

## Legion Plans Xmas Party For Dec. 20

The December meeting of Hugh J. Kearns American Legion Post 56 was held Thursday at the 40 & 8 Club Rooms. The annual Christmas party and dinner set for Thursday, Dec. 20, was discussed. A committee of E. O. Vroman, Eugene Krings and Merle D. Meisinger are to arrange the event. Members are to bring a covered dish and a one dollar gift for exchange.

Commander Merle D. Meisinger gave a full report on the Fall Conference he and Albert Johnson attended in Grand Island Dec. 1 and 2. They had the opportunity to hear and take part in many of the programs that are part of the Legion's many projects for the year.

The post voted \$25 for the Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce Christmas Lighting program.

Membership committee reported 180 members paid for the new year of 1963. Quota sent by department is 300. The membership drive is underway and the

committee plans several more night drives in the next week.

Because of the recent raise in national membership fees which will be effective Jan. 1, 1963, the post voted to raise the post membership dues from \$4 to \$5 per year. This action to be effective on all membership dues turned in after Jan. 1, 1963.

Charles Ault was named as the Legion representative on the Youth Center Board.

Reports on finance, sick call and the first of the New Year program were also heard.

### In The Service

**BOBLINGEN, GERMANY** — Army Specialist Four Arlie L. Persinger, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Guy E. Persinger, Cedar Creek, Nebr., recently qualified as expert in firing the M-14 rifle in Germany.

Specialist Persinger entered the Army in July 1960, arrived overseas last June and is a heavy-truck driver in the 96th Transportation Company in Boblingen.

Persinger is a 1955 graduate of Louisville High School and was employed by Ash Grove Cement Plant before entering the Army. His wife, Marlene, is with him in Germany.

## Nehawka FFA, FHA Take Part In Recent Events

**NEHAWKA (Special)** — The Nehawka FFA officers were invited to present a program for the Murray Grange Nov. 28. They gave a parliamentary procedure demonstration. Myron Schoch, vocational agriculture instructor, gave a talk on the activities of the Nehawka FFA.

Those who attended were: Richard Redding, president; Jerry Nutter, vice president; Stanley Roberts, sentinel; Richard Worthan, secretary; Gene Valery, treasurer; Albert Johnson, reporter. Schoch is their adviser.

About 70 FFA and FHA members attended a roller skating party at the Nebraska City rink Dec. 4. After skating, they returned to the Nehawka school where the girls served refreshments. Myron Schoch, Lonnie Wood and Mrs. Lois Hughes were sponsors.

The Nehawka annual oyster and chili supper will be held Jan. 3 at the school auditorium from 6:30 to 8:30. Advance tickets may be purchased from any FFA member. — Albert Johnson, reporter.

A recent meeting of the FFA girls included a program by Lois Wessel, Wanda Hostetter and Geraldine Bond. Inspiration was given by Carol Collins, Glenda Jones, Joyce Fornoff, Linda Waller were appointed on the food committee for the roller skating party.

Janet Jones, Cheryl Kearney and Joyce Fornoff presented a program on Teenage Consumer at the Dec. 5 meeting of the FFA. Inspiration was given by Edith Gander.

Refreshments were served by Linda Weston, Judy Balfour, Karen Hoback. The FFA girls planned a Christmas party and gift exchange for Dec. 19. — Linda Waller, reporter.

Mount Vernon, the home of George Washington, was named for the British admiral Edward Vernon, who fought the Spanish in the Caribbean in the mid-18th century. British soldiers called Vernon "Old Grog" because of the grogram cloak he wore. The grog that present-day tars still drink bears Vernon's nickname because he ordered the daily rum ration diluted with water.

## My Trip To Chicago

(Larry Engelkemier was a Cass County winner of a trip to Chicago during the 4-H Congress and International Livestock Show recently. He was chosen for the Murray State Bank award on his 4-H record. Below, he tells of the trip).

BY LARRY ENGELKEMIER

I wish to take this means of publicly thanking the Murray State Bank for the very enjoyable and educational trip to Chicago that it was my fortune to receive as a 4-H award.

