

# Could Answer Paving Problem



While treatment over gravel or rock is much preferred, the above view of a dirt road in Stanton, Nebr., shows that a dirt road can be made into a permanent all-weather road. There is little difference in appearance, the road is hard and smooth, but does not stand up quite as well.

Here Mayor Leo Meisinger, City Atty. Albin Chovanec, Councilman Lyle Grove and Paul Fauquet discuss the program with Stanton Street Commissioner Alwin Axen and Jim Cornwall, publisher of the Stanton Register.—Journal Photo.

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## Weeping Water Rainbow Girls Install Officers at Meeting

About 150 persons attended the open installation for Order of Rainbow for Girls, Weeping Water Assembly No. 5, last Tuesday, May 17, at the agricultural auditorium.

Barbara Christensen, worthy advisor, gave the welcome and called the meeting to order. Roberta Knaup presented the American flag, followed by Dorothy Potts paying tribute to the Rainbow flag.

Barbara Christensen gave a resume of the work done during her term. Susan Stone, worthy associate advisor, presented Barbara with the gavel guard, a gift from the assembly. A violin solo was by Merwinna Kampman, accompanied by Mrs. L. N. Kunkel.

The Rainbow dad, Oscar Domingo, introduced the installing officers as Barbara Christensen, installing officer; Mrs. Elinor Ackley, chaplin; Ann Marquardt, marshal; Darlene Sterling, recorder; Mrs. Henry Smith, musician.

New worthy advisor, Susan Stone, was presented and a solo was sang by Norma Ward. The following girls were installed: Worthy associate advisor, Marie Stock; charity, Ann Smith; hope, Carolyn Spohn; faith, Jean Domingo; recorder, Phyllis Krogh; treasurer, Dorothy Potts; chaplin, Yvonne Domingo; drill leader, Charlene Mayfield; love, Myrna Van Horn; religion, Sharon Ehlers; nature, Sarah Lorenson; immortality, Mary Nichols; fidelity, Dianne



This is a view of the main north and south highway passing through Snyder, Nebr. Mayor A. F. Schoeneck said the road had received but one treatment and carries heavy truck traffic. With the exception of one block over a freshly

graded roadbed, the street is smooth and dust free. Every street in this town was treated at a cost of about \$7.50 for a 60-foot lot. It was put on last August and will receive a second application this summer.—Journal Photo.

