

Gas Rate Hike Passed 'Under Protest'

The City Council Monday night passed an ordinance granting Central Electric and Gas Co. a raise in rates to compensate for a recent request for increase by its supplier, Northern Natural Gas Co.

Northern's request with the Federal Power Commission has not been acted upon but Central asked for an increase to be collected subject to refund if the FPC denies the Northern request.

Walter Gleason, local gas company manager, was at the Council meeting to make his company's request. He said the increase in rates he asked is only enough to cover the increase by Northern which becomes effective Nov. 27 and which will be collected under bond and be refundable.

Central agreed to make a "cost of gas" credit refund to firm gas customers, that is those who are supplied on a noninterrupted basis. If the FPC orders a refund by Northern.

The new rates which will become effective Nov. 27 are:

First 600 cubic feet or less, \$1.35 per month; next 1,400 feet, \$1.34; next 3,000, \$1.01; next 5,000, 90 cents; next 40,000, 83 cents; next 50,000, 76 cents; next 100,000, 7 cents.

The comparable rates now effective are: \$1.25, \$1.24, 93 cents, 83 cents, 77 cents, 77 1/2 cents, and 65 cents.

While the ordinance was up for passage, Council president William Highfield said he wanted it noted that the Council was approving the rates "under protest."

Central Electric has opposed all the rate increases asked by Northern Natural. The FPC determines rates for natural gas suppliers.

Free Horse Show Sunday

A free horse show, sponsored by the Cass County Saddle Club to top off their year's activities, will be held Sunday at 1 p. m. at the Plattsmouth Sale Barn Arena.

It will be a Husker-Hawkeye Horse Show Assn. event and feature Cass County, Omaha, Fremont, Council Bluffs, Papillion and Springfield clubs.

A highlight of the show will be the "family rescue" race, an event in which the Cass County club has never been defeated. Other events will be clover leaf, barrel race, 4-in-line horseshoe race, pole bending, other games and pleasure classes.

A Classified Ad in The Journal cost as little as 50 cents.



ELMWOOD ROYALTY — The King and Queen of Elmwood High School Homecoming are shown above with their attendants. The queen was Donna Swartz, the king Dennis Drake. Their attendants were Sara Jicka and Larry Bornemeier, left, and Judy Coatman and Ewald Sender. — photo by Bud Clemens, Elmwood.

Queen Donna, King Dennis Reign at Elmwood High

ELMWOOD (Special)—Friday night, Oct. 10, the crowning of the king and queen of Elmwood High took place.

Miss Donna Swartz and Dennis Drake were king and queen. The attendants were Judy Coatman, Sara Jicka, Larry Bornemeier and Ewald Sender.

The crowning took place in the Elmwood Community Building. The setting and theme of the homecoming was "Rainbows End."

There was a dance and program. Joan Hansen presided as Mistress of Ceremonies. The music was furnished by Bill Alberts Band.

The program consisted of a solo by Judy Drake, and a number by the junior trio, Lynne Whittemore, Phyllis Laughlin, Judy Fritzigbbon, and accompanied by Judy Coatman, Ronald Ahl did a pantomime.

Elmwood had but one regret that night. It lost the football game to Bennet, 36-6.

Heavy stalk growth, corn borer infestation, and weather damage can make working in corn fields doubly dangerous this season.

You can keep yourself from becoming an accident statistic, says the local FFA and the vocational agriculture instructor at the High School, if you follow safe equipment operating rules in your harvesting operation.

Weather plays an important part in corn harvest. Don't pick corn when it is too green. Don't work with harvesting equipment in extremely cold, wet weather. Unfavorable picking conditions mean that you will have to adjust your corn harvesting machinery more frequently to do a good job. By trying to get through too fast you will have to stop more than is necessary. Curb your impatience, turn off power every time you leave the tractor seat.

The farm accident rate soars in the late afternoon. Take a break and try to become more safety-conscious as each day's harvesting begins.

Elmwood Churches Set UNICEF Fete

ELMWOOD (Special) — The Elmwood churches are sponsoring a Halloween UNICEF celebration for all children of grade and kindergarten age in the community. The children will meet in costume (optional) at the Christian Church at 6:30 p. m. on Thursday evening, Oct. 30.

During the evening they will call on people to collect contributions for the UNICEF (United Nations International Children's Education Federation).

Parents may call for their children at 9 p. m.

THE WEATHER

Oct. 13, 14, 15, 1958

Date	Hi.	Low	Prec.
Monday	78	52	.00
Tuesday	82	52	.00
Wednesday	82	58	.00

Forecast High in 80's; low tonight in upper 50's. Continued fair and warm.
Sun sets tonight at 5:42; rises Friday at 6:37 a. m.

