

EDITORIALS

NEED FOR HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Displays in the business windows of Plattsmouth during the past week of Korn Karnival, certainly bears out the contention of the Cass County Historical Society that the need for a historical museum exists here.

Throughout the business section can be seen hundreds of articles of historical value, all of which should be preserved. From past experience, we know that a good share of the owners of these articles would be happy to place them on loan for all to see if proper and adequate facilities were provided for care and preservation.

Shown in Plattsmouth's business windows are only a small share of the thousands of antiques, relics and historical documents. Throughout the county are hundreds of articles, many deteriorating, that would make for a museum second to none, preserving these pieces of incalculable value for future generations.

We doubt that it would take very long to raise ample funds for a suitable building. We personally know of several men and women of the community who have offered \$1,000 and up each for a county museum. We know there are many others that will contribute in smaller amounts. The problem of raising the necessary funds seems to us to be of minute proportions. Biggest problem of all is securing the proper building.

There is but one place in Plattsmouth suited both in location and historically for this museum. That is the old library building at the corner of Avenue A and Fourth street opposite the courthouse. This building in itself is steeped in Cass County history. Its construction is such that little remodeling would be necessary to house these museum pieces. There is ample room on the lots for expansion in future years if needed. It can be lighted and heated from the courthouse plant.

We are certain if the owners of this building were given the opportunity to furnish housing for the museum they would be willing to put a price on it. If they were told the full story of what a museum would mean to future generations, of what a great contribution they would be making not only to the city, but to all the county, and the resulting goodwill they would create from their willingness to part with it, we cannot believe the owners would refuse to sell.

It would be a great memorial for one of Cass County's most prominent and outstanding pioneer families.

GERMAN MILITARISM

A rather surprising report from Berlin recently informs us that at least a dozen German factories are busily turning out iron crosses. The iron crosses and the red, white, and black ribbons which accompany them, are now banned by the Allies — as are all other Nazi medals.

The new iron crosses, however, have the swastika removed, the replacement being a four-point oak leaf.

The activity being shown in manufacturing new medals is an indication of German militarism, and the extent to which many Germans prize medals for military service. In the United States, many veterans have not even saved their medals, and will never wear them again. Only those still in uniform, who earned medals in the war, wear them upon occasions in this country, as a general rule.

In many European countries, and especially in Germany, military medals are worn at every opportunity. It is reported reliably that the West German Government is confidently awaiting a lifting of the present Allied ban on war medals.

It is also reported that Nazi medals, given for "conquest," will not be ruled

THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Everything is dangerous to him that is afraid of it.
—Benjamin Massinger

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Furse's Fresh Flashes

Flipper Fanny, our dainty little contour twister, tells us she used to be crazy about all-day suckers. Now she just wants one for the evening.

A wolf, a local gal tells us, is a guy that you can't trust too far or too near.

A hardware clerk here wound up with a black eye after a beautiful little brunette walked in the other day and asked for a "little oven."

A super salesman can make you believe you have longed all your life for something you never heard of before.

Ever notice how many people start giving yousters advice as soon as they are too old to set a bad example themselves?

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wearable. These medals, or emblems, are those for invasions and other ruthless aggressions of the Nazis.

It seems that the four most popular medals given under the Nazis, the iron cross, second and first class, the knight's cross to the iron cross, and the German cross in gold, will soon be proudly displayed again in Germany. The love of military tradition, pride in soldiery, and the fact that the Germans were beaten and only have their medals in the way of results, causes much interest in military awards in West Germany. Even taking this into consideration, the news that twelve factories are already manufacturing iron crosses is a surprising indication of the martial spirit now running through West Germany.

Down Memory Lane

10 YEARS AGO

Plattsmouth Rotarians attending an intercity meeting in Glenwood included Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bernhardt, Mr. and Mrs. Clem Woster, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Caldwell and Orville Nielsen. Commissioners Henry Backmeier, G. W. Hart and Sam Gilmour were out in the county looking over a number of bridges washed out in heavy storms during the summer. Eldon Vroman, stationed at Otis Field, Mass., experienced a hurricane that swept the Atlantic coast from Florida to Maine. Lieut. John D. Hoschar and Helen Arnold were married in Macon, Ga.

