

Judy Waller Named '77 Popcorn Queen

Miss Judy Waller was crowned the new 1977 Popcorn Days Queen in ceremonies held at North Loup Tuesday night. She began her year-long reign with a smile and a bouquet. The queen's court included Rhonda Shoemaker and Lisa Williams.

Judy, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Waller of North Loup, succeeds Laurie Edwards, the 1976 Popcorn Days Queen. In a farewell speech Laurie thanked all those who had helped make her rule so eventful.

Following these words, contest judges announced their selection of the new queen. Laurie helped crown her successor.

The new 19 year old monarch lists sports as her main interest. A sophomore at Kearney State College, Judy is a major in physical education.

Children's Parade

The annual children's parade preceded Judy's coronation. This year's parade theme was "cartoon characters". Spectators were treated to the sight of small-sized versions of Mickey Mouse, Yosemite Sam and other laugh-provoking personalities.

Grand Prize winner in the 1977 parade was Chastity White and Chad Zablouid. The two youngsters took top honors with their portrayal of The Flintstones. The Stone-Age couple supposedly live in a village called Bedrock. Chastity is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry White while Chad is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Zablouid.

Other winners, listed in the order of their placings were:

WAGONS AND STROLLERS — Winnie the Pooh, Heather Zanger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Zanger, Pooh Bear, Nathan Holtz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Holtz, was Rabbit, Christopher Robin was portrayed by Nikki Holtz; Mickey, Minnie Mouse, Mickey, Steve Scott, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Scott, Minnie Mouse, Erin Rasmussen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Densel Rasmussen; Snuffy Smith, Chad Denoyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Denoyer was decked out as the hillbilly character; Wonder, Stephanie, Chris, and Jim, were passengers in the car of Walt Dis-



QUEEN AND COURT — Her majesty Judy Waller (center) begins her one year reign as members of her court Lisa Williams (left) and Rhonda Shoemaker (right) assist in the coronation. Jennifer Jacobs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Jacobs (lower left), presented Judy with a bouquet.

preceded Tuesday's parade and new fame. They are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Plate.

MISCELLANEOUS — Yogi and Bobo Bear, Tammi and Timmi Stethem, children of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Stethem; tie for second place, Raggedy Ann and Raggedy Andy, Angie and Adam Kokes, children of Mr. and Mrs. Rob Kokes and Batman and Robin, Batman, Todd Vogeler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Vogeler, Robin, brother Ryan Vogeler; tie for third, Wolf, Carl Lundstedt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Lundstedt; Yogi Bear, Dawn Markowski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Markowski.

BIKES AND TRIKES — Tinkerbell, portrayed by Carrie Johansen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Johansen. An 18 event horse show, tractor pull contests and the start of the

horseshoe pitching tournament crowning.

On display all three days of Popcorn Days were school exhibits, 4-H exhibits, and other items. A flower show was scheduled Tuesday and Wednesday. The annual observance of Popcorn Days has been going on since 1901. That year, North Loup businessmen worked out a plan to play host to their friends and customers. Popcorn was popped over a gas stove and free coffee served by the town businessmen.

Although the date has changed from October 1 to the latter part of August, the celebration continues with that same spirit of friendliness and hospitality. Popcorn Days is considered one of the oldest, if not the oldest, continuous celebration in the state of Nebraska.

County Mill Levy Approved Tuesday

Valley County tax payers got a break Tuesday when County Supervisors approved a 13.679 mill levy. This was down 606 mills from last year's levy of 14.285, the maximum legal limit.

The increased valuation of the county may have been one reason for the levy drop. According to figures supplied by Valley County Clerk Thelma Dulitz, the county valuation is \$32,802,243, up \$2,877,805 from last year's valuation of \$29,924,438.

The 13.679 mill levy will be assessed against property in Valley County to raise \$448,690.58. A break-down of the mill levy is as follows:

General Fund	8.393
Road Fund	2.983
Relief Fund	1.006
Hospital Maintenance Fund	.500
	12.882

Added to this amount will be .797 mills to retire bonds on the new bridge wing built a few years ago. With this the total mill levy totals 13.679.