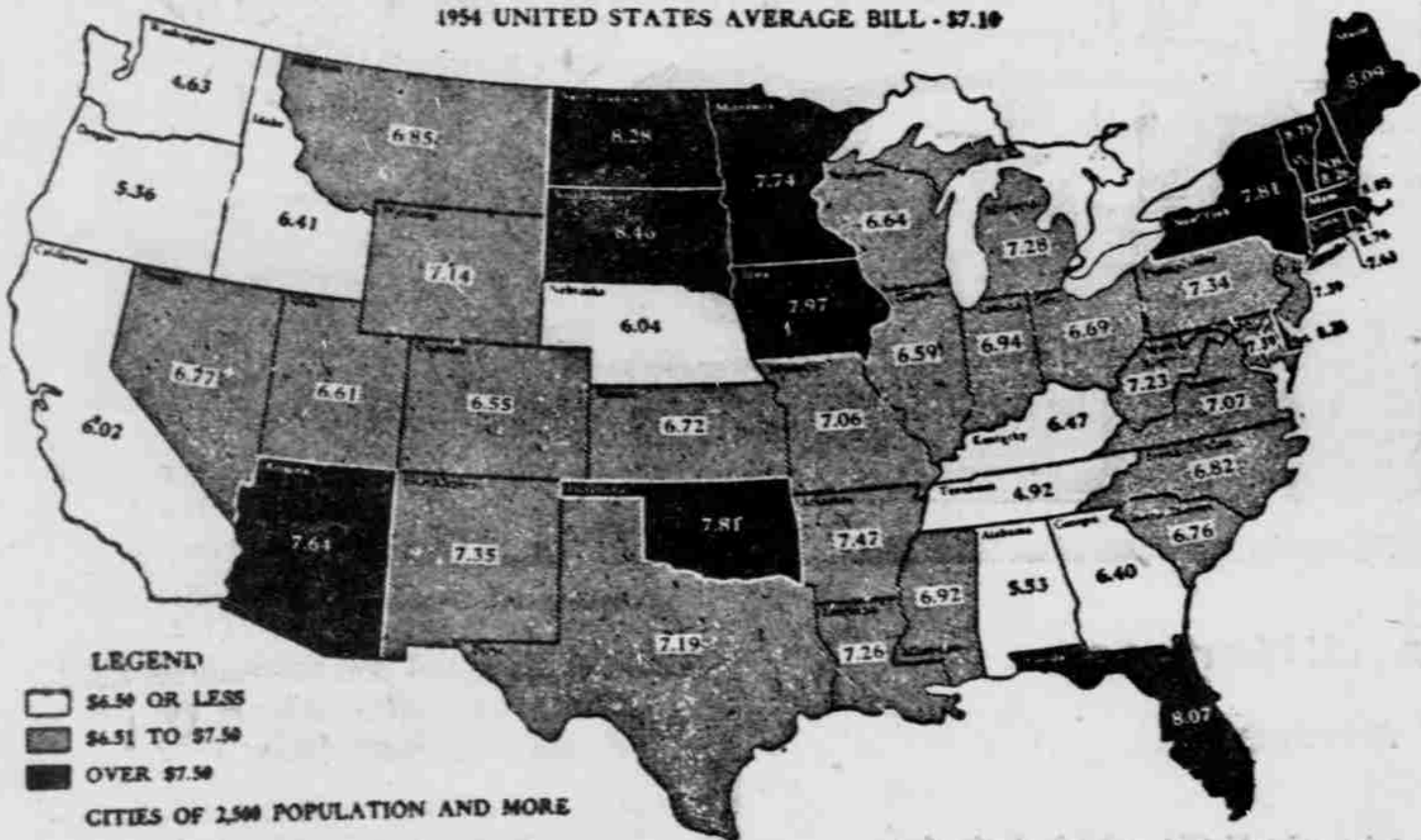
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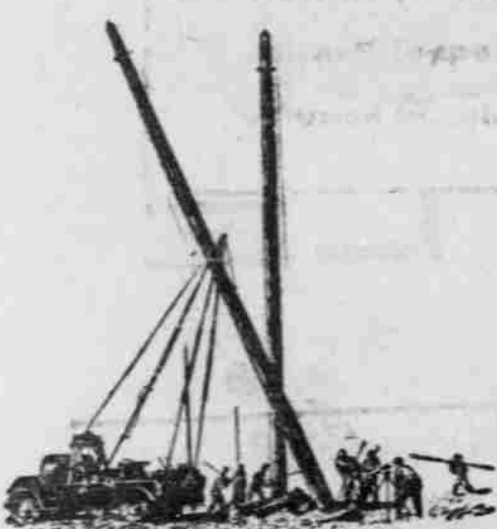
STATE AVERAGE BILLS - 250 KWH RESIDENTIAL SERVICE - JAN. 1, 1954  
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Dust, mud and heavy costs of street maintenance has long been a problem to city officials here. Hundreds of blocks of unpaved streets in Plattsmouth require thousands of dollars each year in an attempt to keep them passable. Continual expenditures for gravel and grading do a fair job until the next heavy rain arrives—then the job must be done all over again.

Residents in the unpaved areas are continually fighting dust and mud, but the costs of concrete paving in many sections of the city is prohibitive. In many instances where a portion of the city is prohibitive, would sign for paving, sufficient signatures on a petition cannot be obtained. Many lots along these streets are unsuitable for building and would soon revert to the city for unpaid taxes should a district go through. This problem has added considerable to the city's debt load in recent years.

Mayor Leo Meisinger and some members of the city council feel they have come up with a real answer to many of these problems in an asphalt treatment. Last week several towns in northeast Nebraska were visited where the treatment had been in service for a year or more, had gone under rigid investigation and test before being applied.

The method is not new. It has been used successfully in many

Iowa, Minnesota and Nebraska towns and cities for several years. The liquid asphalt is sprayed over a roadbed at a temperature of 175 degrees, penetrating the soil to a depth of about three to four inches. The treatment can be applied to gravel, rock or dirt roads with nearly equal success and the cost is so little most any property owner would welcome an opportunity to participate in the program.

Residents and officials of the towns visited last week were all enthusiastic over their roads. Most of the towns had treated every unpaved street and in several instances had gone beyond city boundary lines to treat heavily traveled roads leading into their communities. No where did this group meet one complaint. In Stanton, Nebr., a special committee appointed by the city council made exhaustive tests before they treated nearly every street in the town. Many of them are curbed and guttered and give residents as near permanent hard surfaced roads as possible without going to concrete.