20 YEARS AGO

Attending the county meeting of federated women's clubs were Mrs. Herman L. Thomas, Mrs. Robert Reed, Lillian White, Genevieve Whelan, Mrs. L. W. Eggenberger, Alpha Peterson, Mrs. Philip Hirz, Mrs. Gilbert Hertz and Marie Kaufmann. Present at an old-fashioned party at the P. T. Heineman home are Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Devoe, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Minor, Mr. and Mrs. Searl S. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Tidball, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Perry, Mr. and Mrs. Rea F. Patterson.

The Washington Merry-Go-Round

DREW PEARSON SAYS: VALUE OF DIXON-YATES PROBE WILL DEPEND ON WHO UNDERTAKES IT; WASHINGTON HASN'T SEEN THOROUGH UTILITY PROBE FOR MANY YEARS; MYSTERY MAN GRUNEWALD GAVE \$13,000 TO DEWEY'S CAMPAIGN.

WASHINGTON — It's been a long time since the nation's capital saw a real, honest-to-goodness rock-bottom probe of the biggest lobby in Washington, namely the Public Utility lobby, which, according to the official records filed in the House of Representatives, spends more than any other pressure group. However, as a result of the Dixon-Yates deal, such a probe is now being discussed.

Two members of Congress would like to conduct it. They are: Sen. William Langer of North Dakota, nominal Republican, and Congressman Sterling Cole of New York, 100 per cent Republican. Senator Langer, who is head of the Senate Judiciary Committee, has already tried to stage an investigation. He persuaded Sidney Davis, former assistant to Justice Hugo Black, to leave a lucrative law practice in New York and undertake a monopoly investigation.

But from that point on, Langer found himself stymied. Senator Jenner of Indiana who, as chairman of the Rules Committee, controls the purse strings of all Senate in-



"Do you hear bells ringing all the time?"

vestigations, would not let Langer have a red cent to probe the utilities or any monopoly. Davis ended up paying his own expenses, and even those of witnesses. Senator Langer finally decided to take three big law cases in order to finance his investigation.

Friend of Utilities The other solon, Congressman Sterling Cole, who would like to probe the Dixon-Yates utility situation, is chairman of the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy and already has a certain amount of investigative money at his disposal. However, he smiles so benignly on the big utility-atomic combines that any probe conducted by him would mean little.

Congressman Cole even tried to wipe out the Eisenhower proposal to let all private companies share in a five-year pool of new atomic patents. The original Eisenhower atomic bill provided for such a pool because some big companies which have been favored by the Atomic Energy Commission have the inside track on new Atomic patents, and it was considered only fair to let less-favored companies have a chance to catch up.

Democratic leaders amended the bill in the Senate to make it a ten-year instead of a five-year pool, but when the bill got back to the House, Congressman Cole knocked out the patent pool altogether — despite pleas of fellow Republican Senator Hickenlooper of Iowa to stand by the Eisenhower program.

The debate illustrated how far Cole leans over on the side of the big atomic-power combines. A lot of people wondered why, and the answer may be the explanation. Cole's Background Mrs. Cole, the former Dorothy Thomas, is the daughter of the secretary of the Corning Glass Company of Corning, N. Y. Cole is also a great friend of Amory Houghton, chairman of Corning Glass, Houghton and the Corning Glass crowd are Cole's best backers.

Corning Glass, in turn, manufactures glass tubes for General Electric, has close ties with G. E. and General Electric, of course, is one of the biggest companies already having a foot in the atomic-energy industrial door and wanting to get in further. It is among the companies which might not wish to pool its atomic patents with other companies.

Congressman Cole has announced that he will probe the Dixon-Yates contract. Senator Langer has announced that he will probe it likewise. It will be interesting to see who gets the investigation money from GOP leaders.

