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Plattsmouth Chosen for Next Court of Honor

Large Number from Here Present at Neb. City Court, Including Ten Local Troop Members

Plattsmouth furnished by far the largest out of town group present at the district Boy Scout court of honor held at Nebraska City last night. Elmwood had the second largest representation, consisting of five boys who received advancement and their scoutmaster, Ernest Baker.

The court of honor ceremonies were held in a room of the Legion Memorial building and were quite largely attended.

At the conclusion of the ceremonies a business meeting was held with the assistant area scoutmaster, Lee E. Harbottle, of Lincoln, to decide upon the place of holding the next district court of honor, and the invitation of Plattsmouth was unanimously accepted. This court will be held on the evening of January 10th, and bring Scouts here for advancement and merit badges from many of the seventeen towns in the district that maintain troops. Cass, Otoe and Nemaha counties are included in this district.

Among the towns in Cass county maintaining troops are Plattsmouth, Weeping Water, Elmwood, Greenwood, Nehawka and Louisville.

The greater part of the awards at last night's court were merit badges, although there were a number of advancements in rank allowed by the district examining board.

The Elmwood boys included Howard Liston and Dwight Clements, advanced to first class Scouts; Donald Kelley, Kenneth Bornemeier and Warren Pahl, advanced to second class Scouts.

The Plattsmouth boys who received one or more merit badges, were John and Burton Rishel, Bob Taylor, Bill Rosencrans, Bill Evers, Stephen Davis and James Robertson. Application for the advancement of Robertson to the high rank of an Eagle Scout had been approved by the area office, but the credentials had not arrived from New York, and it was decided to withhold the conferring of this honor until the next court to be held here in January.

Francis Libershal, another Plattsmouth boy, was accorded the high honors of the court, when he was awarded the bronze palm. His Eagle Scout certificate was presented at an impressive local court of honor last spring, prior to the new set-up in Scouting that provides advancements must be made at district courts. The bronze palm is awarded for six months additional Scouting service after receipt of the Eagle award and the earning of five additional merit badges, over and above the twenty-one required to become an Eagle Scout. After another six months and the earning of five more badges he will be eligible to receive a gold palm and still later, under similar conditions, the silver palm.

The presentation of this award was made by a Nebraska City minister, who is scoutmaster of one of the troops there and who likened "this lone eagle" to the well known "lone eagle" of flying fame, admonishing him to continue his advancement in the realms of Scouting.

Following the presentation of the various awards, Mr. Harbottle told of plans for anniversary week in February, when thirty-six Nebraska Scouts, selected from the thirty-six districts of the state will take over the reigns of state government from the office of governor down, for a period of two days, February 8 and 9. A banquet will be held in Lincoln on the night before they assume office, attended by the state officers they are to replace, and each will draw the name of a boy who will step into his shoes. Each troop in the district is to select its candidate for this honor, and at a business meeting of the district committee to be held in Nebraska City early in December, the boy who will represent this district in Lincoln will be chosen.

Mr. Harbottle also laid stress on the fact that under the new Scouting set-up no town can receive advancement except through attendance of its candidates at the district courts of

honor and appearance before court of honor examining board, which convenes an hour or more before the set time for the court ceremonies. This board is made up of the advancement directors of the various troops in the district.

It was voted that all requests for advancement should be in the area office at Lincoln a full week ahead of the date of holding a court of honor, or not later than January 3, in the case of the next court here on January 10th.

Aulton Roland, of Plattsmouth, who recently completed a course of instruction at the district school of Scouting in Nebraska City and has qualified as assistant scoutmaster, and Russell Reeder, the first assistant scoutmaster of the local troop, were among those present from here and Mr. Reeder made the presentation of some of the awards, as did E. H. Westcott, local Scout executive. In addition to these, three of the five members of the Legion Scout committee were present from here, as well as Mrs. W. A. Robertson. The absence of Scoutmaster Raymond Larson, who is attending a training camp at Fort Snelling for reserve officers prevented his attendance at the court.

Death of Fred Stewart Occurs at Broken Bow

Former Resident of This City and One Time Councilman, Passes Away After Long Illness.

Fred Stewart, 42, a resident of Plattsmouth for a number of years and former member of the city council from the fifth ward, died Wednesday at Broken Bow, Nebraska, messages received here late Wednesday stated.