Along with that assessment, residents of Valley County will have miscellaneous other taxes levied against them including mill levies for everything from township libraries to reclamation districts. In many cases, the location of the property being taxed determines the tax rate.

Township taxes for libraries and cemeteries in Arcadia raise to 1.655.

After reviewing the mill levy and the 1977 budget, County Supervisors voted to peg the mill levy at 13.679, down 606 mills from last year's levy of 14.285.

In other business, supervisors HEARD Jim and Sandy Kuhn explain the beginning of their appraisal of the county by Midwest Appraisal Company.

SIGNED documents from the Old West Regional Commission on the surplus jeep acquired some time ago, which now gives the county full custody or ownership of the vehicle.

RECEIVED at noon and returned at 1 p.m. when Ron Radl with the Central Nebraska Community Action Agency told of grants that could be obtained without any matching funds from the county. Chairman Ted Lenker signed a document giving Valley County Supervisors approval of their nonparticipation in these grants.

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K-N Hikes Rates For Natural Gas

Notice of new natural gas rates has been filed by Kansas-Nebraska Natural Gas Company for residential and commercial users in the 153 communities served at retail by K-N in Nebraska.

The new rates reflect increases in the cost of gas purchased by K-N for use in the Nebraska communities. These costs have risen as the result of price escalations provided for in long-term gas purchase contracts, increasing cost of gas resulting from new gas purchase contract, and increases in area prices determined by the Federal Power Commission.

In the 221 towns served at retail by K-N which are located east of McCook, the new rates amount to 7.6¢ per Mcf, which will add an approximate \$11.40 per year to homeowner's average bill.

The new rates will go into effect on October 1, 1977.

Forgery Charges Have Been Filed

Forgery charges have been filed against Jill Korth of Scotia. According to records in County Court, she recently issued a \$20 check to a Jack and Jill Grocery Store using the name of Elizabeth Korth.

In an August 29 court appearance, bond for the young Scotia resident was set at \$25,000 and a Sept. 8 preliminary hearing scheduled for 3 p.m.

Fire and Rescue

Aug. 26. Rescue unit called to the football field. Jeff Grooms, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Grooms, taken to Valley County Hospital.

Aug. 29. Rescue unit called to Joe Holzinger residence in North Loup.

Aug. 29. Fire call to Mid-Nebraska hotel at 404 South 16. Malfunction of alarm system at the residence.

School Bells Ring For 793 Students

A total of 793 students answered opening day school bells Monday when Ord and Comstock schools started their 1977-78 school year. On hand to greet the students were nine new teachers.

School personnel started preparing for the new academic year August 25 when a two day series of workshops and discussions were held. The series was to acquaint both old and new teachers with school policies while reviewing coming events for the school year.

The entire Ord Public Schools teaching and administrative staff consists of:

ADMINISTRATION
Dr. William Gogan, Superintendent; Dave Vandorheim, Ord High Principal; Mike Johnson, Ord Elementary Principal; and Eldon Buoy, Guidance Counselor.

SECONDARY STAFF
Rod Adams — Art, Dr. Paint, Crafts, Sculpture, Leatherwork.
Frank Andresson — Vocational Agriculture and P.F.A.
Lon Bartholomew — Chemistry and Science.

Angela Batenhorst — Adult Living, Home Economics.
Alice Bergan — English and Commercial Arts.

Jim Blessen — Physiology, Biology.
Ed Bosworth — Audio-Visual Aids, and Bookkeeping.

Crystal Brockman — Mathematics and English.
Ed B. Rubin — Shop, Metalworking, Woodworking, Power Mechanics.

Al Cudly — General Business, Shorthand, Economics, and Typing.
Doyle Denney — Typing, Bookkeeping, Physical Education.

Ron Dugan — English and American Government.
Wilma Erikson — High School Librarian.

Linda Hasselbring — Special Education.
Dan Hersh — American History, Sociology, Psychology.

Dale Huebner — Geometry, Algebra II and Business Math.
Barbara Johnson — Home Economics.

Dale Johnson — Guitar, Glee, Vocal Groups, Singing, Singers, and Music.
Suzanne Keene — Spanish and English.

