The Buck Ends Here

By IVAN D E BEAUMONT

There goes de judge

Police Magistrate R J Obbmk, Nebraska City, will be out of a job as judge when the new county district court system goes into effect January 4

In fact, Judge Obbink is looking forward to his "retirement" and the new court system

He has enjoyed his years on the bench handling police cases, but he admits the job has been time consuming and has taken. him away too much from his own practice

Under the new court system, all police cases previously heard before Judge Obbink will go to the courthouse and to County District Judge-elect Bob Morrissey, Syracuse, and his associate judge, George H Stanley

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We will miss covering court sessions presided over by Judge Obbink He has conducted his court cases in an efficient and courteous manner and was always "bending over backwards" to give the accused speeder or whatever the case, a continuance or delay He always made it a point to give the other guy every chance

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He's also got a sense of humor

A number of years ago we got all dolled up in a Halloween costume and mingled with some youngsters as they made their rounds for tricks or treats

When we came to the judge's home, I was a bit hesitant to enter because I didn't want to be recognized, but at the insistence of one of the judge's daughters all of "us kids" stepped inside

With muffled voices we made our demands known and all the time the judge sat in his easy chair reading, of all things, the World-Herald

He didn't even put his paper down to say hello or chase us out of the house

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Don McBride, the Nebraska City Chamber executive, pointed out the other day of a new special service available to anyone by just dialing a number

Readers can now direct dial the Lincoln or Omaha Better Business Bureaus toll free to register complaints about faulty goods or services they have purchased, or to obtain information about unknown businesses in their community

"All you have to do is dial 112-800-642-9332 for Omaha and 112-800-742-7327 for Lincoln "

He said also that a similar toll free system will be put into service soon for shoppers from southwest Iowa

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Hello there, Orange Bowl

The Auburn band is going to the Orange Bowl to watch the Huskers wallop Notre Dame

Mrs Patrick Crotty, 2121 L Street, Auburn, says "we are sponsoring numerous projects to raise the needed amount of money to do so The cooperation of our local people has been most gratifying. We've had lots of heads and hands working to get this going and that's what it takes."

Here are projects scheduled this month·

December 11 — Basketball game, Jaycees vs faculty, 7:30 p m., Senior High.

December 14 — Dance at the armory, 9 to midnight with music by the John Bremer band.

December 15 — Spaghetti dinner, Senior High, 5 to 8 p.m.

December 16 — Auction, 4-H building, beginning at 12:30 p.m. Items include 30-inch Caloric gas stove, Palmerton painting, guitar, two bushels of seed corn and a $75 gift certificate.

December 23 — Movie, State Theater, 7 p.m., "Cancel My Reservation" with Bob Hope.

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Congratulations to the Auburn Boosters for getting behind the project to send the Bulldog bandsmen to the bowl.

With that type of effort, you're bound to get that $16,000 or $17,000.

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We are also told that the Humboldt band contributed $25 to Auburn as the "official" band at the Orange Bowl.

And we are told that it will cost about $125 for each of the 100-plus youngsters and sponsors

In case you're not on any "list" of boosters, and you'd like to contribute, send your checks to Mrs Crotty at the Auburn address.

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Commencement at Omaha Tech

Several years ago, a favorite cousin sent us an invitation to attend his high school graduation exercises at Omaha Tech.

There is just Jimmy and his mother. His dad was a long distance trucker, had a heart attack and died while at the wheel of a semi on the Iowa interstate. He managed to stop the truck before he collapsed.

Jimmy was alone. In the years that he was reared in Omaha, he attended Omaha Tech, predominantly a black public school.

Jimmy knew everyone and it seemed everyone knew Jimmy. So, when we drove into the parking lot at Tech it was no surprise when his many friends called to him and we met so many people we were at a loss to remember names

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In the auditorium, we "got with it." The students received their diplomas one at a time in a chow line fashion and at the same time their names were announced over the public address system.

So, when Jimmy stepped up to receive his diploma, we whooped it up

We were joined in applause by just about everyone in the auditorium.

"Golly, Millie," I said "I didn't know Jimmy was so popular."

A mother in front of us, turned around and with a smile said, "It's not for THAT boy," she said and pointed to another boy in the line, "it's for HIM — that's Johnny Rodgers!"

