



**HEALTH CHECK** — Central School children are shown during last week's health check at the school. Registered Nurse Mrs. Albert Kraeger shows Sandy Keith how to hold the card for the vision test. Others are Tommy Hansen, left, Louise Kelley and Robert Kief. PTA representatives assisting with the program the day the picture was taken were Mrs. Don Wall and Mrs. Darwyn Hoover.

## Annual Health Check Made In Plattsmouth Public Schools

The annual health check in the Plattsmouth Public Schools has been completed and school officials hope that parents take advantage of it.

## Sewer Work Payment Is OK'd Here

The City Council Monday night approved the engineer's estimate of work done to date on sanitary sewer construction here and authorized payment of Charles Robeck Co., Omaha, and consulting engineer Douglas McKnight, Lincoln.

Work has been suspended for the winter and will be resumed about the forepart of March. About 9,000 feet of sewer was installed this fall and winter. About 3,100 feet of sewer will be laid next spring. The contracting foreman said about three weeks work remain.

The Council approved the third partial payment for the contractor and engineer of \$10,166 and \$225. Ten per cent of the estimate of \$11,296 is retained by the city until the project is completed.

## Mayor To Seek Re-election Here

Mayor Gold Tuesday said he will seek nomination for re-election next month when party caucuses are held to name candidates.

## Recommendations On Salaries Drawn

Cass County officials had a meeting Tuesday to draw up salary recommendations to be presented to the County Board of Commissioners.

The recommendations, for salaries for the next term office, will probably be considered by the Commission as its regular meeting next Tuesday.

### THE WEATHER

Compiled for the Plattsmouth Journal at the Masonic Home Weather Station, Plattsmouth, Nebraska.  
Jan. 13, 14, 15, 1958  
Date      High      Low      Precip.  
Monday      39      35      .00  
Tuesday      39      24      .00  
Wednesday      31      23      .00  
Forecast: High in mid 40's. Continued cloudy and slightly warmer.  
Sun sets tonight at 5:21. Sun rises Friday at 7:47 a.m.

## C of C Has 1st '58 Meet

The Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce Board held its first meeting of 1958 under the direction of Herb Freeburg, the new chamber president, on Jan. 15. Reorganization of the Chamber for 1958 was furthered.

Following the meeting, the Chamber president announced that the new budget had been set for 1958 at slightly over \$12,000.

It was also announced that the Board of Directors in hiring Dale Bowman, the Chamber manager for 1958, gave him a standing vote of confidence as well as expressed their appreciation for the manner in which he has carried out the duties of Chamber manager.

Hiring of the Chamber secretary was delegated to the manager, who reappointed Mrs. Gary Ashbaugh.

Other appointments included Del Heedum, manager of the local Hinky Dinky Store, as membership chairman, Chris Bulin of Soemichsen's Dept. Store as bridge chairman, (Bill) Knorr of Knorr's Variety as retail chairman and Ernest W. Schultz, a past president and owner of Ernie's Tavern as Christmas chairman.

Other committee heads will be announced within the next few days, according to Freeburg.

Other business included the ordering of new Chamber decals and the approving of bills. Freeburg said the Chamber outlook for 1958 was very good and that with the cooperation of the Board of Directors and members 1958 would be outstanding and of mutual benefit to all our citizens.

Edward Gradoville, who has been a surgery patient at St. Mary's Hospital in Nebraska City, has returned home to recuperate from his illness.

# Nolte 'Proclaims' He's Board Chairman; Move Ruling Pends

## April Flood Dam Letting Sought

Payment of Pledges Is Asked Here

Steps are being taken to exercise options on land needed for construction of the first dams in the Flood Control Program in the Plattsmouth watershed.

Steps are also being taken to collect money pledged by local persons and firms to help finance the co-operative (federal-state-local) program.

Flood Control Administrator Paul Fauquet Monday night told the City Council the target for start of construction on Dams 10 A and 18A is sometime in April.

Fauquet was at the Council meeting to present an easement contract between the city and the Missouri-Pacific Railroad in connection with Dam 18A in west Plattsmouth. The easement was signed on the city's part Monday night and sent to the railroad.