Mystery Man Gives If you look over the private records of mystery-man Henry Grunewald it's easy to understand why certain people would like to get him behind bars on a perjury charge. First, they would like to impeach his veracity; second, they doubtless would like to get him in a place where he has less chance to talk.

In talking to Grunewald myself I found that he had receipts to show that he had contributed heavily to the Democratic National Committee, plus cancelled checks from ex-Sen. Owen Brewster of Maine, Republican, plus an account of cash contributions to Governor Dewey and Herbert Brownell totaling \$13,000 when Dewey ran for President in 1944 and 1948.

"To be fair to Mr. Dewey," said Grunewald, "he said, 'is this cash?' I said yes. 'Well, he says, 'I can't handle that, but I'll introduce you to a fellow whom you can give this money to.'"

Grunewald then was introduced to a man he later found was Herbert Brownell, now Attorney General, then Dewey's campaign manager. The amount then contributed was \$3,000. Later Grunewald said he gave Brownell another \$5,000 in cash "in the presence of Gene Tunney," and in 1948, another \$5,000. Grunewald said he had given \$1,700 to the Truman campaign in 1948, and he produced a letter from President Truman thanking him. He also produced a receipt signed by Howard McGrath, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, for \$500; another signed by Joe Blythe, Democratic treasurer, for \$500; another for \$1,000 signed by Blythe; a receipt for \$500 signed by Sidney Solomon, a St.

their daughter, Mrs. Geo. Griffin.

Orvil Koop from Calif. and Cloyd Koop from Colo. came a week ago for a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Koop. On Saturday all went to Neo Harbors, Minn. for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Koop Jr. returning home last Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Randall Koop from Lincoln were here Sunday. Orville left for home Monday. C. M. and Cloyd went to Lincoln for a short visit at the Randall Koop home.

Virgil Woolhiser and John Revell rode in the "Buffalo Busters Saddle Club Saturday night at the Douglas County Fair at Waterloo. The club won first prize in the parade and second. They have 24 entries from Cass County. Two of the four exhibitors will be from this area. Keith Adleman of Louisville and Duane Arends of Manly.

Art Schoeman and Bernard Voigtman were busy Monday painting new parking marks on the sidewalks. This time the angle of parking is being lessened and it is expected that it will make it easier and safer to get cars in and out of the parking stalls.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Ingram of Lincoln are the parents of a son, Douglas Ralph born Tues. Sept. 14 at the St. Elizabeth Hospital in Lincoln. He weighed 7 lbs., 1 1/2 oz. Mrs. Ingram was formerly Margaret Siemus. They also have another son.

The Lions Club held a picnic Thursday evening at the Riverdale Game Farm with their wives and families as guests. More than 70 were present to enjoy the fine picnic dinner. This is an annual event put on by the club to help the new teachers get acquainted in the community.

The remodeling of the top floor of the Hon building housing the Variety Store is moving along fine. When completed it will be a completely modern apt. for Mr. and Mrs. Hon. Gas heat and air conditioning are being put into the apt. which will have a large kitchen, dining room, living room, two bedrooms and bath with closets and built cases. Exhaust fans are being installed above ceilings which has been dropping at the Riverdale Game Farm with their wives and families as guests. More than 70 were present to enjoy the fine picnic dinner. This is an annual event put on by the club to help the new teachers get acquainted in the community.

The Louisville Lions beat Table Rock in the first football game of the season Friday night 19 to 0. Next Friday night the Lions will go to Waterloo to play the Indians.

Rodney Heim, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Heim and winner of the Normal School Scholarship last spring is attending Peru State Teachers college. He and Jack White are roommates and are in the same dormitory with Ray Mayfield of Nehawka and two boys from Syracuse with whom they were previously acquainted.

Joseph F. Hon and Mrs. Hazel and both of their boys were married Friday p.m., Sept. 17, at 5:00 p.m. at the Methodist parsonage by the Rev. W. M. Halstead. Mr. and Mrs. Anton Hon of Omaha, brother and sister-in-law of the groom, stood up with the couple. The only other witnesses were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Woodsman of Omaha, son-in-law and daughter of the bride, and Ronald Ahl, son of the bride, and his fiancée, Miss Anita Vanderford of Peru.