It is a simple process. The asphalt binds the street surface together preventing wind and water erosion. In appearance it has the look of blacktop. It sheds water, cold or heat affects it little and it thrives on heavy traffic. It is recommended that



It's the "Poor Man's Paving" in the words of Ernest Koffold, editor and publisher of the Dodge, Nebr., Criticon. Both Mr. Koffold and City Clerk A. S. Clement stated Dodge residents were very happy with the program and intend treating again this summer. Every street in the

town was given the asphalt. The above view shows one street leading onto Main Street that carries exceptionally heavy traffic. Maintenance costs have been very low and the streets are in excellent condition.—Journal Photo.

## MURRAY

Mrs. Neva Read  
Correspondent

Mr. Oscar Schrader flew in from his home at Long Beach, Calif., last Sunday to visit with friends and relatives until after Memorial day.

A good many of the Murray folks drove to Union last Sunday evening to attend the wedding of Dorothy Schanot and Charles Wander.

Mrs. J. L. Griffin of Modesto, Calif., is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Carper. Mrs. Griffin is the mother of Mrs. Carper.

### Hild Anniversary

Relatives are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hild this week from Oklahoma. They came to help celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Hild, which was last Sunday.

Between 450 and 500 people called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hild last Sunday to extend congratulations to the Hilds on their 50th wedding anniversary.

The Murray school held their picnic last Friday.

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### Personal Shower

A personal shower was given at the fellowship room of the Christian church last Monday night honoring Miss Rose Read before her coming marriage.

A good many of her young friends attended, bringing lovely gifts. The shower was given by Misses Minnie Mae Hoschar, Betty June Morris, Marilyn Sporer and Rosalie Farris. A lovely lunch was served by the hostesses.

### Project Club

The Project club met at the home of Mrs. Harley Lloyd with Mrs. Fred Druecker as assisting hostess. Mrs. Lester Wunderlich gave the lesson on wild flowers. They had a plant exchange. A delicious lunch was served by the hostesses.

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and Rainbow flag bearer, Jolene Spohn. The Rainbow choir consists of Toni Lee Lowe, Ramona Gardner, Maria Gardner, Lorell Smith, Sharon Stock, Sara Jensen, Judy Domingo, Marlene Mather and Suzanne Ehlers.

New worthy advisor, Susan Stone, introduced her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Marion Stone and presented them with flowers. She also introduced her brothers, John and Jerry Stone; her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Hall Pollard and the members of the advisory board: Mrs. Calvin Carsten, Mrs. Henry Smith, Mrs. DeForest Philpot, Mrs. Harold Domingo, Mrs. Richmond Hobson, Mr. Renos Anderson, Mr. Oscar Domingo, Mr. DeForest Philpot, Mr. Henry Smith and Mr. Richmond Hobson.

Mrs. Hobson, mother advisor, added a word of welcome to the guests, and gave some information about the Rainbow organization, followed by the presentation of merit bars.

Roberta Knaup, accompanied by Mrs. S. H. Harmon at the piano sang "I Walked Into the Garden."

Following the retiring march a reception line was formed.

### Dr. Olson Speaks To Historical Group

The Cass County Historical Society took a tour to Lincoln Thursday, and spent a most delightful day.

Lunch was served at the Student Union Hall, historical pictures were shown and a lecture presented by Dr. Olson.

Those attending were: Mrs. Chas. Spangler, Rev. Hutchinson, Mrs. George Ray, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Sporer of Murray, Mrs. Ivan Balfour, Union, Mrs. John Donelan, Minnie Gutmann, Dora Fricks, Barbara Gerling, Mrs. Frank Cummins and Mrs. Emma Egenberger of Plattsmouth.

Mrs. Frank Cummins is the current president, and Mrs. Ivan Balfour is the secretary-treasurer of the Cass county society.

### SECRETARY BENSON

Secretary of Agriculture Ezra Taft Benson, urging a fair trial for flexible price supports on basic farm crops, said a return to rigid supports, which is before the House at the present time, would be "a step backward."

**BULLDOZER SETS OFF BLAST**  
Brookshire, Texas — When his bulldozer broke a natural-gas pipeline, Garland Rhemann, 27, was killed in an explosion that shot flames 250 feet into the air. Rhemann was deepening a drainage ditch when the bulldozer blade hit the pipeline.


A seasonal increase of 319,000 persons doing farm labor brought the total of rural workers to 6,918,000 for the last week in March, according to the Agriculture Department.

**DEAN SURPRISED**  
AMES, Iowa — In a surprise ceremony, M. D. Heiser, dean of student affairs at Iowa State College, was given a new Cadillac by students and friends, to refute the criticism that athletic coaches receive valuable gifts while professors are overlooked. A fund has also been established in the name of the 56-year-old dean to provide scholarships for worthy students in need of financial aid.

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