

\$125,000 for Housing to Be Asked

Fund Would Buy Three Sites for 1,000 Units; One Option Obtained

The Special Housing Committee of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce voted Tuesday to take a 125-thousand-dollar step toward catching up with the housing shortage.

They asked the directors for permission to raise that amount by subscription to underwrite construction of one thousand dwelling units.

The board is expected to approve the request at a meeting next week.

For Land Purchase The action follows several months of intensive study and the determination that at least one thousand units must be built at once to solve the most critical aspects of Omaha's problem.

The contractor selected will make a "substantial" investment of his own funds, and will retain ownership and operation of the buildings as a long-term investment, Mr. Harvey said.

The committee plans to sponsor erection of the units on three sites. An option has been obtained at Thirty-sixth and Lake Streets.

The Krue Park tract is also under study. Multiple Dwellings The 30-acre tract at Forty-second and Q Streets has been dropped and study is being made of other South Omaha sites.

Buildings will be multiple dwellings of permanent type. The committee is studying proposals of local as well as out-of-town builders.

The approval of FHA is essential to any program by the committee, he said.

He praised the co-operation of city officials and others with whom the committee has discussed the problem.

Jake Bird Denied Court Rehearing

Olympia, Wash. (AP)—The State Supreme Court Tuesday denied a petition for rehearing of the death sentence of Jake Bird, 47, Negro slayer.

Action virtually closed Bird's last hope of escaping the noose. Bird had indicated he will appeal his case to the United States Supreme Court. However, unless that body intervenes, Bird can be hanged while his appeal is pending.

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Some State Roads Are Held Drain on Highway Resources

By Eldon K. Langevin Nebraska's highway system has "some roads of little state-wide importance."

This statement is made in the engineering appraisal which was prepared for the Nebraska Highway Advisory Committee. The report was given to Gov. Val Peterson Monday.

The consulting engineer said: "Responsibility for such roads reduces the state's ability to give proper highway service in other locations, and in the quality of maintenance and construction. In fact, only 9,220 miles are currently maintained by the state, partly because of inability to finance the designated system."

The report said that the various Legislatures have created a state highway system of 11,142 miles. Some of this system is still on paper. That is, the roads never have been built.

The consultant continued: "Even the 9,220-mile system contains routes which could not qualify under a more logical plan of selection."

"For example, it is unlikely that State Highway 5 running north from Sutton to U. S. 34 for a total distance of only 21 miles, and with no other cities on the route, can be considered as having more travel of state-wide importance than any county road, and the need for roads classified as State Highways 123 and 118 southwest of Decatur is questionable. Many similar examples are found throughout Nebraska."

The report further stated: "Many stub routes, such as State Highway 108 south of Ewing, or the five miles south from Wauweta, do not now have, and are unlikely to have in the future, traffic which is of much more than local or countrywide nature."

"These and others represent a drain on resources of the state which it can ill afford, and for which responsibility should be localized."

Pastures Lead to Soil Awards

3 Shelby, Ia., District Champs Honored By Max Coffey

Harlan, Ia.—Three farms on which pasture improvement has stimulated increased livestock production through the Soil Conservation Service's Soil Conservation Program award to the Shelby County Soil Conservation District.

Tuesday night the district was presented a plaque and a check for five hundred dollars by The World-Herald.

The owners and operators of the three outstanding farms were awarded certificates at a dinner here when the Shelby District was organized in 1942, remained until 1945.

He complimented the Shelby District farm leaders for having chosen "between soil conservation and neglect"—a choice which he said the nation must make.

"For one hundred years," Mr. Weiss said, "we have been in the process of destroying our nation from within... Most Americans have been conditioned to waste that they don't recognize, or they regard it as inevitable."

All three of the honored farms are big producers of broom grass and alfalfa pastures. Beef and pork production are the main enterprises. On each farm more livestock is being produced since complete soil conservation plans were adopted. And the cost of production per livestock unit has been decreased.

Boys, Girls Honored An added feature of the award dinner was the presentation of prizes to high school boys and girls in the third annual Soil Conservation Contest sponsored by the Shelby District, the Harlan Tribune, the Harlan News-Advertiser, the Harlan National Bank and the Shelby County State Bank.

The contest is based on written reports of soil conservation activities the boys and girls have carried out during the past year. Grand prizes of \$30 each were given the Bernard Lapke, Dunlap High School, and Irene Zimmerman, Westphalia High School.

Other Awards In addition young Lapke won a \$10 award for the best work by a contestant who attends a school outside Shelby County. Awards by schools within Shelby County: Westphalia—Irene Zimmerman, \$10; Bernice Lickteig, \$5.

Defiance—Dodie Finken, \$10; Alice Kankel, \$5. Harlan—Ronald Krohn, \$10.

Navy League Re-elects New York (AP)—Frank A. Hecht of Chicago was re-elected Tuesday to his second term as president of the Navy League of the United States.

Knights vs. Minneapolis direct from Minneapolis, 8:15 tonight. ROAD—Adv.