Arden Koelling — Shop, Mechanical Drawing, Wood-

working.
Darrel Kremke — Algebra, Mathematics, Advanced Math and Physics.

Don Nekuda — English and Activities Director.
Jim Oshesner — Humanities, Elementary Music, Junior and Varsity Band.

Tom Rhodes — Science, 7, 8, 9.
Allen Rubesh — Physical Education, American History and European Studies.

John Sajevic — English and Journalism.
Ken Trubey — Social Studies, European Studies, Driver Education.

Jan Weber — Women's Physical Education.
Fred Williams — Mathematics, Driver Education.

ELEMENTARY STAFF
Chrystal Brockman — Developmental Reading.
Richard Cecetka — Sixth Grade.

Maxine Gailey — Fourth Grade.
Deloris "Lu" Gibb — Second Grade.
Cynthia Glidden — Second Grade.

Linda Hasselbring — Special Ed. and Speech Therapist.
John Hyde — Sixth Grade.
Irma King — Kindergarten.

Dorothy Landon — Third Grade.
Charlene Lola — Fifth Grade.
Doris Manning — Librarian.

Doris Minsky — First Grade.
Mary Murray — Physical Education.
Gary Patch — Fourth Grade.

Margaret Sajevic — Vocal Music.
Nyeulah Sanders — Third Grade.
Linda Uher — Fifth Grade.

Rachel Weinman — First Grade.
Alice White — Developmental Reading.

COMSTOCK STAFF
Terry Drake — Developmental Reading.
Jim Goodrich — Fourth - Sixth Grade.

Dorothy Riddle — Kindergarten - Third Grade.
Of the nine new teachers in the school system, eight are replacements for teachers who have left. The ninth, Ann Hurlbert, will step into a new position as a speech therapist and special education teacher. The

work of Dr. R. A. Hurlbert, Ord dentist, she is well known to many area residents.

Another teacher familiar to Ordites is Jim Ochesner. He taught music in the Ord School System six years ago before accepting a job elsewhere in the state.

One new course being offered this year is Power Mechanics. The two-semester program is a combination of a first textbook study of power trains, hydraulic systems, etc. and a hands-on study of the same mechanical devices during the second semester of the program.

Other curriculum changes and additions include the Swing Singers. The vocal music group has been around Ord High for some years, but heretofore never offered during school hours and as part of the regular school program. In their eight years existence, the singing group has regularly appeared at many school events.

This, and other changes, were made possible by the addition of one period to the daily school schedule. Shaving ten minutes off each of the six periods offered in the 1976-77 school year created a new seventh period this year.

Two new humanities classes, an increased number of driver education classes, and extra sessions of the same subject were listed by Schools Superintendent, Dr. Bill Gogan as benefits coming from the expanded schedule.

One other time change is that this year classes will begin at 8:25 a.m., not 8:40 as they did last year. Both elementary and high school classes will dismiss at 3:00 p.m.

A quick check of first-day enrollment figures shows 310 students registered in the Ord Elementary School, 25 at the Comstock facility containing grades K-6 and 458 at Ord High. The total enrollment of 793 is down one from last year's first day total of 794.

In a quiz interview Tuesday Dr. Gogan was happy to report that everything went smoothly the first day. Only minor hitches, like a few of the younger students forgetting to ride the bus, developed. "All in all," he summed up, "it looks like we're off and running into what could be a good year."

Estimated 291 Students In North Loup-Scotia Schools

An estimated 291 students answered school bells Thursday in grades K-12 of the North Loup-Scotia schools.

First day classes were from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. with classes last Monday, Wednesday running 8:30 - 12:30 for Popcorn Days.

On hand to greet the new students were seven new teachers. They are:

Denise Schipporeit — who will teach second grade in the elementary school during the 1977-78 school year. She is a graduate of Silver Creek High School and Kearney State College.

Larry Rickagaugh — who will teach sixth grade. The graduate of Omaha Westside High taught at Burwell last year. He lists Kearney State College as his alma mater.