The trip lasted three days with Chicago presenting the most favorable weather. The weather was pleasant with sunshine and mild temperatures. The three days were spent with my host and hostesses, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Wohlfarth and Miss Pauline Wilson; Patty Wohlfarth, and Marilyn Vinduska, the other recipient of the award.

We left Omaha Sunday evening, Nov. 25 aboard the Ak-Sar-Ben Zephyr. We spent the night in individual roomettes and bedrooms. The train arrived in Chicago Monday morning. Breakfast was eaten at the LaSalle Hotel in the heart of Chicago.

Monday afternoon was spent at the International Livestock Exposition viewing the many exhibitions of livestock and displays. The chief event was picking of the reserve and grand champion steer of the exposition.

That evening I attended the International Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity Banquet. The banquet was held at the Prudential Building overlooking Chicago's business district and Lake Michigan. The rest of the group had dinner at Diamond Jim's restaurant.

After dinner we attended the outstanding show, "Mutiny on the Bounty."

Tuesday morning everyone had breakfast in bed, an enjoyable experience. Following this the group went shopping at Marshall Field's, the largest department store in Chicago, and several other department stores.

The women of the group enjoyed this adventure very much. It was quite amusing to Dale and myself watching them shop and keeping up with them. One outstanding purchase of one of the young ladies in our group was a white wig. It presented

many a laugh and lots of fun for the return trip home. We had lunch at Marshall Field's.

Tuesday afternoon we toured the Museum of Science and Industry. One of the outstanding features at the museum is a German submarine captured during World War II.

Tuesday evening we dined at Kingsholm, a Swedish restaurant. The restaurant specializes in Swedish rare foods such as roast eel, lobster, Caviar, tongue, and many other delicious foods.

After dinner, we attended the play, "Carnival". It was a very outstanding and enjoyable musical.

Wednesday morning we had breakfast at the LaSalle and prepared for the trip home. While in Chicago, we met a number of Cass County residents.

The train left Chicago Wednesday morning and arrived back at Omaha at 9:30 Wednesday evening. We traveled in the parlor car and vista dome.

## Two New Dens Added to Pack 399

Cub Pack 399 held the Nov. meeting at the high school auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Den 4 led the opening ceremony.

The Cubs are collecting Buttercup coffee key strips and labels for the needy. They are to be turned in Dec. 15.

Mrs. John Rishel of Den 7 was awarded recognition from the south district for being "Den Mother" for the most years in this pack.

There are two new dens formed now. Den 8 den mothers, Mrs. Kaffenberger; Den 9 den mothers, Mrs. Royer and Mrs. Klapper.

Den 3 presented the skit for the evening. Swimming lessons were Dec. 9 at the Jewish community center.

The following boys received these awards:

Larry Barnes and Joe Solomon, 2 year pins; Joel Catron, 2 year pin, assistant denner stripe; Kevin Farris, 2 year pin, Bear badge, 1 gold arrow after Bear; Kenneth Henry, 1 year pin; Dennis Kalasek, denner stripe; Rick Brendel, denner stripe; 1 silver arrow after Bear; Danny Fauquet, bear badge, 1 gold arrow after bear; Kenny Winters, 1 gold arrow after bear; David Freel, 2 silver arrows after bear, 1 gold arrow after bear.

Also Steven Tiekotter, 1 silver arrow after bear; Mike Simpson, and George Martinson, gold arrow after bear; Steven Molck, bear badge; Carl Rhylander, bear badge, gold arrow, silver arrow after bear; Glen Gochenour, bear badge, 1 year pin; Donald Ogg, bear badge, 1 year pin, silver arrow after wolf, gold arrow after bear; Danny Rice, silver arrow after wolf; Dale Bracken, silver arrow after wolf, denner stripe.

And Michael Loar, wolf badge, assistant denner stripe. Mrs. Warren Loar, Terry Barnes, Charles Henry, Brent Shanholtz and Warren Loar, each 1 year pins; David Broderson, Ricky Kaffenberger, Lester Loper, Peter Rishel, Bruce Reynolds and Tommy Sharp, all bobcat pins; Jim McKnight, webelos badge, Barry Jose, lion and webelos badge. Neil Redden, webelos badge and Steven Rishel, round-up patch.

On Dec. 11 there will be a Roundtable at Bellevue at 7:30 p.m.

