

# EDITORIALS

## Our Highway Program

The Federal Interstate Highway program is to be the subject of legislation in the last session of the 86th Congress. It is such a vast program, involving such vast sums of money, that every American citizen should be interested.

Senator Harry F. Byrd, Virginia Democrat, who is chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, has recently been in correspondence with the Secretary of Commerce, concerning the program.

Among other things, Senator Byrd believes that costs have risen too steeply in estimates on the program, and he points out that:

"You will recall that the Clay Commission, in 1954, estimated the Interstate System basically would cost \$23,000,000,000. This estimate was revised to \$27.6 billion in 1955. Now the program has been revised and the estimate raised to \$39.9 billion.

"This is an increase of \$16.9 billion or more than seventy-three per cent in five years. And State Highway officials have testified that only about a fourth of the increase has been due to the twelve per cent rise in cost of materials and labor. The rest has been due largely to change in designs and expansion of the program.

"On the basis of the kind of expense we have had with the Interstate System to date, it is not difficult for me to foresee costs rising to a point in excess of \$50,000,000,000 by 1975, for the presently scheduled 'completion date.'

Secretary F. H. Mueller, of the Commerce Department, has replied agreeing that costs must be held down. He appears, with Byrd, for a sane, sound program by Congress, which will not allow costs to continue to rise. In 1958, it will be remembered, we departed from the 'pay as you go' method of financing the huge highway program, and it would be well for the country to get back on a pay-as-you-go basis.

It is desirable for the gas tax increase to eventually be eliminated, and that temporary diversions of general revenue to the Highway Trust Fund should not become permanent. The history of highway-building in most of the states shows that highway systems are never adequate, that these are constantly changing, and that it is most difficult to build in anticipation of advanced needs twenty years hence.

Crash programs in highway building, with huge borrowed sums of money, on which huge interest payments must be made, are undesirable, and the pay-as-you-go method is obviously the best. We hope Byrd and Mueller and others interested in sound government financing will win their fight to keep the Federal Interstate System on the right track.

## Down Memory Lane

### 20 YEARS AGO

Keith Goble and Richard Thompson of Omaha were arranged in county court on the charge of grand larceny in

connection with the theft of a calf from the farm of Arthur Weiss northwest of this city. The men made a plea of not guilty and were bound over to the district court. Bond was fixed at \$500 which was supplied. Marquise Thompson of Omaha was charged with cattle stealing and plea of not guilty and was bound over to the district court.—William Kelly, well known farmer of Mt. Pleasant precinct, was seriously injured at his home when he fell, while carrying wood into the house. He was treated by Dr. L. S. Pucelik and it was found that the hip was broken. He was taken to St. Joseph hospital in Omaha.—Cameron Cathey, 48, a resident of near Murray for the greater part of his lifetime, died at Waterloo, Ia, as result of a heart attack. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Cathey of near Murray. He was engaged in the automobile business at Waterloo, Mrs. Cathey, the former Pheme Richardson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Richardson of Mynard, with two children survive.—The Missouri Pacific station at Elmwood reported the temperature at 16 below zero.—The Plattsmouth high school basketball team met defeat at the hands of the Havelock high team by the score of 53 to 37 on the local court.—Miss Maxine Nielsen has been engaged as stenographer in the office of Searl S. Davis. Miss Nielsen fills the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Miss Price, now Mrs. Willard Brink, who had worked in the Davis office for three years.—The attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. William J. O'Brien at South Bend, was destroyed by fire. This has been one of the outstanding homes in that portion of the county.—Mrs. Frank Slatinsky, Mrs. Albert Schiessl and Miss Elizabeth Schmidt of Sedalia, Mo., entertained at a birthday party in honor of Miss Theresa Slatinsky honoring her 12th anniversary. Guests were Marjorie Devoe, Vivian Kalasek, Phyllis Taenzler, Raymond Larson, Phyllis Bourcek, Phyllis Schiessl, Audrey Dow, Josephine Sedlak, Florene Duda, Joan Hall, Joan Duda, Elizabeth Davis, Dorothy Campbell, Leon McCarty, Richard Soennichsen, Bobbie Hall, Ann Martin.