Mr. Stewart had been in very poor health for some months, suffering a stroke the past summer and had since gradually grown worse until death came to his relief.

Mr. Stewart was engaged here for several years in working in the local shops of the Burlington and later was engaged as one of the staff at the Nebraska Masonic Home, resigning this position when he removed to the west part of the state and where he had since resided.

The deceased was married to Miss Laura Rhodes at Nebraska City in May, 1923, and those of the family surviving him are the widow and six children, the oldest being Harold Robert, by a former marriage, aged 9, the youngest child, 11 months, all of Broken Bow, and a sister, Mrs. H. B. Perry of this city as well as an aunt, Mrs. Jack Seltzer of Paducah, Kentucky.

In the loss that has come to them the members of the family will have the deep sympathy of the old friends in this community where for so many years Mr. Stewart had been an active figure.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at the Methodist church at Broken Bow and the body brought to Plattsmouth Friday and services held at 3 p. m. at the H. B. Perry home, interment being at Oak Hill cemetery.

ORGANIZING FOR BASKETBALL

The city is to have a basketball team that will number among its players some of the best material that has been seen on high school teams of recent years.

The members of the squad met last evening at the high school and commenced the series of practices that will be carried on in the next few weeks to fit the members for the season opening.

The town team will embrace practically all of the team that were regional winners in 1931-32, Henry Donat, Clarence Forbes, Robert Rummel, Sam Arn, Louis Knoficek, as well as Francis Yelick, John Svoboda, Richard Spangler, Ralph Timm and not the least, Joe Krejci, late Peru college star.

The team desires to play some of the best teams in this section of the west and are hoping for a good patronage of their games and support from the Plattsmouth people as there is more or less expense for the team in cost for rent and other items for practice as well as playing nights.

Nebraska Road Project Puts 1,000 at Work

'Excessive' Bids and Desire to Speed Jobs Prompts State to Do It 'On Own'

Lincoln, Nov. 15.—Nebraska's million-dollar venture "on its own" into the road building business this fall put more than 1,000 men to work directly by the state and brought reports of savings on first projects finished.

The state built several minor roads for itself in recent years to get cost comparisons with contractors' offerings, but this year marked the state's entry into the game on a large scale.

Speeds Work.
Contractors' bids which Governor Charles W. Bryan called excessive and the desire to speed men to work under federal emergency road funds led to the state's decision to do the work itself on more than 225 miles of grading, about 11 miles of bituminous mat surfacing, about 40 miles of gravel surfacing and numerous bridge projects.

State Engineer Roy Cochran checked the first completions and reported substantial savings below bids which had been rejected. He said the state completed 11.3 miles of bituminous mat work in western Nebraska for \$21,817 for a saving of more than \$15,000 under the lowest bid of \$36,329. On a grading and clay surfacing project, the low bid of \$11,900 was rejected and Cochran said the state did the work for \$5,500, about a 50 per cent saving.

Projects Under Way.
When federal officials complained road work was not being got under contract quickly enough Governor Bryan obtained permission to have the state do about \$750,000 of grading on secondary feeder roads. With the time necessary for preparing complete plans and calling for bids eliminated, the state highway department got these projects under way quickly. At the same time the state began work on more than \$25,000 of maintenance gravel work where bids had been rejected as too high and a number of small bridge projects from its own funds.

Soon more than 1,000 men were at work, directly under the state's supervision.

ENTERTAINS FOR FRIEND

From Thursday's Daily
Mrs. D. C. Morgan was hostess at a very delightful dinner party held last evening at the main dining room of the Brown cafe, the occasion honoring Mrs. James H. Donnelly, of Madison, Wisconsin. Mrs. Donnelly is a house guest at the Gering home and the guests at the dinner were old friends and associates of Mrs. Donnelly in the years that she was a resident of this city.

Mrs. Mary Cook, who leaves today for Detroit and Miss Edna Fry were also honor guests.

The tables were arranged with decorations of the fall flowers and made a most attractive setting with the snowy linen, sparkling silver and glass.

Following the dinner the ladies enjoyed the time in visiting with their hostess and guest of honor and many interesting stories of the former days in this city were related by the group of old friends.

