

*Rae Wilson's
Letter to the Editor of
The North Platte Daily Bulletin
Thursday
December 18, 1941*

Newspaper page	2
Article	3
Transcript	4

Courtesy Nebraska State Historical Society



The North Platte Daily Bulletin, 1941
Newspaper page

Thursday, December 18, 1941

Contracts Awarded On New Building

General contracts were awarded yesterday on the municipal light and water building to Huddell Bros., North Platte. Their bid, lowest of the seven received by the city council, was \$23,545. Plumbing, heating and air conditioning contract went to W. J. Garrison at \$7,500. Electrical contract went to Crawford Electric company at \$2,445.

BULLETIN Want-Ads Get Results

Paramount

TODAY
FRIDAY
SATURDAY

THE ADVENTURE
PICTURE THAT
HAS EVERYTHING!



The native habari forecasts doom—"Of these five men, one must soon die!"



Mighty scene of dramatic suspense—the cave where a man and a woman face death.



WALTER WANGER'S
Great Adventure of Today!

SUNDOWN

starring **GENE TIERNEY**
BRUCE CABOT - GEORGE SANDERS
SIR CEDRIC HARDWICKE

HIT NO. 2

ACTION! ROMANCE!



PLUS FREE MIDNIGHT
SHOW SATURDAY 11:30 p.m.

TYRONE POWER



Thursday, December 18, 1941

Japs Open Two Threats To Singapore

SINGAPORE. Japs. Two long-range threats to Singapore mounted last night on the basis of reports that Japanese forces had made at least three landings in the British part of Borneo and had crossed the Muda river in north-west Malaya only 10 miles from the vital Penang base here.

Japanese troops, fighting with fanatical zeal in the plantation and light jungle country of Kedah province, admittedly were infiltrating the province of Wellesley, which lies across from Penang island, despite stiffening imperial resistance.

The landings in Borneo were at three points—Miri, Lubang and Seria—in a 50-mile stretch of the Sarawak and Brunel Sultanate, adjacent to British North Borneo proper.

Imperial garrisons, anticipating the aggression, robbed the Japanese of the first fruits of their invasion by destroying rich oil fields, refineries and installations in the region.

In London, non-political and non-military British sources took the view that the mainland of Malaya probably would be lost to the Japanese, but they were confident that the great Singapore base at its tip would be held.

In the Kedah area, the communiqué said, the heavy fighting continued roughly on the line of the Muda river.

Canteen Here Is Suggested For Soldiers

Following the visit of the troop train here yesterday afternoon Miss Rae Wilson, sister of North Platte's Captain Denver Wilson, suggested that a canteen be opened here to make the trips of soldiers thru the city more entertaining. She offered her services without charge. Her public-spirited and generous offer is contained in the following communications to The Bulletin:

Editor, The Daily Bulletin: I don't know just how many people want to meet the trains when the troops come thru our city Wednesday, but those who didn't should have. To see the spirits and the high morale among those soldiers should certainly put some of us on our feet and make us realize we are really at war. We should help keep this soldier morale at its highest peak. We can do our part.

During World War I the army and navy mothers, or should I say the war mothers, had canteens at our own depot. Why can't we, the people of North Platte and the other towns surrounding our community, start a fund and open a Canteen now? I would be more than willing to give my time without charge and run this canteen.

We who met this troop train

Hear WHISPERS TALKING SINGING
with the NEW
Western Electric Bell
Telephone Hearing Aid

Made by the makers of your telephone, this completely NEW instrument is the last word in better hearing!

FREE Hearing Test Here Friday

Our hearing expert, Mr. Henry Ross, headquartering at Hotel Pawnee, will demonstrate the new Hearing Aid. There will be no charge for either the hearing tests or the demonstration. Mr. Ross will be here Friday, December 19, one day only! You owe it to yourself and your friends to take advantage of this opportunity. No appointment is necessary and each person will be interviewed by Mr. Ross in strict privacy.

—or Write
AUDIPHONE CO.
(Distributors)
417 Medical Arts Building
Omaha-Nebraska

THE NORTH PLATTE (Neb.) DAILY BULLETIN—Phone 314

AUNT HET

BY ROBERT GUILLIN



"I'm glad I didn't marry a preacher or doctor. I like to be able to say my say without thinkin' whether it will get Pa in trouble."

which arrived about 5 o'clock were expecting Nebraska boys. Naturally we had candy, cigarettes, etc. but we very willingly gave these things to the Kansas boys.

Smiles, tears and laughter followed. Appreciation showed on over 300 faces. An officer told me it was the first time anyone had met their train and that North Platte had helped the boys keep up their spirits.

I may get back of our sons and other mothers' sons 100 per cent. Let's do something and do it in a hurry! We can help this way when we can't help any other way.

—RAE WILSON

--Troop Train

Continued from Page 1
train revealed soldiers. Only they weren't members of the 13th. But the sight of the smiling lads, their friendly spirits and their joy at seeing such a reception was too much for the crowd. They gathered around the boys, burdened them down with the gifts they had bought for their own sons, and wished them well.

As the train left, the boys waved rally goodbye, thumbs were sticking up out of open windows and mothers were dabbing their eyes with handkerchiefs. Some weren't bothering about the hankies, just crying and not caring who saw them.

Airport Work Shows Progress

The WPA project for completion of Lee Bird field is progressing satisfactorily. The crew is engaged in filling in grade at the west end of the proposed east-west runway. While the work will not be completed until spring WPA officials hope to get most of the preliminary work out of the way during the winter months.