The couple are living in the apartments occupied by the Ahls at the home of Mrs. McNealey at 308 Maple St., until their new apts. are completed, above the Hon Variety Store. Mrs. Minnie Brann, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Phillips and Mrs. Harley Heimert of Omaha came down Sunday to move Mrs. Brann's furniture and get some of it ready for sale. Mr. and Mrs. Herman returned to Omaha Sunday night but Mrs. Brann and Mr. and Mrs. Phillips are remaining longer in order to get the house ready for Rev. and Mrs. Halstead to move into the last of the week.

The Ash Grove plant and its Supt. Andy Lunteigen played host to nearly 1200 Boy Scouts and their leaders and a few parents who accompanied them on the trip Saturday morning. Mr. Joe Cook, Labor Relations Officer of Goodyear Tire and Rubber company of Lincoln was in charge of the train and W. F. Burke, Burlington General Pas-

Poets Corner

Verse will appear in this space without charge. Name of writer must appear on copy submitted. Keep them short space will not permit lengthy poems.

REVERIE OF A YOUNG MAN IN CAMP

One day as I walked thru tall stately trees
While white clouds voyaged a sea grey sky,
I tho't to myself 'What now are these, that I see
And yet know them not?
'What am I and what is man, that we are brothers
Yet know not one another, but it seems
Go our ways at add extremes.
'Would God that I might come to know
The walks and ways of the world,
To comprehend the magniture
or suns and seas and stars and skies.
To walk along the ocean shore
and dimly yet to realize
That I, O Lord, am but a grain—
even as these grains of sand.
And that I must abide my time, ere I
gain thy promised land.
'Would that I might some patience gain,
a little calm in heart and mind,
A little hope in earth's mankind,
and thus behold my faith might stand
Upright and yet far stronger.
I went for a walk among the stars last nite
And I spoke with my God and he said to me:
'These are thine, these many worlds,
They belong to thee and thy progeny.'
'From you sparks thou shalt draw life's knowledge,
The secrets of thy life and thine.
Use well thy days of fond existence
Ere thy lights shall cease to shine.'
'The wonders of my universe are vast and without fathom,
Yet would thou plume thy endless depths,
Discover thou their endlessness?
Rejoice and be thou then amazed
To find that thine own ignorance though great,
Might yet be far, far greater.'
I was alone again,
But now no longer sad of heart
For I would do the Creator's bidding—
Work hard in all that is of merit,
Make strong my faith in brother man,
Gain strength and patience,
And at last, perhaps to gain thy promised land.
And I gazed at the stars, and they gazed at me
and in their twinkling eyes I read the eternal promise
of the future
The future of all life to come
The promise that is tomorrow.

By George V. Pickwell, San Jose, Calif., grandson of Mrs. W. A. Cook, Elmwood, Nebraska, and son of Gayle Pickwell, nature author.
Written while at army camp in Georgia, May, 1954.

senger Agent, accompanied the Wednesday evening for their regular monthly meeting and social. Mrs. Albert Thiel was the hostess of the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin McHugh and daughter of Atchison, Kan., as spent the weekend visiting at the McHugh homes in Murdock.

Ervin Stohlman of Louisville and Myrtle Wendt of Murdock are the new employees at the Corn Grower's State Bank of Murdock.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Litcher-burger and family left Friday for a week's vacation.

MURDOCK

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Phone 2871 or 2322

Mr. and Mrs. August Wendt, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Esemann and Myrtle Wendt went to Omaha Wednesday evening to view the electric parade.

LaWayne Harger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Harger was able to come home from the hospital on Wednesday where he has been a patient for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Magorian and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Bornemeyer and family and Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Gortney drove Sunday to see the Pioneer Village there. This village contains 10,000 items in 12 buildings on two city blocks. It depicts the lives and achievements of those people who built an empire of the midwest.

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