An easement from the University needed for 18A has also been obtained.

Statements asking those who pledged to contribute toward the city's share of the cost of the program were to be mailed this week.

Fauquet said a total of about \$32,000 will be required for the city's share in the 11-dam program. The city pays for site easements, legal and technical costs, any additional engineering cost and the cost of hiring a man to supervise construction.

The State Soil Conservation Service provides an inspector to determine whether construction is technically correct.

The federal government pays all cost of dam construction. (Continued on Page 5)

## Commission Will Discuss Matter Tues.

William F. Nolte, commissioner of the 1st Cass County district, Tuesday at about 4 p.m. "proclaimed" himself chairman of the County Board and "assumed the duties of chairman."

Nolte read a personal statement to that effect in the commission room at the courthouse in the presence of a representative of the Journal and seven county officers who had been asked by Nolte a few minutes earlier to come to the commission room. He didn't explain what was to happen.

The other two commissioners, Herman Bornemeir, District 3, and R. E. Norris, District 2, were not present, having dismissed their regular Commission meeting at 3 p.m. and postponed all business until next Tuesday's regular meeting.

Bornemeir, named chairman of the board by a 2-1 vote Jan. 7 at an organizational meeting, and Norris had met this past Tuesday from the usual starting time of 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

At one point in the morning, they suggested the county clerk phone Nolte and ask if he were coming to the meeting. The clerk reported Nolte said he wouldn't be in that morning but might in the afternoon.

Following is the statement Nolte read late Tuesday afternoon in the Commission room:

"To whom it may concern:

"A Nebraska statute designates the 2nd Tuesday of January as the date for organizing the County Board in each county.

"No such action was taken nor contemplated by the Cass County Board on this date.

"An election was held on Jan. 7 and (Herman) Bornemeir was elected chairman.

"This election was out of order, improper and illegal. Therefore a vacancy now exists in the (Continued on Page 5)

## Welfare Checks Held Up Here

Because of the lack of agreement among the Cass County Commissioners of their 1958 reorganization, county welfare checks must be held up, the county clerk said today.

Ordinarily, the approximately 300 monthly assistance checks would have gone out tonight by mail but now they'll have to be held up at least until after Tuesday's regular Commission meeting.

The checks must be signed both by the clerk and the commissioner who is designated welfare chairman for 1958, William Nolte was so-designated Jan. 7 but declines the appointment and maintains reorganization which took place that day was illegal. (See story above).

## Lions Start Attendance Contest Here

A quick look at one of the world's great engineering projects through the eyes of a color movie camera highlighted the program of the Plattsmouth Lions Club at their meeting Tuesday evening.

It was a 30-minute film showing the route and some of the work of building the St. Lawrence Seaway.

The meeting marked the beginning of an attendance contest between two teams of members captained by Ray Story and Dr. W. V. Ryan of one team Cecil Karr and Warren Rhlander opposing them, which will continue through March. Plans were drawn up for a Fish Fry for the membership at the club rooms on Feb. 4.

The membership voted to investigate the possibility of sponsoring an all Night Prom Party for Juniors and Seniors after the regular Prom in May. This has met with success in towns that have staged this sort of activity on prom night.

## Jan. 2 Baby Wins 1958 'Derby' Here

First Cass County baby of 1958 and winner of the Journal Baby Derby is little Miss Deborah Gochenour who weighed in at 7 pounds and 3 ounces at 3:25 a.m. Jan. 2 at Methodist Hospital Omaha.

Parents of the winner are Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Gochenour of 601 South 5th St.

She was also welcomed by a sister, Patricia Lou.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brown of Louisville. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gochenour of Plattsmouth. Richard J. (proud daddy) is in the U. S. Airforce and recently returned from duty in Labrador.

Prizes for the winner included gifts from Soemichsen's, B & H Shoes, Alamito Dairy, Gambles, Christwiser, Wee Wardrobe, C. A. Ruse Appliance Store, Grove Jewelry, Ruback's, O'Connell's, Hinky Dinky, Farley Furniture, Plattsmouth Paint Store, Cass Drug, Knorr's 5 & 10, Feldhausen Drug, Hotel Coffee Shop and The Journal.