Rotary Club 'Sees' Navajo Country

The Plattsmouth Rotary Club Tuesday noon took a color-slide trip to the Four Corners, Navajo Indian Reservation country, of the Colorado Plateau.

Showing the slides he had taken over a five-year period of annual vacations in that part of the Southwest was Rotarian Dr. P. T. Heineman, program chairman for the day.

Dr. Heineman also told personal observations of the Navajos.

NFWC Convention Here Was 'Instructive, Entertaining'

The 55th annual convention of First District Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs, Oct. 9-10, featured an instructive, informative and entertaining program for the ladies assembled at First Presbyterian Church here.

Many district, state and county officers attended, and one General Federation Officer, Mrs. W. H. Hasbroeck, recording secretary.

Mrs. O. O. Attebery, president called the convention to order and Mrs. Landis Rulla, first vice president presided. Mrs. Don Wall, chairman of Religion, gave the devotionals at the opening session.

In keeping with the district theme, Mrs. E. J. Hunter, NFWC first vice president brought Thursday's message on "Keys to Progress." She said, "We hold three keys, first to

'Armed' Man Robs Station Near Union

Albert George Harrod, 32, of Omaha entered a plea of "guilty" to robbery Tuesday afternoon in County Court and bond was set at \$2,000. Judge Raymond J. Case bound Harrod over to District Court.

Harrod was arrested in Nebraska City following a pickup order for his arrest put out by Sheriff Tom Solomon over the police network after Harrod had held up a filling station at Union corner.

Harrod in a statement to the sheriff, said he was married but not living with his wife. He said he was employed by the City of Omaha and departed for work Tuesday morning but upon leaving the house decided to drive to St. Louis for a few days.

After passing through Plattsmouth, he discovered he needed gas and having no money decided on the robbery plan.

He said he pulled into the service station at Union corner and had Mr. Kovar put 12 gallons of gas into his car. He then said he followed Mr. Kovar into the station office and pulled out a chrome gun cigarette lighter whose barrel looked just like the barrel of a 22-caliber gun.

Harrod had his hand over the top of the gun and showed only the barrel to Kovar. Seeing the gun, Kovar asked if it was a real gun and Harrod said it was. So, Kovar said, "Help yourself."

Harrod ordered Kovar to remove \$20 from the cash register and despite the fact Kovar offered him more money, Harrod took only the \$20 bill and departed. As soon as Harrod got into his car Kovar called the sheriff.

Within minutes, all southeastern law enforcement officers received word of the holdup via the sheriff's office radio network and 15 minutes later Harrod was in custody of the Otoe County sheriff.

Harrod was returned to the Cass County Jail and is now being held in lieu of the \$2,000 bond.

Sheriff's officers praised Mr. Kovar for the manner in which he handled the robbery and the quick and accurate report phoned to the sheriff's office.



BANDIT CAUGHT — Sheriff Ralph Hall and Deputy Ed Harshbarger of Otoe County are shown frisking Bert Harrod, Omaha, just after he was captured near Nebraska City Tuesday. Harrod used a cigaret lighter "gun" to hold up a filling station at Union corner. — Photo by Nebraska City News - Press.

Edwin T. McHugh Now In Race For Legislature

Edwin T. McHugh, Murdock banker and attorney, was in the city Tuesday to look after some matters in the County Court and while here was a caller at the Journal.

Mr. McHugh is to go on the ballot as a candidate for state senator in the third district counties of Cass and Sarpy counties, replacing the late senator Thomas Dooley of Papillion.

He comes of an old Cass County family, prominent in the western part of the county for many years. Ed is a graduate of the University of Nebraska college of law and since graduation has been located at Murdock and engaged in practice there. He was one of the organizers of the Cornrowers bank of Murdock and an active member in the bank management.

The Secretary of State's office at Lincoln has confirmed that the name of Edwin F. McHugh, Murdock attorney and banker, will go on the November 4 ballot as a candidate for the legislature from the third district composed of Cass and Sarpy counties, as the result of the death of Sen. Tom Dooley, who had been a candidate for re-election.

McHugh, who received 847 votes in the May 13 primary, ran third in the five man race. Senator Dooley had received 1-352 votes and H. L. Gaver of Papillion, was second with 1-130.

The Secretary of State's office has changed the names of the third district candidates on the certified list of candidates for all offices being readied for distribution to county clerks and election commissioners on Tuesday.

Crossing, New Depot Set Here

Work may begin in about 10 days to two weeks on the grade crossing of the Burlington tracks here, a joint effort of the railroad, city, county and an import-export company which will locate on the Missouri River bottom.