Larry Hermismeyer — will be the guidance counselor at North Loup-Scotia High. He is a graduate of Nebraska Christian High School at Central City and received his Masters Degree from Kearney State College in 1975. Hermismeyer taught at Elm Creek for the last six years.

Brent Moerer is the new head basketball coach. Along with guiding the Wildcat eagles, he will teach modern problems, social studies, and American History. He is a graduate of Kearney State College. Becky Jantz — will teach instrumental music, grades 5 - 12 and vocal music grades 7 - 12 this fall. Miss Jantz is a graduate

of Lexington High School and the University of Nebraska.

Richard Oreskovich — is the new North Loup-Scotia High biology teacher this year. A Newcastle, WY High School graduate, he received his teaching certificate from the Black Hills State College, Spearfish, SD.

Sandra Bartholomew — wife of Ord teacher Lon Bartholomew, will be teaching mathematics during the 1977 - 78 school year. Mrs. Bartholomew is a December 1976 graduate of Kearney State College and has taught at Winside Public Schools.

New — Expanded Courses
North Loup-Scotia Superintendent Alfred Newman listed curriculum changes for the 1977-78 school year including a psychology course that has been added to the teaching program. The subject will be offered at a sophomore level. Around 12 students have signed up for the class.

Another change is that the photography class taught by Kathy Rakness will have greater depth than it did last year. New equipment and a newly completed dark room will offer students taking the course better facilities.

Response to the class, offered last year for the first time, is such that it will be included in the adult education classes scheduled to start the latter part of September.

Sports fans will note improvements in the Wildcat home field this year. New lights have been installed and an asphalt track laid around the gridiron. Bleachers on the east side of the field have had paint-up touch-up improvements over the summer.

Superintendent Newman had what he described as "a case of the start of the year itch." Symptoms, as listed by Newman, include an enthusiasm over school improvements and an optimistic outlook on the school year.

A break-down of students under his guidance in the North Loup-Scotia system is as follows:

12th grade	— 26 students
11th grade	— 22 students
10th grade	— 30 students
9th grade	— 25 students
8th grade	— 27 students
7th grade	— 31 students
6th grade	— 24 students
5th grade	— 19 students
4th grade	— 22 students
3rd grade	— 21 students
2nd grade	— 12 students
1st grade	— 20 students
Kindergarten	— 12 students.

Ord Markets

	LAST Week	This Week
Wheat	1.83	1.86
Oats	.80	.85
Corn	1.42	1.44
Milo	2.22	2.30
Eggs	.23	.23



SAFE SHOOTING — Thirteen novice shooters turned out for the Karp and Krow sponsored gun safety course Sunday at the Ord Vets Club. After seeing a film on how not to handle a firearm, instructors Dale Melia, Ken Petska, Dr. C. E. Blaha, and Dr. R. A. Hurlbert went over safe shooting practices with the youngsters.

According to the instructors, most gun handling accidents happen to the 10-19 year old age group. This safety clinic, and others like it they have sponsored in years past, is an effort to reduce this accident rate.

Here, Dale Melia reminds the young marksmen that when handling a gun the safety should always be on, and the gun checked to make sure it is unloaded.

Extensive Damage in One Vehicle Mishap

A one-car accident nine miles southwest of Burwell Monday did extensive damage to truck driven by Max A. Wilson of that town. According to the Valley County Sheriff's Department, the 19 year old driver was headed south on a county road just south of the old Polish Church when the 1963 Chevrolet pickup left the road and slammed into a bank along side the road.

Wilson apparently lost control of the truck, Sheriff Sonnenfeld stated Tuesday morning.

The vehicle was damaged extensively, however Wilson was only shaken up by the accident.

Sonnenfeld told the Quiz a Burwell policeman pursuing a speeding vehicle discovered the accident late Monday night.

Gilliland Facing Theft-Forgery Charges

Charles Gilliland, 45, is facing charges of forgery and theft according to records in District Court. Papers filed by the County Attorney's office in the Valley County Courthouse charge him with forging \$205 worth of checks between May 27 and June 4 of 1977 and with stealing more than \$300 belonging to Adeline Adamek of Ord.

