

# Nehawka News

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**GRASS, GRASS, GRASS** — Except for Football Coach Bill Hawkins, it was all grass at the High School Athletic Field last week when this picture was taken. That's the way it's supposed to be on the newly redone gridiron where play-

## 'Bill's Pasture' Will Be Joy To Many This Fall

An important but small piece of grass acreage got a lot of attention this summer and promises to be a real treat this fall.

It's the 120-odd by 80-odd feet of turf at the High School Athletic Field.

The field was re-done since last football season—plowed, worked, sowed, fertilized, sprinkled and nursed until now it looks like perhaps the best bank of gridiron in the Twin Rivers Football Conference in which Plattsouth High plays.

Football Coach Bill Hawkins took the field on as his own personal charge this summer and spent many an hour seeing the precious seedlings were sprinkled and mowed.

Bill's proud of his "pasture"

and feels the time, lots of it his own, was well spent.

"The kids who play and the people who watch deserve a good field," is the way Bill expresses it.

The coach says it would be better if the grass were given a year without playing on it to find deeper root and get more substantial.

But, he plans to keep off it with cleats as much as possible, practicing whenever feasible on the upper practice field and using sneakers when possible on the new grass.

People may get a preview of the field and team prospects at a night intra-squad game, Hawkins says.

He gives a lot of credit in the way the field has turned out to Don Hansen, vo-ag instructor and his FFA Chapter at the school, whose members did the plowing, disking and sowing. Hansen, too, saw to it that soil tests were taken and fertilizer of just the right kind applied.

The field was fertilized four times and the good stand of

ing conditions will be the best ever this fall. Hawkins was adjusting a sprinkler, a chore he repeated hundreds of times this summer in caring for the new grass.

grass is evidence of the value of plant food.

Right now, the grass is tall for maximum growth and rooting but Hawkins soon will mow it close lengthwise of the field and cut shorter swaths along the 10-yard markers the other way.

By the time the Blue Devils take the field against Tecumseh Sept. 9 in their opener here, the field will be marked with lime and will present an appearance that should be a joy to anyone who watched play last year, particularly the memorable Crete mudfest.

Hawkins has done the mowing chore himself this summer (it takes 4 to 5 hours a time with the schools' rotary riding mower).

Ron Boardman, a tackle who will be on the squad again this year, also has helped out to keep weeds in check.

Hawkins who is also athletic director says the plan is to add a crushed rock walkway along the south edge of the field to the permanent stands.

Besides providing a dustless entrance and dry walkway, it'll be a nice border for "Bill's Pasture."

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## Deer Hunters Will Have Work Cut Out

LINCOLN — Deer hunters this year are going to have to "go some" to match the kill scores they set in previous years.

Nebraska is above the national average in deer hunter success, ranking above most Great Lakes states and southern states. Since 1949, Nebraskans have averaged 68 per cent dead shots; in 1958, rifle toters scored a whopping 80 per cent.

This year the Game Commission has authorized 14,000 rifle permits for a November 5 through 9 season in 16 different deer units. To date, 9,383 applications have been received. Only two areas are closed to further application—the Omaha and Lower Missouri units.

Bow hunters start afield in less than a month—September 10. They hunt till December 31, taking a break during rifle season. The entire state is open; any deer, any sex, is legal. To date, 290 applications have been processed.

Archers, too, are proud of their state's score. Two years ago Nebraskans ranked third in the nation in archery kill. They slipped last year from 19 per cent to 15 when many more bowmen went into the field.

Nebraska's first deer season was held in the Halsey National Forest in 1945. Since then it has year lapse, a hunt was scheduled again in 1949. Since then it has been annual. During this time 62,000 permits were issued, with 42,000 deer taken.

In five seasons the success has topped 70 per cent. The lowest was last year's 57 per cent. The largest take of deer was in 1957, when 12,174 hunters took 8,450 animals. Hunting success that year was 70 per cent.

## Merry Maids Have Achievement Day

AVOCA (Special) — The North Branch Merry Maids 4-H held their achievement day at the Glenn Stubbendick home.

Leaders are Mrs. Glenn Stubbendick and Mrs. Fred Heine. Mothers and grandmothers were guests and 40 were present. The members presented a program and served the lunch.

Each member was presented a green apron by her leader.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Little, Weeping Water, observed their 57th wedding anniversary Aug. 12. Due to ill health they had a quiet day with their daughters, Mrs. Leonard Klemme of Murdoch and Mrs. George Dickman of Nehawka and their husbands with them.

Mr. and Mrs. George McFadden, Lincoln, were guests Thursday evening of the Ellis Lacys. Mrs. Lacy spent Monday with Mrs. Jerry Harshman of Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lyons and family spent the day Sunday with the Francis Lechner family of Union.