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Sports fans were well acquainted with the speedy football player at Omaha Tech and his popularity on the gridiron carried throughout the school.

That's the way they felt about Johnny Rodgers at Tech. And his desire and great athletic ability have now earned for him the Heisman Trophy. . .quite a compliment for a boy from the ghetto.

SUN concept may help the elderly

OMAHA, Neb (AP)—An official of the University of Nebraska said he believes the new State University of Nebraska (SUN) concept may be the university's best way to meet educational needs of the elderly

Dr Milton Hassel, director of program development for SUN, said the courses which will be offered can be taken by persons of all ages

He said instruction will be sent into homes or community resource learning centers This should be especially helpful, he said, to someone who would feel uncomfortable in a traditional college setting

Hassel responded to recent remarks made by State Sen. Fern Hubbard Orme that the SUN program would be "ideal" for the elderly if the right programs were offered

Hassel said plans call for providing about 20 courses normally offered the first two years in college

A moonlighter is a fellow who plans street lamps for lunar housing developments.

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Electoral College to ratify election

By WALTER R. MEARS
AP Political Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Electoral College, which doesn't have much to do, will do it on Dec 18, formally ratifying President Nixon's landslide re-election over Democrat George McGovern.

Its ritual duty will be performed in state capitals across the nation, certified and sent along to Congress for the final formality of re-electing the Republican President.

In 49 states, Republican electors chosen in Nixon's name in the Nov 7 election will convene for the ceremony of recording their votes

Only in Massachusetts, with 14 electoral votes, and in the District of Columbia, with three, is there anything for the McGovern electors to do.

Under the Constitution, members of the Electoral College are technically free agents and can vote as they please But only six times have electors defied the voters of their states and cast ballots for anyone but the presidential candidate in whose name they were elected.

There is no indication that any elector plans such a move this time So the score will be Nixon 521 electoral votes, Sen. McGovern 17

The whole process is set by Constitution, by federal law and by practice. Under it, voters actually cast ballots for slates of presidential electors drawn up by the political parties in each state. The number of electors is equal to each state's delegation in the House and Senate.

The electors vote by ballot for president and vice president. The ballot's then are certified and sent to the president of the Senate, Vice President Spiro T Agnew.

That's it for the Electoral College. Congress acts out the final piece of the ritual next month. By law, House and Senate meet in joint session at 1 p m. on Jan. 6.

At that session, Agnew, as president of the Senate, opens the electoral certificates and the votes are counted.

That will make formal, two months after the fact, the re-election of Nixon and Agnew.

Congressional reformers have been trying to do away with the Electoral College and turn to a system of direct election of presidents and vice presidents. There have been rival proposals to preserve the Electoral College but alter the system so as to award electoral votes in proportion to each candidate's showing in a state, instead of alloting them all to the man who wins statewide.

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130 pints are needed Dec. 19

Nebraska City area donors must contribute 130 pints of blood when the Red Cross bloodmobile comes here if the county is to make its quota for the year.

The Red Cross urges that donor cards mailed to prospects be returned immediately Walk-in donors are also most welcome.

The blood unit will be at Memorial Building on December 19 at noon, taking blood until 6 p.m.

So far this year the county is 30 points short. In previous visits the bloodmobile collected 200 pints at Syracuse on two visits and 110 pints on one visit to Nebraska City The December 19 visit is the final one of the year

Balanced recruitment means that Nebraska City area donors should give as follows

O positive, 46 donors; A positive, 40 donors, B positive, 10, AB positive, three, O negative, nine; A negative, seven, B negative, three, AB negative, one; new donors (first time givers) 24 pints.

The ladies of St Mary's Episcopal church will operate the canteen, where lunch will be served to donors on the 19th.



A critic is a fellow who indulges in yuletide gift-rapping.

GAMES PARTY
Monday, December 11
Special $10 Attendance Prize
7:30 p.m.
No. 59 Or Under
CASH PRIZES JACKPOT $125.00
No. 50 Or Under
ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH HALL
Sponsored by Holy Name Society


WIG SHOWING
Monday, December 11-7:30-9:30 p.m.
FREE STYLING during this time
Priced from $29.95
TOWN & COUNTRY BEAUTY SALON
Kathy Wehling owner
109 So. 9th St. 873-6987 Nebraska City


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