Chiang's Wife Speeds East With Message

Will Reach Washington Today; 'Conditions' of U. S. Aid Are Told

Compiled from Press and Cable Dispatches. Madame Chiang Kai-shek arrived in the United States Tuesday to plead for help for distressed China.

A few hours after her arrival in San Francisco from Nanking by Naval plane, she was on her way to Washington. She is scheduled to reach the capital early Wednesday.

She refused to talk to reporters about her mission, though she was affable toward the crowd that greeted her at the West Coast airport.

Major Conditions Told Authoritative sources in China reported that the major conditions on which the United States would grant aid to China had been laid before Generalissimo Chiang in unofficial diplomatic maneuvering in Nanking and Shanghai.

It was said these conditions require the Generalissimo to form a Cabinet strong enough to weather the crisis created by the civil war. That Cabinet must guarantee to Washington that China will support United States foreign policy, especially with regard to Russia and communism.

Wives on the Spot Madame Chiang, by her sudden unofficial visit, has not only put two men—President Truman and Secretary of State Marshall—on the spot but their wives as well.

The Marshalls have invited Madame Chiang to be their guest at their Eighteenth Century Leesburg, Va., home, Dodona Manor. At the White House it was learned that there is no plan as yet for the wife of the Generalissimo to be entertained at Blair House where the Truman family is living while the Executive Mansion is being repaired.

In the opinion of Henrietta Nesbit, former White House housekeeper, Madame Chiang was just about the most difficult guest during the war years.

Had to Be Changed Mrs. Nesbit related that Madame Chiang spent a lot of time in bed, "and every time she got out, even for a short time, both sheets, the two pillow slips and the blanket spread, silk with lace insertings and lace edges, had to be changed fresh."

Madame Chiang was allergic to cotton and wool, and she brought her own silk sheets. There was indication she is bringing sheets with her this time, however.

Suchow Suchow's 250-thousand-man garrison was reported swinging south Tuesday for a battle to save Nanking, but signs multiplied in the capital that the Government is prepared to flee.

Well-based reports said Government offices might scatter—to the old war-time capital of Chungking in the west, Canton in the south, or to the island of Formosa.

Democrats Gain Seat as Result of Recount Albany, N. Y. (AP)—Democrats officially picked up another seat in the next Congress Tuesday at the expense of Republicans.

A recount of ballots showed John C. Davies, 28, a Democrat from Utica, had defeated Representative Fuller by 138 votes in the Thirty-fifth New York Congressional District.

That gives New York Democrats 24 seats. The Republicans will have 20 and the American Labor Party one.

Culture and Entertainment Billed for Holiday Month

Omahans will have plenty of chances to get culture and entertainment during the December holiday season.

Christmas Day festivities will be highlighted by the world premiere of the "Ice Cycles" at Ak-Sar-Ben Coliseum. The skaters will be here two weeks.

Heading the list of many Christmas programs will be the annual presentation of Handel's "Messiah" by the Apollo Club at Joslyn Memorial December 14.

The Tuesday Musical Club artist to appear December 7 will be Clifford Curzon, British pianist.

The annual Omaha City Chorus Concert sponsored by the Omaha Civic Music Association will be held Thursday at 8:15 p.m. at Joslyn Memorial.

The first in a chamber music series of three concerts will be presented by the Fine Arts Ensemble next Sunday. The ensemble includes Rosemary Howell, Gladys May and Emanuel Wisnow.

The second Adventist Artists Series concert will be presented by the Hub of Harmony on Saturday at Joslyn Memorial.

Jimmy Dorsey's dance band will perform December 12 at Peony Park.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Police Post ball is scheduled for December 18.

Seven home hockey games and high school, University of Omaha and Creighton University basketball games are scheduled.

Featured exhibits at Joslyn Memorial include advertising art, paintings, prints and drawings by Dwight Kirsch of the University of Nebraska and the third Omaha International Salon of Photography.

In addition to Christmas, special dates for the month include Pearl Harbor, December 7; Bill of Rights Day, December 15 and the first day of winter, December 21.

Conventions include: Central Wholesale Shippers Advisory Board; Nebraska Petroleum Marketers' Royal Arch Masons' Grand Council; Royal Arch Masons' Grand Chapter; and Nebraska County Commissioners, County Clerks, County Treasurers and Clerks of District Court.

School Bond Issue Loses In Loveland

Stork Beats Car Over Toll Bridge

Stork City, Ia. (AP)—Even though it didn't bother William Bolton, 24, or his wife, Gloria, 20, Tuesday, as they approached the toll booth on the Nebraska side of the combination bridge connecting Sioux City and South Sioux City, Neb.

Mr. Bolton just tossed a dollar bill to the attendant and raced on.

The reason? A daughter had just been born to his wife in the back seat. Attendants at St. Vincent Hospital here said the baby, weighing 6 pounds 9 ounces, and the mother were in good condition. Mr. Bolton is a Winnebago, Neb., farmer.

