried.

Petition of Howard Kennell to vacate the north half of the north and south alley in Block 27 Young & Hays Addition read. Motion by Finney request be granted and an ordinance be prepared for such action seconded by Hirz carried on roll call. All members voting Yea.

Petition signed by Wm. H. Ote and 8 others to create an alley improvement district for paving the alley in Block 97 was read. Moved by Hirz that petition be accepted and referred to Attorney Lebens to check the records in the office of the Register of Deeds as to property owners and that an ordinance be prepared creating such improvement district. Motion seconded by Finney and carried on roll call. All members voting Yea.

Motion by Hirz that request of Roy Ronne to make excavation in 3rd Avenue for sanitary sewer service to his property be granted subject to requirements seconded by Eiting and carried.

Motion by Hirz that request of Natkin & Company to make excavation in Avenue A for sanitary sewer service to Lot 3 in Block 20 be granted subject to requirements seconded by Eiting

and carried.

Request of Fred Vincent to install guard railings along the east side of First Street was referred to the Streets, Alleys & Bridges Committee.

Claims as listed on the following funds were read. Motion by Arn that same be allowed was seconded by Hirz and carried on roll call. All members voting Yea.

General Fund
Mrs. George Miller, Rest room attendant \$ 6.00
Plattsmouth Journal, Printing & supplies 25.44
Clink's Cafe, Meals to prisoners 5.30

Road Fund
Elmer Goehnoeur, Salary, 1/2 mo. \$162.50
Robert Beins, Street work 106.40
Roy Crawford, Street work 61.60
Doyle Foster, Street work 136.30
Norman Kellison, Street work 86.30
Martin Sheldon, Street work 106.40
Anderson Equipment Co., Supplies 9.50
Lynman-Richey Sand & Gravel Corp., Sand 16.80
T. S. McShane Co., Repair work 5.52
Schaic Welding & Repair Shop, Repairs 20.00
Anderson Fire Equipment Co., Extinguisher 27.50
Plattsmouth Lumber Co., Cement & sup. 70.89

Business Tax Fund
Norman Kellison, Street work \$ 50.00
W. R. Herring, Re-wiring for traffic signal 18.50

Fire Department Fund
Anderson Fire Equip. Co., Supplies \$ 8.90

Gasoline Tax Fund
John Altshoff, Bulldozer work \$ 60.00

General Sewer Fund
Anderson Equipment Co., Pump rental \$ 12.00
O. W. Finney, Sewer work 30.00
Sanitary Sewer Dist. No. 5 Plattsmouth State Bank, Int. on reg. warrants \$ 30.00
Sanitary Sewer Dist. No. 6 Plattsmouth State Bank, Int. on reg. warrants \$ 60.00
Reports of the Police Judge were read and placed on file.

Field Supervisor's report and reports of service men for two weeks on condition and operation of parking meters read and motion of Hirz seconded by Arn same be accepted carried.

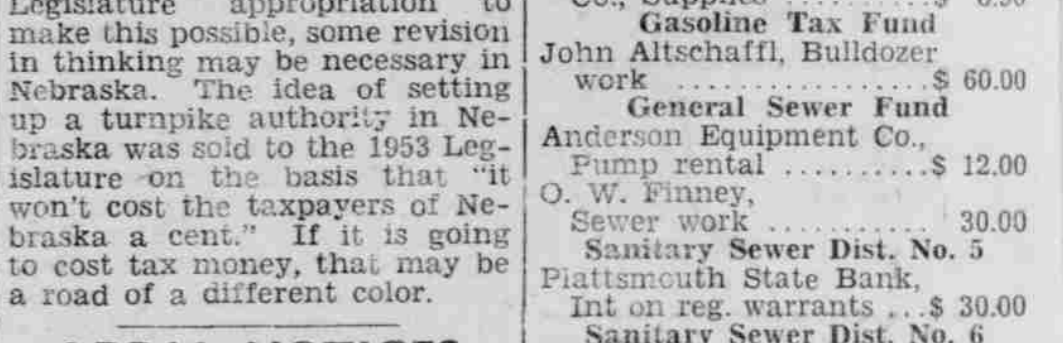
Moved by Arn that Harold Lebens be retained as special attorney for the city for all legal matters of the city for the next 30 days. Motion seconded by Finney and on roll call Hirz, Finney and Arn voted Yea, Eiting passed.

Moved by Arn that Dick March be paid a salary of \$160.00 per month as parking meter man same to be paid out of the Parking Meter fund. Motion seconded by Finney and on roll call Hirz, Finney and Arn voted Yea, Eiting voted Nay.

On motion the meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Attest:
ALBERT OLSON
City Clerk
No. 2611—August 16, 1954

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YIELD THE RIGHT OF WAY TO OTHER DRIVERS—TO PEDESTRIANS



What's wrong, Mr. Tiller? You look sad! I AM! I JUST REALIZED I'M GETTING OLD! I SAW A PRETTY GIRL TODAY AND TRIED TO WHISTLE AT HER! WHEN I INHALED TO BLOW MY WHEEZE WAS LOUDER THAN MY WHISTLE!