

## Six Duplicates Go Out Window As Post Office Jet-Lines Work

Plattsmouth Postmaster Leslie Neil will not bear the weight of six copies any longer. Archaic procedure for the postoffice, which once called for bids on ten cents worth of locally purchased supplies, each in several copies, is gone.

Statistical reports, each a handful of paper and days full of record keeping, are cut the window.

Postmaster Neil's reports are now a wisp of paper.

Repair bills take but the blow of a rubber stamp and a signature and they will be paid.

Postoffice operation question answers are but two days away, at Omaha, instead of three weeks away, at Washington, D. C.

It put a grin on the face of the Plattsmouth postmaster and better and lower cost mail service in Plattsmouth mail boxes.

The reason is the establishment of a regional office at Wichita, Kan., and a reshuffle of authority throughout the system.

Let us say, for example, a bill is received at the postoffice for repair on a truck. Ascertaining that it is correct, Mr.

Neil will stamp it with his special rubber stamp and send it to Wichita. Back will come the check to the repairman in quick time, compared to the paper heavy system which involved requisitions, duplications, and copies, copies, copies.

Mr. Neil has just returned from a meeting of the Postmasters Association board of directors where the subject was taken apart. Frankly, the directors of the Association are delighted with the new system, says Mr. Neil for it was partly their idea and they pushed it.

It will not reduce the staff at the Plattsmouth postoffice who working on reports, for only Mr. Neil had this job, but the new system will release four clerks for other jobs in the Omaha postoffice.

Postmasters will now report to district managers in Omaha, Wichita and Oklahoma City with their problems, with the problem going to the regional office in Wichita, if not solved at the district.

Payroll for the Plattsmouth postoffice, now kept and paid at the local postoffice, will soon be delegated to the regional office and paid to local post office workers from there. Only work involved at Plattsmouth will be the correcting of an IBM card to be sent back to the payroll machine at Wichita.

A total of 5,464,160 citizens in Kansas, Oklahoma and Nebraska, the three-state region, will receive mail more efficiently and at lower cost. 19,000 postal employees will be able to do their jobs more effectively.

2,288 postmasters will be released from the entanglements of red tape and delay resulting from the previous awkward, central operation of the postal establishment, says the Postoffice Department.

The Nebraska - Kansas - Oklahoma regional office is the last to be set up in the United States. All other states already are being served under the streamlined system.

**TALKED TOO LOUDLY**  
SANTA MONICA, Cal.—Hearing her neighbor shout, "The house is on fire!" Mrs. Ruby Burkholder hurriedly called the fire department. When the trucks arrived and a captain pounded on the neighbor's door, the startled housewife explained that she was trying to get her husband out of bed and had finally yelled at him. "The house is on fire," unaware that she was being overheard.

**TAX CHEAT TIPS**  
The Internal Revenue Service paid out a total of \$602,817 to 576 individuals who tipped off the Government about other people's tax delinquencies. The informers were not identified nor was the amount collected as a result of their tips estimated.

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Mrs. Charles Bahde of Plattsmouth won a prize in a national contest this Spring but she still didn't have the prize she was shooting after. This electric stove was won with a statement in the fifth category of a national contest and delivered to her home last week by a Plattsmouth firm. Last year Mr. and Mrs. Bahde won a dishwasher, sold it and bought a clothes dryer. "We didn't need a dishwasher," she said. What they have been trying to win is a refrigerator.—Journal Photo.

## JOURNALisms

There are many wonderful things to see in Arizona. While a good share of your time is taken up at press conventions in business meetings, you get a much closer look at many sights if you are in a company of newspapermen and women. Cities, villages, and even the state go all out in escorting visiting reporters and newsmen to the most talked of places.

One morning some 50 of us were loaded on Airforce buses and driven some 10 miles east of Chandler from the San Marcos Hotel to Williams Air Force Base. Here we were escorted by selected officers as guides and shown "the works" from inside jet fighters, to actual demonstrations of pilot's ejection seats used for emergency escapes from high and fast flying jet planes.

We were fortunate also to witness graduation exercises for some 200 trainees who received their wings and bars of a 2nd Lieutenant at ceremonies held in the base theatre. It was interesting to note that graduation here differs little from that at a state university—there's the pomp of official color and oratory for the edification of scores of intelligent appearing and handsome young men in uniform, the passing out of "diplomas", followed by greetings from family members, and many a sweetheart awaiting a final trip down an aisle to the altar. A good close look at these young men leaves little doubt that the future of our country is in the best of hands.

For a pleasant day a trip to Scottsdale, about 10 miles east of Phoenix, is one you shouldn't miss. "The West's Most Western City" greets you on flats at the lower end of Paradise Valley, surrounded by cacti, Palo Verde trees, sand, and the shadow of Camel Back Mountain. Building codes prevent erection of any but western style buildings. Hitching posts, wood fronts and awnings prevail over the downtown district that includes some of the world's smartest shops offering hand-

tooled leather goods, originals by the country's smartest designers who have their own stores here. The price tags in most instances compare favorably with those at Tiffany's and Diors, but for husbands who can't stand the strain of shopping wives, sorrows can be drowned in the famous Lulu Belle's or Pink Pony bars and restaurants (told of beautifully in last week's SE Post) at reasonable prices.