Mrs. Lester Burr and three children of Johnson accompanied Mrs. Graydon Duncan, Sunne and Mary Alice to Hamilton, Mo., where they visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Argabright for several days the past week. Miss Marilyn Meyer of Omaha was a guest Friday of the Duncans.

Mrs. Fred Beatty entertained the Nemon club of Julian at cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Whipple and three daughters left Thursday for their home at Reseda, Calif. after a visit with relatives and friends in this vicinity. They were house guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Brandt.

There was a meeting of the executive board of the WSCS of the Methodist church at the home of Mrs. Emma Nutzman Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Oscar Gooden and three children of Stratton, Colo. were guests this week of her mother, Mrs. Visa Brown and son, Paul. They were guests Thursday of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Cooper of Nebraska City Thursday.

Roy Sanders of San Francisco was a guest this week of Mr. and Mrs. John Bucholz. The Bucholz family and their guest visited at the Ralph Johnson home at Humboldt Wednesday and Mr. Sanders visited his sister, Mrs. Jeanetta Cole, who is assisting at the Johnson home during Mrs. Johnson convalescence.

Mrs. Ernest Kropp, who has been hospitalized for many weeks, has a birthday Aug. 21. Let's have a card shower for her. She is at St. Mary's hospital in Nebraska City.

Mr. and Mrs. George Olive and three children, Morrilton, N. Jersey and J. H. Steffens of Lincoln were recent callers of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wolph.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Heesch and Tamara returned from Estes Park, Colo. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Aldean Grundman and family at Kimball, Nebr. and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Lewis and family at Alliance.

Kelly Thome took M. E. McDonald to Veterans Hospital in Lincoln by ambulance Thursday.

Mrs. Wildon Switzer broke her knee cap when she fell as she stepped from the door at her home, Monday. She is at home and is on crutches.

Mrs. Marion Kibourne and daughter, Cheryl of Sunnyvale, Calif. and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Horstman, Lorton were dinner guests Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Trimble, Judy and Wally, Gothenburg, Nebr. were guests overnight Friday of Mr. and Mrs. Vance Balfour and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Geisler and son, Gaylon, Hays Center,

Nebr. and the Ed Fullerton family of Lincoln were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Barkhurst. Miss Esther Barkhurst, camp nurse at the Camp Catron for the past seven weeks has returned to her office in Lincoln. She will begin a three weeks vacation August 15 and will spend part of the time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Barkhurst.

Mrs. Laura Poulos is making satisfactory improvement at St. Mary's Hospital in Nebraska City following surgery several weeks ago. Her guests at the hospital recently have been her son, Louis and family of San Fernando, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Claude Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Gillespie of California; Mrs. Harley Fledder, Mr. Clyde Howard, Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. George Poulos and Sharon, Auburn; Mrs. Arnold Bets, Nebraska City and Miss Eleanor Easter.

Elaine and Karen Hansen were guests the past week of Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Simonds of Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hansen and family left for their home at Ainsworth Wednesday after spending ten days with John Hansen and Frances.

Mr. and Mrs. Kent Balfour and family were guests Friday of the Frank Hobscheids of Union. Sunday guests of the Balfours were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Haupt and family of Union, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Stapert and Sandra.

Mrs. Louie Allgayer and children spent the past week in Omaha with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hunter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Krupa and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Meyers and visited at the Mansholt and Skars homes. Mrs. Ray Mayfield and sons, Garland were guests Friday of the Allgayer and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Shrader.

Mary Ann Hall of Elmwood spent several days this week with Susan and Carol Balfour.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mook, Gary Everett of Lincoln, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Everett and family spent Sunday at Fremont on a picnic and boating.

Mr. and Mrs. James Gilley were dinner guests of the Everetts Wednesday evening.

Roger Dodson, who works at KNCY in Nebraska City was home for the day Friday.

Ralph Snavely and Bill of Alvo were guests Thursday evening of the John Chandlers.

Mrs. Homer Corasman and twin daughters, Karen and Kristy of Omaha were guests Monday of her mother, Mrs. Gertrude Carper.

Terry Briley and Steve Seoll, who are working at a missile base at York, Nebr. were home Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Russell Sell and Pat of Essex, Iowa joined them for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Deterding, Murray were guests Sunday afternoon and evening of the Jake Staperts.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Meyer and family of Torrance, Calif. were guests the past week of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Meyer. They came for the wedding of James Meyer and Joan Stuckenholz on August 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stapert and Mr. Orville Gooden, Beaumont, Tex. were guests for several days the first of the week of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Stapert and Sandra. Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Thompson and Connie were supper guests Tuesday and Connie remained for the remainder of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Knutsen, St. Paul, Minn. were their guests for dinner Friday evening and overnight.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Redden and family left Thursday for Bland, Mo. to spend the weekend with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Henning Johnson visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Martin of Crab Orchard, Wednesday. Mrs. Martin fell recently and broke the small bone in her leg. It is in a cast.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Mitchell, Martel, Nebr. were guests Saturday of the Harry Knabe home.