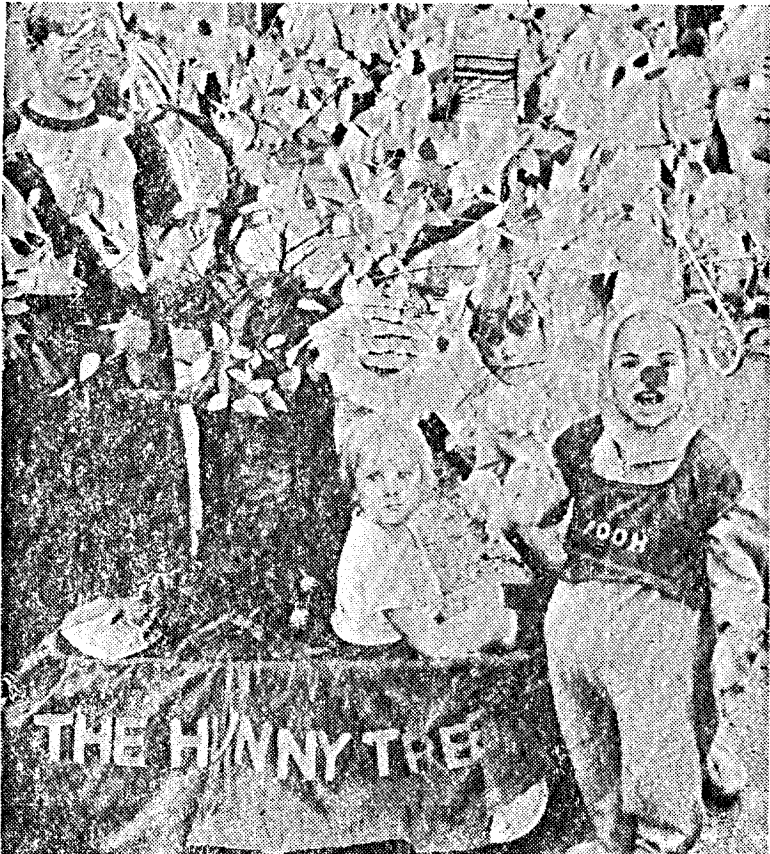
Forgery carries a maximum sentence of 20 years imprisonment and a \$500 fine. The theft charges filed against him could result in a one to seven year prison sentence.

A court date has not yet been set, according to Greg Jensen of the County Attorney's office.

Gilliland remains in custody of the Valley County Sheriff's office pending his court appearance.

Ord Varsity Football Schedule

Date	Time	Opponent	Location
Friday, Sep. 2	7:30	Cozad	Home
Friday, Sep. 9	7:30	Northwest	Away
Friday, Sep. 16	7:30	Holdrege	Home
Friday, Sep. 23	7:30	Albion	Away
Friday, Sep. 30	7:30	Aurora	Home
Friday, Oct. 7	7:30	Central City	Away
Friday, Oct. 14	7:30	Central Catholic	Home
Friday, Oct. 21	7:30	Broken Bow	Away
Friday, Oct. 28	7:30	Gothenburg	Away



WINNIE THE POOH — Pooh and her friends won first place in the Wagons and Strollers division of the children's parade Tuesday during Popcorn Days. Pooh, in real life, is Heather Zanger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Zanger. Nikki Holtz portrayed Christopher Robin (seated by tree) and Nathan Holtz took the part of Rabbit. Both are children of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Holtz.

Young Marksmen To Juvenile Court

The case involving some youths that caused a power outage August 22 has been referred to juvenile court according to Valley County Attorney Robert Stowell.

As such, their identities and the court proceedings will remain sealed records.

According to Valley County Sheriff Martin Sonnenfeld, the three boys shot out a large number of insulators on REA lines located one mile southeast of Ord Monday, August 22. The power lines, counted out causing an estimated 4,000 homes in a three-county area to be without electrical power for 90 minutes.

Area Residents Enjoy Moisture

Ord area residents continued to enjoy above average rainfall this week. Tuesday night, around midnight, a combination of rain and hail fell on the area.

Rainfall this week was estimated at around two and a half inches.

Farmers, gardeners, and those tending lawns rejoiced in the above average rainfall this year. A casual drive around town shows several yards to be emerald green.