WHERE THE IVY TWINES

The office of the clerk of the district court has a relic of better and happier days in the court house, when telephone service was to be had with the different offices, before it was decided to limit the telephones to that in the office of the sheriff.

The aforesaid relic is the telephone that once was vibrate and full of sound but now stands silent, an ivy plant that has been growing in a nearby pot has extended its twining branches and now has covered the cord and part of the telephone instrument itself, standing as a monument of fallen grandeur and like one of the ancient castles long fallen to decay.

The Journal aims to print all the news and will appreciate your assistance to that end. Call No. 6.

AN INTERESTING PROGRAM

The Journal has a program which is the property of Mrs. D. C. Morgan, that will be of much interest to a large number of the residents here as a reminder of the days in the Plattsmouth schools. The program is one of "Mrs. Wiggs in the Cabbage Patch," being put on by the grades from the first to eighth, some twenty-five years ago. The play was arranged by Miss Anna Helzel, then teacher in the eighth grade of the city schools.

The cast includes many whose children are now in high school themselves. The ones taking part in the play were Jean Morrissey, Earl Hassler, Josephine Hall, Charles Kirchenblatt, Marie Douglas, Harriett Clement, Esther Larson, Lucille Cass, Helen Gans, Crete Briggs, Paul Morgan, Douglas Pearce, Helen Herold, Pearl Barton, Charles Joineck, Ray Schlappeasse.

Others who took part in the entertainment were Charlotte Peizer, Halle Parmele, Ellen Pollock, Barbara Clement, Clarence White, Marie Bookmeyer, Carl Ehinger, these furnishing vocal numbers and readings.

Fontenelle Chapter Holds a Birthday Party

Anniversary of President General Observed—Mrs. H. J. Carey, State Regent Is Here.

Fontenelle chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution on Wednesday had the pleasure of having with them a group of the state officers of the society, as well as the observance of the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Edith Mason, president general.

The meeting was especially arranged for the birthday party and was held at the attractive home of Mrs. L. O. Minor which had been arranged in keeping with the birthday spirit, the table being arranged with decorations of the silver candles and with the large birthday cake arranged with the glowing red candles.

The chapter had present as their guests, Mrs. H. J. Carey, Kearney, state regent; Mrs. Frank Barker, Omaha, state vice-regent; Mrs. C. O. Merchant, Hastings, state auditor and Miss Sarah Finch.

The birthday party was observed nation wide as the day for contributions for constitutional hall at Washington and the local ladies presented a neat sum for the use of the national organization at Washington.

The members heard a very fine discussion of the affairs of the chapters over the state given by Mrs. Carey, who also took up the plans for the year. She paid a high tribute to the local chapter for the fine record that it had made in the way of accomplishments.

As the afternoon drew to the close dainty refreshments were served by Mrs. Minor who was assisted by her daughter, Miss Eleanor.

Preceding the meeting the visiting officers were luncheon guests of Mrs. E. H. Westcott, past state regent, at her home "Sunnyside."

CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

From Friday's Daily
Last evening a group of friends of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Brown joined in assisting them in the observance of their twenty-second wedding anniversary. The event was held at the main dining room of the Brown cafe, where the members of the party spent the evening at cards and dancing.

One of the enjoyed features of the evening was the mock wedding, the bridal party being composed of Inez Stott, bride; Fern Arends, groom; Mary Ellen Byers, bridesmaid; Edna Taylor, best man; Wilma Vernon, ring bearer and Helen Virginia Pries, minister. The bridal bouquet was of vegetables and the "ring" was borne in the heart of an onion.

In honor of the occasion the guest of honor was presented with many appropriate gifts.

Those who attended the event were Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Ed H. Tritsch, Mr. and Mrs. John Micin, Mr. and Mrs. Brown and the members of the bridal party.

Platters Take Nebraska City; Score 19 to 0

Locals in Second Half of Game Play Great Football—Ronne Stars in Annual Classic.

For the second year in succession the Plattsmouth high school football team were victorious in the annual classic with Nebraska City Friday afternoon. This time the struggle was on the home grounds and the local rooters had the opportunity of seeing the Platters, led by the brilliant work of William Ronne, take a 19 to 0 victory.

It was a big day for Ronne, battering back the locals, a fitting close of the four years that he has worn the blue and white on the football field and left a record of playing ability that has made him outstanding.