Next meeting will be Dec. 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the high school auditorium. The theme will be "The Magic of Christmas."

Den 5 led the closing ceremony.

## Obituary

**Mrs. George Althouse**  
**EAGLE (Special)** — Elsie Allen Althouse, the daughter of Sampson and Adeline Allen, was born Jan. 1, 1885, at Davey, Nebr. She died Dec. 1, 1962, after an illness of several months at 77.

At the age of five she moved with her family to Eagle. She attended school and graduated from high school there. She lived near Eagle since then.

She was married to George Althouse Jan. 1, 1906. They had three sons and a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Althouse celebrated their 50th Golden Wedding Anniversary in 1956.

Mrs. Althouse was a member of the Eagle Methodist Church, and the American Legion Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her parents, a brother and three sisters. She is survived by her husband; her children—Floyd of Eagle, Keith of Lincoln, Clyde of Eagle, and Mrs. Inez Munn of Waverly; a brother, Ralph Allen of Lincoln; and nine grandchildren.

## More than 2,500 Attend Louisville Christmas Parade

**LOUISVILLE (Special)** — A large crowd of over 2,500 attended the third annual Christmas parade Dec. 1 at Louisville.

Three bands participated, Louisville High School Band, Plattview School and Murdock School.

The competition was divided into four classes. Organizations, churches, schools and businesses. Cash prizes awarded were, \$25, first prize; \$15, second prize; \$10, third prize and \$5, fourth prize.

Judges of the parade were Darrel Brandenburg, of the Plattview School staff; Earl Knosp of Murdock and Archie Crozier of Weeping Water.

The following prizes were awarded: Organizations: First prize, Brownies Girl Scout troop 432 with the theme of "Christmas Dolls of Other Lands"; Leader, Mrs. Max Amelang, assistants, Mrs. Vera Carpenter and Mrs. Ralph Helm; Second prize, Rebekah Lodge 391 with the theme, "Peace," third prize, American Legion Auxiliary, theme, "Christmas Night," Mrs. Fred Schliefer, President; fourth prize, Springfield Assembly No. 8 Order of the Rainbow, Mrs. Tony Johnson and W. A. Linda Johnson.

Schools: First prize, Louisville Grade School, theme, "O Come All Ye Faithful," teacher, Mrs. Leonard Heard; Second, Future Homemakers of America, theme, Bible Nativity Scene, Mrs. Beverly Pohlman, sponsor; Dutch Academy School, District 33, theme, "We Wish You A Merry Christmas," teacher, Mrs. Harold Havac; fourth, Pleasant Ridge School, District 41, theme, "Frosty the Snowman," Mrs. August Stohlmann, Jr., teacher.

Churches: First, Wesleyan Service Guild, theme, "O Come All Ye Faithful," Second, Christian Church, theme, "O Come All Ye Faithful, Cherub Choir.

Businesses: Dolan's Dry Goods, first prize, theme, "Santa's Standin," A trail run to check Santa's sleigh.

Other groups participating in the parade were: Santa Claus, Cass County Saddle Club; the 4-H marching group; American Legion Post 353; Federated Woman's Club; Springfield Saddle Club; Royal Neighbors; Luken Chevrolet; Boots and Spurs Saddle Club; Louisville Volunteer Fire Department; IOOF Lodge Lodge; Bridle and Saddle Club; C. J. Pankonin & Son.

The WSCS annual bazaar held that afternoon and evening was also a great success. They sold gift articles, decorative Christmas items, homemade candies and cakes and served pie, coffee, and Yum Yums.

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## COMMENT

by L. A. Caldwell

### The Instant Age

Ours is the instant age. More and more products are designed to be prepared in an instant, served in a jiffy, downed in a

gulp. An up-to-the-minute housewife can prepare many a meal with everything on the menu being an "instant" item... except for an occasional course that might take a whole minute to cook.

You'd think that the one commodity we're running short of these days is time. Everything's got to be done in a hurry. The funny part of all this is that we now have more leisure time than any body of people has ever had. We work shorter hours than our ancestors, and we stay up later. We have more time off.

Getting things done quickly isn't necessarily good or bad. Instant preparations save all of us a lot of drudgery, give us more time to enjoy life. What counts is the use we make of those instants we save...

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