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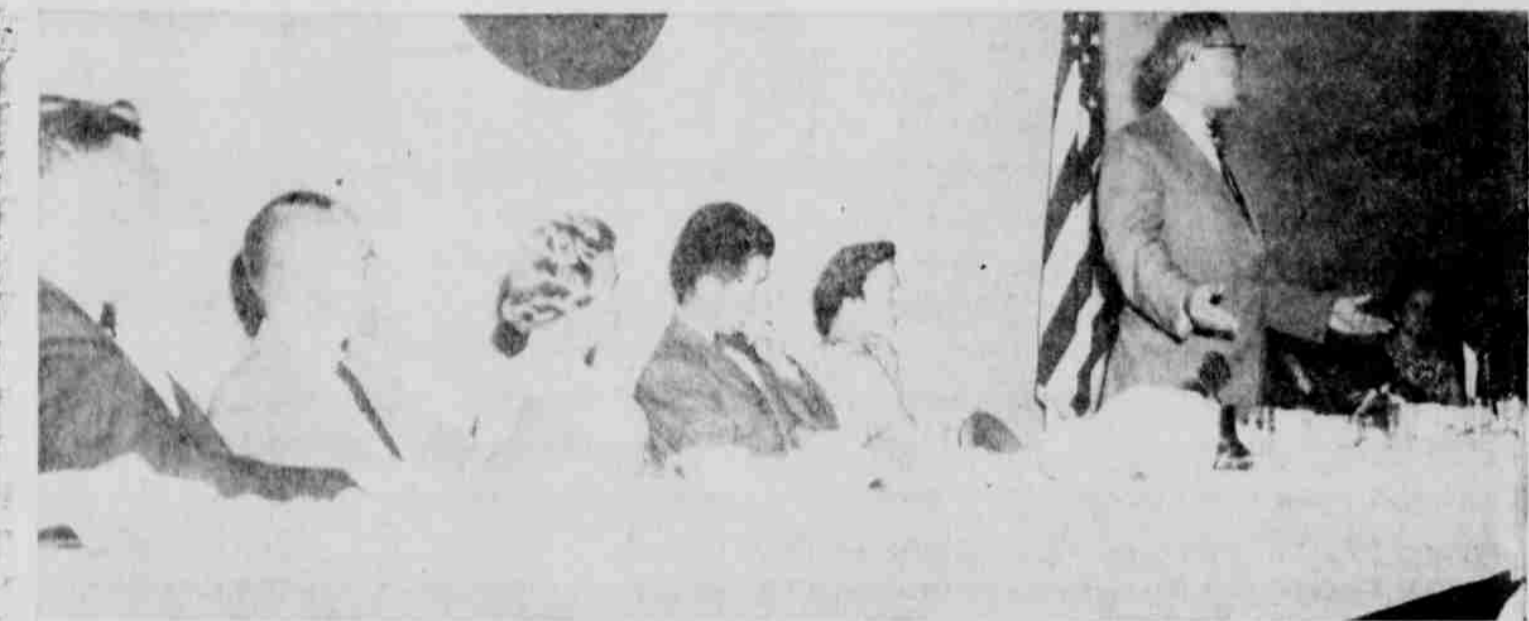
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YOU CAN BE PROUD of your project, Sen. Roman Hruska said here Friday night at the dedication of 3 flood dams. Shown at the head table at the dedication dinner from left are Paul Fauquet, local flood control administrator; County Attorney and Mrs. James Begley, Clem Wester, Mrs. Hruska, the senator and Mayor and Mrs. Grant Roberts.



'HILL CITY LAKE' — The new lake behind Dam 10-A was only about two hours old when this photo was taken looking northeast from the Missouri-Pacific RR track. Three boys are near the "island at center". They seemed to enjoy the water although it was thick. There were also two dogs in the muddy drink.

Showboat's Coming!

The Showboat's Coming. Not for a while yet but that's the theme for the King Korn Carnival parade this year and those who will enter floats may want to think about it a little for those last weeks go fast. The King Korn Klub believes the theme will give entrants a big field from which to choose float ideas. Boats, river navigation, minstrels, can-can dancers, showboat comedy routines or many other features connected with the show boat era are possibilities. The Merchants Parade will be Sept. 23. This year's Korn Carnival is the 27th annual event.