264 For, 529 Against; Vote 'Quite Heavy'

Pol. officials said the vote was "quite heavy." A heated campaign was conducted by those on both sides of the proposal.

Those in favor said the new high school and Loveland enlargement would provide more schooling facilities to take care of an increase in student population in the district.

Opponents charged the bond issue would be a heavy tax burden and is unnecessary.

J. B. Smith, moderator of the six-member District 66 School Board, made this comment after the vote count was announced: "The decisive vote against the bond issue signifies that the voters of our district do not want to increase their school facilities at this time. The board will now devote its time to considering ways of accommodating pupils in our district in the present building facilities."

Henry Christensen, an opposition leader, was "very happy" about the result.

"It is evident the majority of the property owners have expressed their convictions," Mr. Christensen said.

Delay Is Allowed in Rape Charges

Boulder, Colo. (AP)—Joseph Walker Tuesday was given until December 27 to obtain an attorney and enter a plea to charges he raped and murdered Theresa Foster, 18, Colorado.

District Judge C. C. Coffin continued Walker's arraignment until that date at his request. The 31-year-old metal worker trembled visibly but spoke clearly during a five-minute appearance in court.

When the judge asked him how much time he would like, Walker answered: "The officers have had three weeks on this investigation and I should like the same amount of time."

Omaha Man Killed in Auto-Truck Crash

Norfolk, Neb.—Charles R. Edwards, 37, whose address was given as Henshaw Hotel, Omaha, was killed Tuesday night in an auto-truck collision 1 1/2 miles west of Pilger, Neb., on Highway 275.

State Highway Patrolman Donivan Lacey said Mr. Edwards' car crashed head-on with a truck driven by Hal Johnson, 28, of Ainsworth, Neb., who was unhurt. The accident occurred on part of the highway where there was room for only one-way traffic because of snow.

Mr. Edwards was westbound. The truck was going east.

Coal Socialization Is Favored in Germany

Hamburg, Germany (AP)—Ministers of Western Germany Tuesday called for socialization of the German coal industry, delegates representing 530 thousand members of the Bizone miners union in convention at Rockingham voted the resolution.

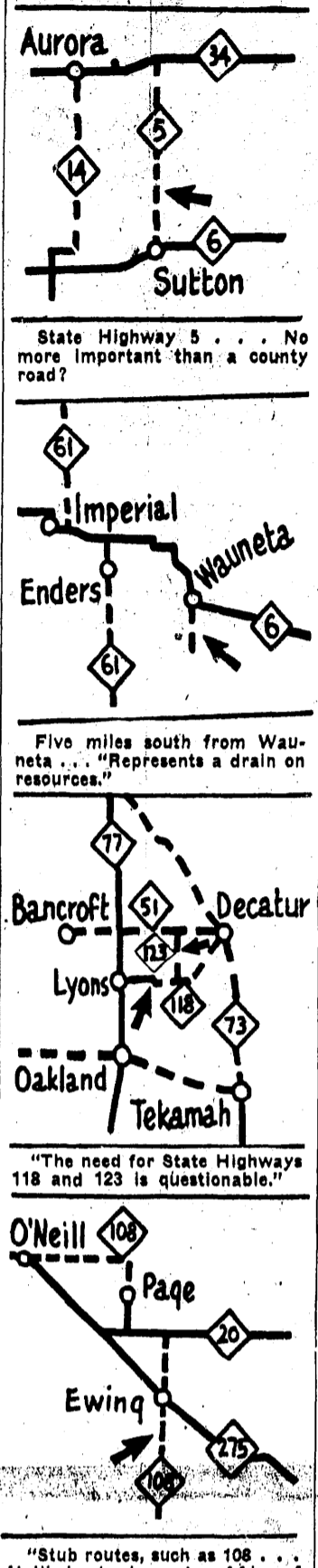
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The need for State Highways 118 and 123 is questionable.

Stub routes, such as 108... Unlikely to have traffic of much more than local nature.

Cold Month Starts Mildly

Temperatures to Stay Above Normal

December—typically a month of bitter temperatures and flying snow—will begin today with fair skies and warmer temperatures in the east and central sections of Nebraska.

The Weather Man predicts maximum readings of from 40 to 45 in the west and 50 degrees in the east.

Temperatures for the next five days, according to a Weather Bureau long-range forecast, will average near or slightly above the normal for this time of year.

Normal high for the west is 44, for the east 41. Little snow or rain is expected.

2,000 Families Like This Boy's Depend on You

Four-year-old Danny lives with two brothers and a sister in a little white house off a dirt road on the outskirts of the city.

He has a skinny little kitten and a small red truck with only two wheels. That is how he was amusing himself Tuesday as he played around the coal stove.

He is a shy little guy who sticks his thumb in his mouth when he sees a stranger. But he knows what he wants for Christmas. He wants a blue toy.

What kind? Danny wouldn't answer for a long time. Even at 4 he is not used to demanding things—he takes what he can get. Finally, Danny said, he wanted a tricycle.

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