## Arrests by Cass County Down in '57

Total arrests by Cass County in 1957 were fewer than the year before and also fewer than the total 10 years before, in 1947.

Those facts are from a summary of records in the office of Sheriff Tom Solomon.

In 1957 a total of 232 persons were booked at the County Jail, compared with 277 in 1956 and 243 in 1947.

Last year arrests for all types of offenses included 10 females. The 232 persons spent 1,542 days in confinement.

The County Jail was empty only two days during 1957.

The 1957 inmates were fed 4,620 meals.

Offenses were the following: drunken driving, 23; burglary, 10; auto theft, 13; check charges, 23; intoxication, 52; fugitives, 6; escapees, 7; sex offenses, 7; trespassing, 4; assault, 14; and larceny, 12.

The remainder were held in lieu of fines, to serve sentences, for disturbing the peace, on traffic violations, for vagrancy and for investigation.

Arrests for intoxication dropped from 94 in 1947 to 53 last year. Arrests for drunken driving also declined in the 10-year period.

## AVOCA FIRE OFFICERS

AVOCA (Special)—The Avoca Fire Dept. elected the following officers: Earle Freeman, chief; Fred Meyer, president; August Wohlers, vice president; Allen Ehlers, secretary-treasurer.



Miss 1958 Deborah Lynn Gochenour Poses With Mother

## Mayor Sends Progress Report On Sewage Disposal Planning

Following is a letter sent by Mayor Bruce Gold to T. A. Filipi, director of the Division of Sanitation of the State Health Dept., in response to a request for a progress report on "water pollution abatement" here:

In 1956 the Plattsmouth City Council authorized the firm of Henningson, Durham and Richardson, Inc. to make a general survey of the city sewer system.

This survey was to include a check on existing sewer capacity, a plan for future extension of the sewer mains, and estimated cost for a sewage treatment plant. This report was completed and submitted to the Council in May, 1957. The report highlighted the fact that the west central portion of the city, comprising about one-third of the city's area was unserved by sanitary sewers.

The Mayor of Plattsmouth held a meeting recently with the Plattsmouth Board of Public Works, and proposed that the Board take over the operation of the city's sewer system, negotiate for the proposed plant site, and assume the responsibility for planning and building the sewage disposal plant. The Board is now studying the proposal.

Acquisition of the proposed plant site is prerequisite to an application for a Federal Construction Grant. Our engineers have estimated the costs of the disposal plant plus necessary diversion structure and intercepting sewer as \$217,263, exclusive of land site.

In September, 1957, the City let a contract for construction of more than 12,000 feet of new sewer mains and laterals to serve the west central section of

## NEW TITLE CLERK

Helen Gansemer is a new member of the staff of the county clerk's office here. She will take the place of Valeria Holman who will resign next month.

Mrs. Gansemer had been working part-time in the county assessor's office.

## 2 At Masonic Home Here Get 50-Year OES Membership Pins

Two residents of the Nebraska Masonic Home here recently received pins denoting 50 years of membership in the Order of Eastern Star.

They are Mrs. Bertie Redding, 87, and Belle Barkley, 79.

Mrs. Redding was presented her pin on behalf of the Grand Chapter of Nebraska of the OES by officers of the Home Chapter 189 OES, Plattsmouth.

On hand from the chapter for the presentation were Worthy Matron Martha McQuin, Associate Matron Luetta Hutchinson, Conductress Florence Noell and associate conductress Ruth Range.



**EASTERN STAR HONORS** — Mrs. Bertie Redding (front center) of the Nebraska Masonic Home here recently received her 50-year pin for membership in the Order of Eastern Star. She is shown above with some of the other residents of Masonic Home, left to right: front—Mrs. Ella Grow, Mrs. Redding, Mrs. Edith Proctor; back—Mrs. Mary Sorenson, Mrs. Electa Smith, Bertha Hunt, Mrs. Bessie Oberholte and Mrs. Maude Calvert.