The opening half of the game was a see-saw between the teams, the locals making some nice gains that, however, were useless, as succeeding plays lost the advantage gained in the plays. In the first quarter the Platters threatened when Nebraska City punted to have the ball returned by Ronne to mid field and from where battering attacks by Armstrong advanced the ball. A pass from Armstrong to Ronne allowed the full-back to race to the thirty yard line of Nebraska City, Armstrong then leaping through the visitors line looking good for a touchdown but on being tackled the ball slipped from his grasp, Nebraska City recovering. The visitors punted out, but the Platters were unable to threaten again in the opener.

In the second quarter Nebraska City threatened the goal of the Platters and only the rock wall of the local line prevented the desperate attempts to break through. Plays were tried through the line unsuccessfully and then a pass was tried without avail and a second attempt resulted in a loss as Oliver Taylor, center, attacked the passer for a loss. Plattsmouth punted out after gaining the ball.

The half ended with the ball in mid-field.

The first scoring of Plattsmouth happened a few moments after the opening of the second half when Plattsmouth recovered the ball on a fumble and on the first play, Ronne, carrying the ball with splendid support from the linemen, swept around the Nebraska City right end and warding off the first line of defense was away for fifty yards, the first score of the game, a brilliant run that gave the customers a thrill. The try for the extra point was unsuccessful as Armstrong was rushed and failed to get off the kick.

The locals held Nebraska City to gain the ball for what was to be as thrilling a play as that of Ronne, Armstrong and McCleary made good gains to bring the ball to the forty yard line and then a fast lateral pass from McCleary to Howard Hirz was thrown and the fast Plattsmouth end, eluding the first line of Nebraska City swept on down the field for the second touchdown, making good his reputation as a sprinter as he raced toward the purple and gold goal. The extra point was made on a line smash by Ronne and the score stood Plattsmouth thirteen and Nebraska City, nothing.

The visitors in the opening of the fourth tried a passing attack that netted them good yardage, but their attack closed when Oliver Taylor intercepted a pass.

The Plattsmouth team starting their march to the Nebraska City goal featured good runs by Ronne, in off tackle plays and Bernard Knoficek also made a good sweep around the end for a first down on the visitors' thirty yard line. Kalina advanced the ball on an off tackle play and the ball was in the danger zone for the visitors. The Platters then opened their passing attack and a long pass from McCleary nestled in the outstretched arms of Wayne Hiner, lengthy end of the locals who ran three yards and the ball was over for the third touchdown. It was a well timed pass and sailed over the heads of the blue and gold players to Hiner.

The game closed with the ball on the Plattsmouth thirty-five yard line as the result of a passing attack

that had gained Nebraska City considerable yardage.

The last game of the season for the 1933 Platters will be next Friday when they meet the Nebraska School for the Deaf here. This game will be the last high school game for Armstrong, Ronne, Greenhaus, Jensen, Knoficek, Kalina, Oliver and Jess Taylor, Rhodes, McCleary, Hiner, Graves, Lamberson.

MANY ENJOY SUPPER

From Friday's Daily
The ladies auxiliary of the Presbyterian church held another of their delightful chicken pie supper last evening at the Fellowship room of the church and which was very largely attended.

The ladies had prepared a very fine menu and which was appreciated to the utmost by the members of the supper party and the ladies were kept busy for the evening in serving the many who were going and coming.

The chicken pie suppers that this organization has served was originated a number of years ago and has always proved a most pleasant feature of the fall and winter season.

City to Seek Funds to Make Improvements

Federal Aid in State Available for Civic Work Projects in the Amount of \$3,500,000.

The federal government is sending to Nebraska the sum of \$3,500,000 that is to be used in civic public improvements of various kinds as the means of stimulating employment and in this fund the city of Plattsmouth will seek a part for needed public works.

The funds so expended, the government has ruled, must cover sixty-five per cent for labor and thirty-five per cent for material on the various jobs undertaken.

In this city there are two projects that could well come under the provisions of this act, one being that of the repaving of Sixth street from Vine to Pearl, as well as the completion of the stadium at the Washington avenue athletic park, which is used by the schools for their various athletic events in the fall and spring.