Miss Ardis Chapman arrived last evening from Denver, where she has been attending college. Miss Chapman will be the holiday home guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Chapman.

Christmas and Rummage Sale today by Job's Daughters. Step-in Annex.



XMAS LOANS

If you need extra cash to carry you thru the holidays—you can get it here! Come in Today.

North Platte Loan & Finance

4% Interest on Savings
A Home-Owned Institution
111 East 9th Phone 17

Fresh Graves Lie Row Upon Row In Hawaii

(By FRANK TREMAINE)

HONOLULU. Japs. A grim reminder of the Japanese treachery on Dec. 7 is the row on row of fresh graves covered with tropical greenery in Nuuuua cemetery, on the outskirts of Honolulu, where navy victims in the Pearl Harbor attack lie buried.

Brief military services for these

dead were held at Nuuuua cemetery. The captain of the naval who conducted the service few naval men, they tended.

Each man was buried in a trench. The raw earth was covered with floral decorations peculiar to the defense of the United States.

Multi-colored flowers were placed into backgrounds

SPARKLING
Christmas GIFT VALUES

DIAMONDS
The gift that lasts forever

- Diamond Solitaire \$50.00**
An exquisite, sparkling diamond in an 18K gold mounting.
- 2-Diamond Engagement \$127.50**
A beautiful ring with one large diamond and six smaller diamonds.
- 3-Diamond Engagement \$47.50**
Three fine diamonds in 18K white or yellow gold mounting. Special.
- 26 Piece Set, Service for 6. Priced as low \$4.95**

NEED A GIFT IDEA?
You Will Find Hundreds of Smart, Modern Suggestions in Our **GIFT SHOP**

- 8-Diamond Ensemble \$100**
In beautiful mountings. White or yellow gold. A truly lovely set.
- Gift LUGGAGE**
Unfitted cases in new colors and styles. Ideal gifts! From \$7.50
- 14K gold watch has a dialling all its own**
- Group "Veri-Thin" 14K yellow gold jewel precision. Priced at...**
- Bulova "Cambri" jewel yellow to plate, a white matching bracelet. Priced at...**
- OTHER W/ DIXON UNION P.**

Courtesy Nebraska State Historical Society
The North Platte Daily Bulletin, 1941
 Article

Canteen Here Is Suggested For Soldiers

Following the visit of the troop train here yesterday afternoon Miss Rae Wilson, sister of North Platte's Captain Denver Wilson, suggested that a canteen be opened here to make the trips of soldiers thru the city more entertaining. She offered her services without charge. Her public-spirited and generous offer is contained in the following communications to *The Bulletin*:

Editor, *The Daily Bulletin*:

I don't know just how many people went to meet the trains when the troops went thru our city Wednesday, but those who didn't should have.

To see the spirits and the high morale among those soldiers should certainly put some of us on our feet and make us realize we are really at war. We should help keep this soldier morale at its highest peak. We can do our part.

During World War I the army and navy mothers, or should I say the war mothers, had canteens at our own depot. Why can't we, the people of North Platte and the other towns surrounding our community, start a fund and open a Canteen now? I would be more than willing to give my time without charge and run this canteen.

We who met this troop train

which arrived about 5 o'clock were expecting Nebraska boys. Naturally we had candy, cigarettes, etc., but we very willingly gave these things to the Kansas boys.

Smiles, tears and laughter followed. Appreciation showed on over 300 faces. An officer told me it was the first time anyone had met their train and that North Platte had helped the boys keep up their spirits.

I say get back of our sons and other mothers' sons 100 per cent. Let's do something and do it in a hurry! We can help this way when we can't help any other way.

—RAE WILSON



Courtesy Nebraska State Historical Society
The North Platte Daily Bulletin, 1941

TRANSCRIPT

North Platte Daily Bulletin
Thursday, December 18, 1941

Canteen Here Is Suggested For Soldiers

Following the visit of the troop train here yesterday afternoon Miss Rae Wilson, sister of North Platte's Captain Denver Wilson, suggested that a canteen be opened here to make the trips of soldiers thru [sic] the city more entertaining. She offered her services without charge. Her public-spirited and generous offer is contained in the following communications to The Bulletin:

Editor, The Daily Bulletin:

I don't know just how many people went to meet the trains when the troops went thru our city Wednesday, but those who didn't should have.

To see the spirits and the high morale among those soldiers should certainly put some of us on our feet and make us realize we are really at war. We should help keep this soldier morale at its highest peak. We can do our part.

During World War I the army and navy mothers, or should I say the war mothers, had canteens at our own depot. Why can't we, the people of North Platte and the other towns surrounding our community, start a fund and open a Canteen now? I would be more than willing to give my time without charge and run this canteen.

We who met this troop train which arrived about 5 o'clock were expecting Nebraska boys. Naturally we had candy, cigarettes, etc. but we very willingly gave those things to the Kansas boys.

Smiles, tears and laughter followed. Appreciation showed on over 300 faces. An officer told me it was the first time anyone had met their train and that North Platte had helped the boys keep up their spirits.

I say get back of our sons and other mothers' sons 100 per cent. Let's do something and do it in a hurry! We can help this way when we can't help any other way.

-- Rae Wilson

Courtesy Nebraska State Historical Society
The North Platte Daily Bulletin, 1941