Railroad officials and a survey crew were here Monday. A. R. MacDonald, assistant superintendent of the Omaha division of the railroad, and L. R. Hall, assistant engineer, were here with the survey crew.

The crew staked grades for the crossing and the approach. The crossing will be just to the south of the present railroad depot. The depot will be moved

north and changes will be made in tracks so that all switching will be done north of the crossing.

Installation of the crossing will include signal lights whose purchase is being made by the railroad, city and Mid-America Co., the industry which will locate here.

The city is responsible for the street approach from the west, a continuation of Main Street. The county will be responsible for the east approach, a county road.

The east approach will be a gentle grade. The water plant road will be relocated to lead off the base of the east grade.

A parallel rail line, a continuation of the BUREX spur, will be installed to the switching point north of the new station which will be a 20 by 40-foot steel building.

Establishment of the grade crossing here is culmination of a lot of work by the County Dock Board, Chamber of Commerce and city and county officials.

It is felt the crossing will "open up" the river front to industrial development by firms which will use the river for transportation.

Allied Chemical became the first firm to ship by water out of here when it sent several barges of liquid nitrogen downriver from a new barge landing developed the past spring.

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The Salary Amendment

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is one of a series of 10 articles being published to inform voters about the nine proposals to amend the constitution of the State of Nebraska which will appear on the ballot at the general election in November. It is a service of the state press association.)

From Nebraska Press Assn. News Service

Voters will be asked, at the election November 4, whether salaries they approved for legislators in 1937 should continue to remain in force.

Since the salary is set forth in the constitution, an amendment is required to change it. The amendment reads this way on the ballot:

"Constitutional amendment to change the salary of members of the Legislature."

In 1934, when the constitutional amendment creating the one-house Legislature was approved by the voters, it was stated that salaries in the aggregate "shall be \$37,500 per annum, divided equally among the members and payable in such manner and at such time as shall be provided by law."

The amendment to be voted upon in November changes this to read that salaries in the aggregate "shall be \$75,000 per annum, divided equally among the members and payable in such manner and at such times as shall be provided by law."

This means that each legislator's salary will be raised from \$872 per year to \$1,744 per year. This is the only change, and if at some future time an additional increase is desired, the voters must again approve

or disapprove of a constitutional amendment.

In 1951 a proposal to increase the salary of legislators was approved by a majority of the voters, but the amendment lost because the votes in favor did not constitute 35 per cent of the total votes cast at the election.

Supporters of the amendment say expenses incurred by a legislator have increased a great deal since 1937. They also say

that many able and competent persons hesitate to file for the Legislature because of the low pay.

Most legislators do not expect to be highly paid for their services, but they do feel that their pay should cover their actual expenses and not require service at a financial sacrifice.

(Next week: The proposal to establish separate juvenile courts.)



DISTRICT OFFICERS — 1st District officers of the NFWC are, from left: Mrs. Landis Rulla, Sterling, 1st v-p; Mrs. Calvin Sterns, Raymond, 2nd v-p; Mrs. Attebery; Mrs. Ernest Norris, Avoca, 3rd v-p; Mrs. Fred Naber, Syracuse, treas.; Mrs. Loren Johnson, Verdon, parliamentarian; Mrs. Hugh Stander Jr., Plattsmouth, dist. dir. of juniors; Mary Nichols, Brock, sec.



NFWC OFFICERS — Shown above are officers of the Nebraska Federation of Women's Clubs, pictured during their convention here, from left: Mrs. J. R. Magnuson, Lincoln, education chairman; Mrs. Vern Lewis, Shubert, scholarship chr.; Mrs. E. J. Hunter, Grand Island, 1st v-p; Mrs. P. O. Marvel, Giltner, pres.; Mrs. Wm. Hasbroeck, West Point, General Federation sec.; Mrs. O. O. Attebery, Nehawka, 1st. Dist. pres.; Mrs. Francis Moles, Seward, director of juniors.

Masons Here Mark 100th Anniversary

In fitting manner the members of Plattsmouth Lodge No. 6 A F & A M at their centennial banquet Wednesday evening observed the 100th anniversary of their chartering.

The ladies of Home Chapter 189 of the Order of the Eastern Star had prepared the settings of the banquet hall and prepared and served the delicious repast. The tables at which the more than 200 members of the order were seated, had been arranged in keeping with the centennial with miniature ox wagons, the locomotives and then the rockets to mark the passing story of time.

The banquet was presided over by Raymond Lancaster of Murray, worshipful master for 1953 who presented the various participants on the program.

Charles Mead, past master, offered the invocation to open the most notable event.

During the banquet the guests enjoyed the musical offerings of the Eckberg Sisters a trio of popular vocalists from Omaha, who added their musical note to the event. Beverly Busk of Omaha

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