Council Opens Pool Construction Bids

The Ord City Council opened bids for construction of the planned new municipal swimming pool during their Tuesday night meeting in City Hall. They and Bill Schlaebitz of Clark Emmersen and Associates pool architects, accepted bids from general, mechanical, and electrical contractors.

Apparent low bid from an electrical contractor was submitted by Pascal P. Paddock Inc. of Oklahoma City, OK, \$16,000. Other bids submitted in this division came from Enslay Electrical Co. of Grand Island (\$16,754), Vans Electric Co. of Grand Island (\$22,817), and General Electric Co. of Ord (\$17,750).

Two bids were received from general contractors for pool work. These were bids of \$223,900 from Pascal P. Paddock Inc. of Oklahoma City, and \$185,870 from Christiansen Construction Co. of Pender, NE.

Mechanical contractors submitted four bids on that section of the pool project. These came from Midwestern Plumbing and Heating of Grand Island (\$73,891), Christiansen Construction Co. of Pender (\$68,900), Midwest Plumbing and Heating of Norfolk (\$71,760), and Pascal P. Paddock (\$81,500).

All bids were referred to Schlaebitz for further consideration, and were accepted subject to review.

Electrical contractor Gene Augustyn of Ord failed to get his bid to City Hall by closing time. After a quick phone call to City Attorney Bob Stowell, Ord Mayor Gaylord Bolesen and the council elected to take his bid with the understanding it could be rejected at a later date.

When a low bidder is formally announced and the contract on the pool construction project awarded, work will likely begin shortly afterward, according to City Councilman C. J. Klimek. The pool, approved in an election last November, will be built on the present pool site in north Ord, next to Bussell Park.

Before construction can begin, the present pool, built in 1947 will be torn down. Klimek told the Quiz negotiations with several local contractors are in progress on a contract for pool destruction. Should an agreement be reached the 30 year old structure could be razed in the near future.

In other business, the council voted to advertise for a new or used backhoe. Should one be purchased, it would be used for digging water mains, snow removal, etc. according to City Engineer Gene Daugh.

Court News

County Court
Traffic and Misdemeanor
Roy D. Dwell, expired inspection sticker, \$10.
Roy D. Cone, speeding, \$15.
Gregg A. Hecke, failure to yield right of way, \$15.
Diane D. Waldron, Lincoln, speeding, \$25.
Connie L. Freeman, Mead, speeding, \$15.
Kendall J. Packer, Wood River, speeding, no operators license on person, \$25.
Eugene W. Leach, Lincoln, overweight on capacity plates, \$100.
Geo. W. Lanners, Carleton, Ne., no inspection sticker, \$10.
Leonard M. Urbanski, Ord, illegal U turn, \$15.
Kimberly L. Sich, North Loup, obstructing traffic, \$15.
Gordon D. Lange, Ord, display of speed, \$20.
Steve W. Finley, Ord, speeding, \$25.
Jerry S. Kriewald, Ord, expired operators license, \$10.

Small Claims Court
Jim Swanson vs. Al. Kittle. Plaintiff seeks \$225 owed for materials allegedly furnished May 23 - 27, 1977.

Police Report

8-18 A Diamond T truck and an 1976 GMC truck collided at the intersection of highway 11 and the Sargent Road. The GMC truck, driven by Jerry P. Collier was headed north on highway 11 as was the Diamond T driven by Alvin Manchester. The Diamond truck was going to make a left turn on to the Sargent road when the GMC vehicle was attempting to pass.

Damages were estimated at \$3,000 for the GMC truck and \$1,000 for the Diamond T.

8-14 Mrs. Mike Kush of 616 North 18 Street reported a small storage shed at the rear of the residence was broken into and minor vandalism done. Nothing was taken.

8-25 A 1973 Ford Maverick owned by William J. Schamp of Elyria was struck by a hit and run car. The Ford was parked on M between 15 and 16 streets in Ord.

Damage was estimated at \$150. 8-28 Spencer Douthitt reported the theft of a set of golf clubs from a vehicle parked in the Ord Eiks Club parking lot, north of town.