### 30 YEARS AGO

E. H. Spangler of Mynard has been presented a solid gold medal as a Master Farmer, a reward presented by the Nebraska Farmer in a contest among the farmers of Nebraska for their outstanding service in agriculture.—The state supreme court has admitted to practice in the state Mrs. Willie L. Dwyer and Rev. H. E. Sorter both of this city. Rev. Sorter has the advantage that he can both marry the parties or aid them in securing release from wedlock.—Elmwood had visitation from burglars that called at the lumber yard office and at one of the filling stations. They failed to secure any money from registers and failed in attempts to break into the safes at either place.—Frank Gradoville, athletic coach at Schuyler high school, while visiting in Omaha, left his new car parked on the streets for a few moments while he ran into see a friend, leaving the keys in the car, when he returned the car was missing.—Edwin Jeary, 79, died at his home in Lincoln. He was founder of three Nebraska banks, organizing the first banks at Elmwood, Greenwood and Staplehurst.



## LETTER BOX

To The Plattsmouth Journal: I am sure the taxpayers who presented their petition to the County Commissioners protesting the present situation in the road department, appreciate the coverage you gave to the hearing before the Board on Jan. 5. However, I feel that more specific information that was elicited at the hearing should be given the public, and therefore, I would appreciate space in your columns. As to the qualifications of Mr. Clark, as County Road Superintendent. The statute provides that, in addition to duly licensed engineers, "any other person who is a competent, experienced, practical road builder, shall be qualified to serve as

meister, deceased, by causing the same to be published for three successive weeks in the Plattsmouth Journal, a weekly newspaper printed and published in Cass County, Nebraska. Dated this 7th day of January, 1960.

BY THE COURT: John M. Dierks District Judge No. 4639 — Jan. 14, 21, 28, 1960.

CITY COUNCIL Meeting of December 28, 1959 Council Chamber City Hall City Council met in regular session at 7:30 o'clock P. M. with the following present: Mayor Grant Roberts, Councilmen L. W. Moore, A. W. Huebner, C. W. Rhylander. Absent: Councilman Wm. G. Highfield.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A representative of the Association Ins. Co. was present and discussed a hospitalization plan for city employees.

Motion carried that the re-appointment of John Clويد Sr. as a member of the Bd. of Public Works for a three year term be approved and bond be approved.

Motion carried to purchase two spot lights and nozzle for the Fire Dept.

Motion carried that official bond of Donald C. Gerbeling as Police Officer be approved.

Motion carried that permission be granted to O. W. Finney to excavate for sanitary sewer service to the properties of T. A. Engles, Arthur Reimers & Ray Walton subject to requirements.

Motion carried that Police Judge reports for the weeks ending Dec. 19 & 26, 1959 be accepted and placed on file.

Motion carried that Parking Meter collections for the weeks ending Dec. 21 & 28, 1959 reported as \$220.00 & \$132.00 respectively be accepted as read.

Motion carried that the following claims be allowed as audited by the Finance Committee.

GENERAL FUND: Sal. St. & Pol. Depts. 1/2 mo. Fred Tesch Jr. \$187.50 Sebert Little 162.50 Richard Saxer 142.50 William S. Wetenskap 142.50 Donald Gerbeling 142.50 Elmer Gochenour 187.50 St. Workers 1/2 mo. 129.90 Martin Sheldon 138.73 Alfred Conn 136.40 Harold Bobenmoyer 140.80 Richard Saxer 36.00 Extra St. Work 75.00 Camera - Pol. Dept. 6.39 Anderson Equipment Rep. - St. Dept. 126.00 Sup. - St. Sylvester Schuster Rep. - Pol. Dept. 5.00 Biles Paint Store 3.17 Consumers Public Power Lighting 353.53 Plattsmouth Journal Pub. 16.53 Travelers Ins. Co. 56.70 Ins. prem. Erna Yenny 100.00 Sal 1/2 mo. GAS TAX FUND: Rep. St. Dept. 7.50 Land Paving Co. 59.50 Sup. St. Dept. Precision Bearing & Transmission Co. 4.41 Rep. St. Dept. 48.00 Loyd Holman 48.00 Sand St. Dept. PARKING METER FUND: Paul Liedtke 50.00 Sal. 1 mo. meter servicing No further business, motion carried, meeting adjourn.

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think that because Mr. Clark has handled heavy machinery for many years, that was a qualification.

It was only after persistent questioning, and attempts to sidestep the truth, that Mr. Clark finally admitted that he had used the county low-boy to move his private bull-dozer in his own private enterprise. He did say "there are times when the county can save money and time by moving this equipment itself" (Ed. note: these were The Journal's words) but on repeated questioning, finally admitted that the county did not benefit at all. And he drove the low-boy to move his equipment on county time.