Louis D. Noble, 89 Dies, Weeping Water

Louis D. Noble, 89, of Weeping Water, died early today at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Frank Domingo. Survivors are four daughters, Mrs. Eva Snyder, Grand Island; Mrs. Minnie Roberts, Weeping Water; Miss Leah Noble, Lincoln; Mrs. Mildred Domingo, Weeping Water; two sons, Lawrence W., Grand Island; Louis, Weeping Water. Funeral services Wednesday morning at 10:30 at the Congregational church in Weeping Water. Hobson funeral home in charge of arrangements. Obituary will appear later.

Widening of Main Street Shown Wise In Friday Rainstorm

The widening of Main street some five years ago, really proved its wisdom Friday noon in the heavy wind and rain storm that swept over the community, and for a few moments gave the impression of one of the flash floods of years ago. There was some opposition when it was proposed to take off six feet from the sidewalk on Main street and give this additional width to the street, changing the design of the curbs and drainage of the street, but in the first real test given in the Friday storm it proved its value. On Sixth street where the street is the old width and high curbs the flood waters sweeping in largely from the north, reached over the curb in several places and later on during the high waters on the south side. Call Your News And Social Items to 241



MAIN STREET AFLOAT — This was the scene on Main between 5th and 4th Friday noon at about the height of the runoff of storm water. Oldtimers were heard to say, "This! Wait'll you really see some water!" That might be true but for a neophyte it was quite enough and it doesn't take a great deal of imagination to envision how the street would have looked if the 2 or 4 acres of water of 5 to 6 feet in depth had been in the flow instead of behind the dam above.

4.25 Billion Bushel Corn Crop Is Still in Prospect

As July reaches its last week, crop prospects are coming into focus for the current year. Winter wheat is one of the largest crops of the century; spring wheat production is one of the smallest crops in the last 20 years due to drought in the Dakotas; oats is the smallest crop in 20 years due to green bugs and disease; sorghum and soybeans both have reduced acreages and soybean prospects have been cut materially by drought in the most concentrated production area from Champaign to Quincy, Illinois. Corn stands pre-eminent among all farm crops with its record forecast crop of 4 1/2 billion bushels as of July 1st. Nothing has occurred to change the overall picture very much in July. The narrow band of drought across central Illinois has been relieved but slightly by scattered showers, but this area affects only a small per cent of total corn production. About mid-July, the farm reporter of Champaign, Illinois newspaper estimated farmers there were losing \$240 a day for each continuing day of drought—estimated 2 bushels loss daily on 120 acres of corn. Seed corn production areas indicate considerable range in

Doll Costume Winners Listed

Winners in the City Recreation doll costume contest are: Ages 7-9—1st, Vicky Winters; 2nd, Becki Tilson; 3rd, Twila Garrett. Ages 10-12—1st, Melissa Tooman; 2nd, Susan Rouse; 3rd, Juanita Davidson.

Frederick and John Haith Here

Airman Third Class Frederick Haith has departed for overseas after a 30-day furlough here with his parents and brothers. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Haith, he has been stationed at Gunter AFB in Alabama and was flown to South Carolina after the leave to go to Africa where he will be stationed for two years. He is a firefighter. While the airman was home, he was joined here by his brother John who is a student at Syracuse University, New York.

THE WEATHER
July 30, 31, Aug. 1, 2, 1959

Date	High	Low	Prec.
Thursday	93	73	.00
Friday	90	64	1.60
Saturday	84	63	1.50
Sunday	88	68	.90

Forecast: Partly cloudy tonight. High's in lower 90's. Sun sets at 7:39; rises Tuesday at 5:21 a.m.

'Hill City' Project Dedicated Friday . . . Not by a Dam Site Downpour Points Up Value of Structures