A trip we were fortunate enough to "break even" on was our journey to Paradise Turf, Phoenix' new horse track that is the last word in luxury, as guests of the track management. This lay-out is the highest achievement in glitter, glamour, stainless steel, mauve carpeting, and come-on to the gullible with a weakness to watch the ponies. Complete with air landing strip, cocktail bars, restaurant, palms, and lavishly appointed glare-proof glass enclosed lounge, you can at least destroy your two-buck tickets in luxury.

Newspaper people were served a repast of roast beef, plus trimmings, presented with several free duckets good for six-bits each at bar or grill, shown the beautifully landscaped grounds, given the saw-buck tour of plant and its many terraces, and lured into dreams of easy riches at pari-mutual windows stretching both sides of underground ramps well able to take most any size crowd to the cleaners—we escaped, fortunately, by picking three in a row and wound up 23 cents to the good, after deductions.

Enough of that for the minute to talk about Spring. Many look for the first robin, or blade of green poking its nose through turf—we're different. Spring is surely here, Bert Pollock dropped in Tuesday for a short visit following his winter of hibernation. Get out the garden seeds, lawn chairs and shed your heavies—it's a sure sign.

Campbell Soup Co., was in the area recently arranging for test plots on Missouri bottom lands at Plattsmouth for tomato plantings this season. Nothing definite could be learned from executives here, other than if these tests proved out there was a good chance of locating a plant near this city. We're going to sneak down nights and squirt a little of Allied's fertilizer on 'em in hopes it might help a little.

See where a 250-pound farmer in Tenn., was put in the workhouse for a year for chaining his wife to a bed post and beating her. In pleading guilty, he said he tied up his wife to keep her from wandering around and getting snakebit.

It's getting so women just don't appreciate the little things husbands do to protect them from everyday dangers of living in this modern world.—RRF

- One Minute Sports Quiz**
1. When was the last America's Cup yacht race run?
  2. How long has it been since a non-Russian held the world chess title?
  3. What was last year's Davis Cup score, between the U.S. and Australia?
  4. How many games did Whitney Ford win in the 1955 World Series?
  5. How old is Bob Feller?
- The Answers:**
1. 1937.
  2. Twenty years.
  3. 5-0, Australia.
  4. Two.
  5. Thirty-seven.

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## State Apportionment Shows Slight Rise for Cass County

State apportionment of money received from fines and licenses for Cass county in the school year 1955-56 was reported to school districts this week by L. A. Behrends, Cass county superintendent of schools.

Total money apportioned to Cass county was up \$609.90 over last year, the report showed.

School districts in the county will receive \$11.55 per child in the apportionment. A total of 4,590 children are involved.

Each of the 66 districts in the county will receive \$126.86 from the "one fourth" apportionment. Total "one fourth" apportionment to the county is \$8,373.

A total of \$26,787.31 comes from the "three-fourths" apportionment, the report shows. A total of \$26,703.20 came from fines and licenses and \$15.06 was due to the free high school tuition fund.

Cass County School District No. 1, Plattsmouth, the county's largest school, got \$17,502.54, or \$597.32 more than last year.

Union school district got \$1,560.27; Avoca \$954.23; Weeping Water \$3,799.07; Cedar Creek \$767.82; Louisville \$3,891.01; Greenwood \$1513.66; Murray \$2,001.79; South Bend \$581.36; Elmwood \$2,678.14; Manly \$907.67; Alvo \$1,397.12; Nehaw-

ka \$2,061.38; Eagle \$2,282.80; Murdock \$2,199.90

Received by other districts: District Two \$438.13; three \$627.98; five \$593.02; six \$371.59; Seven \$476.48; Eight \$255.06; Nine \$336.63; Ten \$266.71; Eleven \$359.94; Twelve \$278.36; Thirteen \$336.63; Twenty-one \$255.06; Twenty-three \$371.59; Twenty-five \$441.52; Twenty-six \$406.56; Twenty-seven \$383.25; Twenty-eight \$499.79; Twenty-nine \$196.79; Thirty \$453.17; Thirty-three \$313.33; Thirty-four \$429.86; Thirty-five \$278.37; Thirty-seven \$266.71; Forty \$348.29; Forty-one \$464.82; Forty-two \$324.98; Forty-five \$406.56; Forty-seven \$418.21; Forty-nine \$266.71; Fifty \$336.63; Fifty-five \$266.71; Fifty-eight \$255.06; Sixty-three \$374.28; Sixty-four \$290.02; Seventy \$394.90; Seventy-two \$243.40; Seventy-eight \$359.94; Seventy-nine \$593.02; Eighty \$476.48;

Eighty-one \$313.33; Eighty-two \$301.67; Eighty-three \$383.25; Eighty-six \$441.52; Eighty-eight

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