Mr. Clark did state that he was not giving preference in the road work, but facts as presented were, that there are some long established mail routes and roads over which school buses travel, that have stretches where there is no grading or rock; that mail carriers and buses must either detour or run the risk of being stuck. Robert Schlechteimer charged, and Mr. Clark did not deny it, that he had rocked and graded on a mail route, right up to the edge of District No. 1, and stopped; and when Mr. Schlechteimer called him about it, Mr. Clark told him that he was not going to grade or rock that road.

Unimportant roads, for instance, a road leading to the farm of . . . (name omitted) . . . Clark had ever had the responsibility of a road program, or that he ever engaged in road building. Mr. Todd seemed to

THE PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA, SEMI-WEEKLY JOURNAL PAGE TWO Section B Thursday, January 14, 1960

## What Is Best Plowing Depth For Nebraska?

LINCOLN—Nebraska studies indicates nearly equal yields when land is plowed at depths of 4, 5, 7 and 10 inches, states J. C. Swinbank, Extension agronomist at the College of Agriculture.

Similar results were obtained in Illinois for both spring and fall plowing at depths ranging from 3 to 14 inches. Cast figures showed that the cost of plowing 12 inches deep was about 3 times greater than plowing 5 to 6 inches deep.

In a few cases the yields from deep plowing have been slightly more than for medium depths but the added yields has not been enough to make up for extra expense of deep plowing. The experiments indicate that under Nebraska conditions there is nothing to be gained by plowing more than 5 1/2 to 7 inches deep, Swinbank points out.

## HEARING RESTORED

Marshfield, Wis. — A bullet in his head has restored the hearing of Robert W. Maurer, 38, doctors said. He was shot while hunting, the bullet lodging under his eye.

A concussion had impaired Maurer's hearing during World War II, but since he was shot he can hear distinctly, the doctors reported.

(Mrs.) W. L. Dwyer Weeping Water

# PUBLIC SALE

As I am moving to Plattsmouth, Nebraska, I will sell the following described property at Public Auction at the farm located 6 miles West, 2 miles South and 1/2 mile West of Murray or 5 miles East, 1 mile North and 1/2 mile East of Weeping Water on . . .

## FRIDAY JANUARY 22.

Starting at 10:30 A. M.

Lunch will be served on the grounds

## 59 HEAD OF LIVESTOCK 59

14 Hereford cows due to freshen in the spring;  
20 Landrace-Wiltshire cross gilts due to farrow in March and bred to Yorkshire boar.

3 Wiltshire sows to farrow in March, bred to Yorkshire boar.  
22 head of feeder pigs.

1000 bales of 1st, 2nd and 3rd cutting of Alfalfa Hay in barn.

## - MACHINERY -

1940 IHC "M" Tractor, in good shape;  
2-M IHC corn pickers;  
2-H.M. 46 listers;  
2-IHC No. 238 Cultivators;  
John Deere press drill, 16 hole with grass seeder;  
2 John Deere mounted go digs;  
John Deere 15 ft. disc;  
IHC 15 ft. disc;  
8 ft. disc;  
IHC 3-section harrow;  
40 ft. Myers elevator, on rubber with 16 ft. spout;  
Stan Hoist;  
2 wagons, on rubber, with large boxes;  
1 steel gear and box;  
Gear on rubber with flat rack;  
2 sets of markers;  
Loose ground attachment for H-M 46 lister;  
Set of disc carriers;

1942 Allis Chalmers Combine  
1939 Allis Chalmers Combine  
Case single row snapper;  
IHC No. 25 mower;  
IHC 4-bar hay rake;  
IHC 3-14 plow on rubber;  
IHC 2-14 plow;  
IHC Ronnie ensilage field cutter;  
David Bradley hammer mill;  
Single front wheel for "M" tractor;  
14 x 26 ft. Hen House;  
12 x 14 ft. Brooder House, good;  
2-3 pen hog houses;  
2 pen hog house;  
Blue Fertilizer attachment for cultivator;  
IHC Fertilizer attachment for cultivator;  
1 ton chain hoist;  
1 set of disc hillers;  
4 Cylinders;  
Speed Jack;

## - Miscellaneous -

Post drill; Post driver; 3 tractor umbrellas; hammer mill belts; 50 ties; feed bunk; 3 wooden troughs; 1 steel hog trough; hog water tank, with heater; 2 sets of galvanized hen nests, (10 nests each); several wooden nests; 25 wooden panels; butchering kettle; lard press; dog house; electric brooder; several heat lamps; 4 bulb brooder; 50 rods woven wire; 3-300 gal fuel tanks on stands.

TERMS: CASH DAY OF SALE

AUCTIONEER'S NOTE: This is an EXTRA GOOD lot of Machinery, Hogs and Cattle.