The matter will be investigated by a committee representing the city and the city and county relief and re-employment committees and placed before the committee at Lincoln having the matter in charge. Should the city be able to secure these funds it would make possible the carrying out of much needed work and which would furnish employment to a number of the local people who might be out of employment or needing relief.

HAVE SPLENDID MEETING

The St. Mary's Guild and the Woman's Auxiliary of the St. Luke's church held a very pleasant joint session Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Maude Fricke, who was assisted by Mrs. Frank L. Cummins.

The ladies had the pleasure of a very delightful vocal number by Mrs. Jack Figley, the accompaniment being played by Mrs. Robert Reed, proving a much enjoyed feature of the afternoon.

The members of the societies had the pleasure of having with them Mrs. J. H. Donnelly of Madison, Wisconsin, who is visiting in the city and who enjoyed the opportunity of visiting in the two societies of which she was long an active worker. Mrs. Donnelly told of the work of the reforestation camp in Wisconsin of which her son-in-law, Captain Fitzgerald, is the commanding officer. This camp has an organized Episcopalian Sunday school and a choir of fifty voices.

The members responded to a roll call by current religious events that proved of the greatest interest.

Mrs. D. C. Morgan was a guest of the afternoon.

The hostess served very dainty and much appreciated refreshments during the afternoon that heightened the pleasures of the occasion.

Place Cards, fancy novelties and crepe paper for the Thanksgiving decorations, now on display at the Bates Book & Gift Shop.

Men in Millions Back to Work in the Next Month

Federal Relief Officials Announce Readiness to Go Into High Gear on Relief.

Washington.—Federal relief officials, charged by President Roosevelt with the task of putting 4 million men back to work during the next months, said they were "ready to go into high gear." Theoretically, they said, many thousands now receiving work relief or made work being designated on job rosters. They added that direct administration was almost entirely up to the states and their political subdivisions.

"We will get plenty of action next week," said one relief official. "Just as soon as we can get our machinery rolling."

The immediate transfer overnight of 2 million from relief rolls to jobs was described as an "administrative impossibility," but, officials said, the transfer had begun, and they were pushing this task. The veterans' administration, designated as the disbursing office for civil works projects, was ready to see that the new employees got their checks by a week from Saturday in time for Thanksgiving. The men will receive their checks thru the disbursing officers of the veterans' administration unit in their state, equipped for the task by years of experience in paying pensions, veterans' compensation and loans on adjusted service certificates.

Field agents of the federal relief administrator have gone to the states for meetings with state administrators which will continue thru the week-end in formulating details for proceeding.

The 400 million dollars supplied by the public works administration will be spent for construction and repair work too small for the public works agency to handle, or otherwise not eligible for public works projects, but which will fit into the general program.

A list of projects had been given to Harry L. Hopkins, federal relief administrator, by the public works administration, and will be sent along to the states, which will have the authority to go ahead as they wish on playgrounds, feeder highways, repairing public buildings, sewage and other non-federal construction. States, municipalities and counties that are financially able are expected to do their part toward supplying funds for related construction activity, and federal money will be used to aid areas unable to meet the bills.

The general plan being followed is to provide thirty-hour week jobs, with minimum pay for unskilled labor ranging from 40 cents an hour in the south to 50 cents in New England; the east, north central and northwestern states. Skilled labor will be paid from \$1 to \$1.25 an hour in the same areas.

State civil works administrators will be sworn in as federal agents, with full authority to act, with Washington maintaining supervision.

HAVE PLEASANT MEETING

The social meeting of the Catholic Daughters of America was held at the hospitable home of Mrs. Frank Mullen on Wednesday evening and attended by a large group of the membership.

The ladies enjoyed the passing hours in cards, bridge and pinocle being the favorite games and in the bridge contests Mrs. W. V. Ryan proved the winner while in the pinocle games Mrs. Anna Zitzka received the prize.

At the close of the afternoon dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Mullen, Mrs. Cyril Kaha, Mrs. Elmer Webb, Miss Elizabeth Bergmann and Miss Minnie Guthmann.

CALLED TO LOUISVILLE

From Saturday's Daily
Sheriff Homer Sylvester was called to Louisville this morning where an auto accident had occurred, as the members of the auto party were unable to agree as to the responsibility of the accident. The sheriff arrived at the scene and served as the peacemaker on the affair.