Charles Akins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Akins was eight years old Sunday. His afternoon party guests were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Kleinweber, Henry and Pamela, Nebraska City; Mrs. Fannie Akins, Tommy Mitchell, Robbie Ross, Terry Pollard, Richard Fornoff, John Schlichtemeier, Gail Adkins and Charles' brothers and sisters.

Forty attended the Maple Grove picnic Sunday at the Tucker Park. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. George Olive, and family, Morrilton, N. Jersey; Mrs. Emily Olive, Weeping Water; Mrs. Maudie Giles, Nebraska City; Carol Lenley, Bill Cook, Omaha; Gary, Linda, Mary Jo and Tommy Zech, Douglas; Dan Anderson, George Sheldon, Henry Ross, Marion Tucker, Barby and Bonnie Mayfield.



**CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHIES** — Trophies for Al McClanahan (shown at left). At right, Smoek is shown with Shorty Cole, right, who had just awarded Sunday after final games at Pollock Field. At left, Chamber of Commerce President won the Pee Wee League season title and the Harold Smoek is handing the Midget League playoffs. Also shown is Ray Simons, director of the Chamber-sponsored baseball program.

## NEWS FROM AVOCA

**Mrs. Henry Maseman**

Mrs. Vernon Dettmer and Nadine Sue came home from Bryan Memorial Hospital Wednesday.

Mrs. Elvin Emshoff and girls and Mrs. Seegel were in Weeping Water to visit Mrs. Philip Miller who has been ill. Mrs. Seegel and Mrs. Miller are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Zaiser were in Omaha Sunday at the Henry Condiner home to help Mr. Condiner celebrate his birthday.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stevens Farnum at Gothenberg Hospital Aug. 8. The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert High, Bertrand and great grandmother Mrs. Chris Nutzman, Bertrand. They have another daughter Nancy.

Steven Carsten returned home last week from Springfield, Mo., where he had visited at the Wm. Berger Home. He and Mike attended a ball game. Mr. Berger former minister here is teaching history at Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bredencamp are visiting in New York this week.

Fred Haveman returned from Brown Hospital Nebraska City. He fell from a ladder while painting and suffered several broken ribs.

The Jolly Homemakers 4-H Club held their July meeting with Shirley Meyer. They made plans for a float at the County

Calif. and will be guests of Mrs. Edmonds sister, Mrs. Inez Hessler. They plan to locate in that area.

Mrs. Ackley and children of Peru will accompany them to California and return on the train in time for Mrs. Ackley to attend classes at Peru State college.

The Edmonds lived at Nehawka 12 years. He was a mechanic at the Hansen garage. Ellis Lacey conducted a sale of their household goods Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Murdoch and family of Union will move into the house vacated by the Edmonds.

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**Edmonds Family Leaves Nehawka**

NEHAWKA (Special) — Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Edmonds and Danny left Saturday for Brock to spend the night with John Edmonds and Ethel and other relatives. They spent Sunday night with their daughter, Mrs. Gladys Ackley and three children at Peru.

Monday they planned to drive to California to make their home. It is necessary for the family to move due to the health of Mr. Edmonds.

Enroute they will visit Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Edmonds at Delta, Colo. They will go to Rialto,

## Spare the Mower, Save the Birds

LINCOLN — This is the time of year when farmers find an opportunity to do some weed mowing along roadsides, waste areas, and soil-bank land.

Stop and check before cutting, advises Del Whiteley, land-management supervisor of the Game Commission. Although undesirable, annual weeds still provide excellent food and cover for wildlife during the fall and winter months. And many areas are being mowed each year where vegetation is not a problem.

Noxious weed control on soil-bank land is required by contract, Whiteley said. However, by the time most of this land is mowed, the annual weeds have set seed, and very little benefit is derived from mowing. Much cover is destroyed which is extremely beneficial in preventing erosion and creating desirable habitat for upland-game birds.

It may be wise and economical to inspect some of these areas before mowing, Whiteley suggested. In Nebraska many waste areas contain partridge pea, Korean lespedeza, sweet clover, alfalfa, and many other native legumes and grasses. These are good wildlife habitat, and they may be much more desirable than plants that will come in after mowing.

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