Plattsmouth dedicated its first flood control dam and saw their need demonstrated Friday. The demonstration was unbidden as far as anyone here was concerned as upwards of 3 inches of rain fell in a period of 30 to 45 minutes beginning shortly before noon. The rain had Main Street nearly curbed for 30 minutes and the storm washed nearly every street not hard-surfaced to some extent or a lot. The brief savage storm did widespread if mostly minor damage to trees, gardens and homes. Also, the storm forced moving of the dam dedication from the Dam 10-A site in west Plattsmouth indoors to the Lions Community Building. But, Friday noon's downpour and frightening runoff was still fresh in everyone's mind and the dedication in the presence of some 100 persons was effective. Clem Wester was emcee. The new dam site and area which will become a city park was dedicated "Hill City Dam and Park" in a sentence-long ceremony pronounced by Mrs. Roman Hruska, wife of principal speaker Roman Hruska of Omaha, Nebraska senator in Congress. A prayer of dedication was said by Msgr. Joseph Prudzik of St. John's Catholic Church. Before and afterward were several short addresses which recounted the history of flood control here and of the benefits derived from the 10-dam program, the first 3-dam phase of which was dedicated Friday night. Sen. Hruska said the project was "a success at noon today," referring to the heavy rain that had Main and other streets awash. The storm also put about two or three acres of water into a pool behind Dam 10-A, ranging to 5 to 6 feet deep. Rainfall at the dam site was measured at 3.10 inches. The senator commended the people of Plattsmouth and cooperating conservation and government agencies for the project. It wasn't quick because "big things take a long time to grow," he said. Sen. Hruska referred to Plattsmouth in another way and at the same time got in a comment on foreign aid spending and feeling toward America abroad. Talking of mob violence which greeted Vice President Nixon on a visit to Venezuela, he said: "Just think of it? Here was the official representative of the U.S. on a good will tour and this is how he was treated." (Stones were thrown and the cars of the party shaken, pounded and spit on.) In the vice president's party was the president of the Import-Export Bank which makes foreign loans. It was a comment of the latter quoted from an article which referred to Plattsmouth. The bank president was asked how he felt when the mob came at the American motor party. He replied that it was like a feeling he'd had in Plattsmouth, Neb., when a wall of water came down Main Street, sweeping everything before it, one felt so helpless. Sen. Hruska said that while the cost of the dam projects is great the saving to the community will be \$13,000 to \$14,000 a year, which is the estimated annual damage of all sorts from water runoff here. On foreign aid, he said such loans should be "hard-nosed" and "show a return." The senator was introduced by County Attorney James Begley. Other distinguished guests were introduced by R. R. Furse. They included city and county officials, county and state conservation agency representatives and others. Mayor Grant Roberts gave a welcome to the guests and said he hoped the bad floods of the "past here will only be "horrible memories." Paul Fauquet, flood control administrator for the Plattsmouth watershed, traced the history of the program here. First activity to promote a program followed a disastrous flood in 1947. Investigation, he said, showed the way to control water was not to dig a deeper ditch or build a bigger sewer but to hold back the runoff. Efforts of a volunteer flood control committee with the help of the Soil Conservation Service got a program outlined, resulted finally in inclusion in a program under federal law and the start of preliminary work in April, 1948. First work was terracing of land on the Henry Schneider farm south of Valley View. Further terracing in advance of dam construction then set the stage for building of structures. Fauquet said the program got 100 per cent cooperation from city, county and state levels of government and conservation agencies, also great cooperation from local persons. He said he hoped any of the latter who had failed to do a fair share in the initial projects would help with the others. Pearl Finnigan, director of the state department of agriculture, brought brief greetings from Gov. Ralph Brooks who was enroute to the Governors Conference. (Continued on Page 6)

Rainfall Totals 4.90 Inches Here Friday to Sunday

Rainfall here Friday, Saturday and Sunday totaled 4.90 inches, as measured by Schreiner Drug Store. Most everyone thought Friday's 2.46 (or 3.10 as measured by engineers at the 10-A dam site) was quite sufficient. But, then the second nor'easter arrived, this one just before 5 p.m. Saturday. It appeared to be a twin of the Friday noon storm but gusty winds at the start didn't have the force or lasting quality of the earlier storm. It did bring 1.55 inches of rain and wind and lightning caused some additional trouble on rural phone and power lines. And, it added another acre to "Hill City Lake." Also, it dirtied up many of the places, sewer intakes and street intersections, the city street crew had labored Friday and Saturday to police. A Burlington freight train was held up here for a time Saturday evening by a clay bank slide across the track near Louisville. A work crew and machinery from Lincoln were sent out to clear the line. Saturday's runoff had Main Street almost full again and 6th Street and the avenues were curb-full. Sunday's contribution to the rainfall total was .89 inch, coming in a less violent storm from the southwest. Rain began about 3 a.m., lasted until nearly 6. Main Street looked more normal with "only" 8 or 10 foot streams on each side. A weather forecast of mostly fair for today and tonight was welcomed.



HEY! — Bales of hay were tossed by Friday's wind across a fence into a ditch, even across Highway 66 at the Ralph Wehrlein farm west of here. Herman Hennings of this city was witness of the flight of the baled hay. He was at his farm west of Plattsmouth. Passing the Ralph Wehrlein farm he was startled to see bale after bale of hay come rolling down the hill, through the fence and into a drainage ditch.



MYNARD DAMAGE — At a residence owned by Myron Wiles in the east part of the Mynard community, the wind demolished a shed and an "early American half-bath." No one lives on the place at present.