# Roy M. Chriswisher, Owner

YOUNG & LACY, Auctioneers

MURRAY STATE BANK, Clerk

## LEGAL NOTICES

SMITH & LEBENS, Attorneys Plattsmouth, Nebraska NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASS COUNTY, NEBRASKA IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARTHUR STEINKAMP, DECEASED.

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ESTATE OF ARTHUR STEINKAMP, DECEASED: Take notice that a petition has been filed, alleging among other things, that Arthur Steinkamp has absented himself from his usual place of residence and concealed his whereabouts from his family for a period of over seven years, and, in fact, for over twenty years; that Jane Steinkamp is the sole surviving parent of the said Arthur Steinkamp and the only person who would be entitled to share in his estate, and praying for a determination that Arthur Steinkamp is deceased, and that letters of administration be granted to Edward Steinkamp as administrator; that said petition has been set for hearing before said Court on the 26th day of January, 1960, at ten o'clock A.M.

Dated November 24, 1959. BY THE COURT Raymond J. Case County Judge

No. 4589 — Nov. 26, Dec. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 1959, Jan. 7, 14, 1960.

BAYLOR, EVNEN, BAYLOR & URBOM, Attorneys 1204 Sharp Bldg. Lincoln, Nebr.

NOTICE OF PROBATE IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASS COUNTY, NEBRASKA To all persons interested in the estate of William B. Buntin deceased, No. 4933: Take notice that a petition has been filed for the probate of an instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, and for the appointment of Orin Lanning as Executor thereof; that said petition has been set for hearing before said Court on the 28th day of January 1960, at 10 A. M.

Dated January 6th, 1960. (SEAL) Raymond J. Case County Judge

No. 4638 — Jan. 7, 14, 21, 1960.

EDWIN T. McHUGH, Attorney Murdock, Nebraska NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

To the creditors of the estate of Nettie Brunkow deceased, No. 4914: Take notice that the time limit for the filing and presentation of claims against said estate is April 18th, 1960; that a hearing will be had at the County Court room in Plattsmouth on April 25th, 1960 at ten o'clock a.m. for the purpose of examining, hearing, allowing and adjusting all claims or objections duly filed.

Dated December 29th, 1959. (SEAL) Raymond J. Case County Judge

No. 4627 — Dec. 31, 1959, Jan. 7, 14, 1960.

HAROLD C. ELLIOTT, Attorney Weeping Water, Nebraska NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

To the creditors of the estate of Frank Riester deceased, No. 4924: Take notice that the time limit for the filing and presentation of claims against said estate is April 18th, 1960; that a hearing will be had at the County Court room in Plattsmouth on April 25th, 1960 at ten o'clock a.m. for the purpose of examining, hearing, allowing and adjusting all claims or objections duly filed.

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No. 4628 — Dec. 31, 1959, Jan. 7, 14, 1960.

SMITH & LEBENS, Attorneys Plattsmouth, Nebraska NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF CASS COUNTY, NEBRASKA To all persons interested in the estate of Ida Patton deceased, No. 4896: Take notice that the Executrix of said estate has filed her final report and a petition for examination and allowance of her accounts, determination of heirship, inheritance Tax and distribution of said estate and for her discharge, which will be heard before said Court on January 25th 1960 at ten o'clock a.m.

Dated January 4th, 1960. (SEAL) Raymond J. Case County Judge

No. 4635 — Jan. 7, 14, 21, 1960.

CLAUDE D. LUTTON, JR., AU. Ashland, Nebr. ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CASS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

In the Matter of ) Dec. 16 Page 149 of Estate of Carl ) No. 11792 Hofmeister, ) deceased

Now, on this 7th day of January 1960, the same being one of the days of the regular November, 1959 Term of Court, this cause came on for hearing upon the petition of Kenneth Marcy, Administrator of the Estate of Carl Hofmeister, deceased, praying for a license to sell Lots 31, 32 and 33, in Block 3, in the Village of South Bend, Nebraska, and the following out-lots to the Village of South Bend, Nebraska: Lot 21 and Sub-lot 1 of Lot 22, in the SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 13, Township 12 North, Range 10, East of the 6th P.M., in Cass County, Nebraska, for the purpose of paying the debts and claims allowed against said estate, and the costs of administration, for the reason that there is not sufficient personal property in the hands of said administrator belonging to the Carl Hofmeister Estate to pay said debts and claims and costs of administration, and alleging that said described real estate is not exempt from sale by reason of being the family homestead or for any other reason.

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Attest: Albert Olson City Clerk No. 4644 — Jan. 14, 1960.