

Plattsmouth Committee Passes \$15,000 Quota For Masonic Home Fund

Plattsmouth Masons Tuesday had passed their original goal of \$15,000 in local contributions toward the \$350,000 fund to be raised by Nebraska Masons for additions to the Nebraska Masonic home for the aged here.

Efforts of the local committee were not to be slackened, however and work will continue here with the hope that Plattsmouth will go far beyond its quota, said Henry Schneider, chairman of the committee.

Others on the committee are E. H. Bernhardt and Henry Noltling.

More than \$75,000 cash from over the state had been turned in to the fund, Wm. F. Evers, superintendent of the home, said Tuesday.

Many lodges have not as yet turned in cash although an unestimated amount has been pledged. The move was believed to be gain momentum, however.

The \$350,000, when the campaign has been finished, will be used to construct two four-story additions to the home. The additions would eliminate a fire hazard presented by the older buildings, and permit admission of many additional aged persons.

Two wings would be added to the partially completed structure built as an infirmary in 1924 and now used largely for living quarters for aged persons requiring special care.

Members of the 284 Masonic lodges throughout Nebraska have been asked to contribute and committees named for solicitation in each of the lodges.

How long it would take to complete the drive Evers could not estimate Tuesday.

"If they would all do as Plattsmouth is doing there wouldn't be much to it," Evers said.

Throughout the years since the home was established in 1903 it has been maintained by the grand lodge of Nebraska. The present campaign is the first in which Masons have been asked to make specific contributions toward a building fund, according to Leslie E. Martin, chairman of the board of trustees, Omaha.

Two Omaha Couples Married Here Thursday Afternoon

Earl O. LaBounty and Ellen Sullivan of Omaha, and Cpl. Raymond N. Merrill and Evelyn Jean Johnson of Omaha were married Thursday afternoon at the Methodist church in a ring ceremony performed by Rev. T. Porter Bennett.

Preceding the ceremony Mrs. R. B. Hayes sang "I Love You Truly." The wedding march was played by Mrs. Edgar Newton.

Cpl. Merrill served with the armed forces in Germany before his return to the United States.

Cass County to Get \$4,042 Gas Revenue

Cass county will receive \$4,042.22 as its share of the \$288,223.91 to be distributed to counties over Nebraska from July gas tax revenue.

Total gas tax income for the state during July was \$1,017,061. The \$288,223.91 for distribution to counties compares with \$294,089.28 for the month of June.

The July division reported by State Treasurer Carl G. Swanson shows \$480,373 road construction, \$30,853 to agriculture refunds, \$14,584 to dealer refunds, \$3,163 for administration and \$199,862 to assistance.

Sgt. H. J. Sand Married Here Wednesday Morning

Sgt. Howard J. Sand of Murray was married to Miss Marie Blake of Lincoln in a double ring ceremony in the church of the Holy Rosary Wednesday morning at nine o'clock. Witnesses were Raymond Sand, brother of the groom, and Marie Hoschar. Father Edward C. Tucek officiated.

JOLLY STITCHERS MEET

On August 1 the Jolly Stitchers met with Mildred Ann Meisinger. Achievement program is to be August 10. At an appropriate hour, refreshments were served. The Jolly Stitchers met at the home of Mary Margaret Cole recently. A demonstration on how to press a dress was given by Mildred Ann Meisinger. Refreshments were served by Mary Margaret.

Troop 365 Wins County Boy Scout Swimming Meet

Troop 365, Holy Rosary church Plattsmouth walked off with honors in the Cass county boy scout swimming meet which was staged Monday night at Merritt's beach. The troop took first place with 54 points.

Second place went to troop 366, Methodist church, Plattsmouth, with 43 points. Third place was won by troop 220, Community club, Weeping Water. Troop 367, Christian church, Plattsmouth finished fourth in the class.

In the events they placed (in position order): Diving: Jim Doody, 366; Ed Eaton, 365; L. Thimgan, 367; Dale Brookhouser, 366; Bill Capper, 365.

Beginners: Wallick, 220; S. Smith, 366; Don Clifford, 365; Ivan Myers, 367; Rozell, 367.

25-yard breast: Dan Rohan, 366; R. Kechler, 220; Dale Gray, 220; George McConkey, 367; Dale Brookhouser, 366.

75-yard crawl: Ed Eaton, 365; Bill Edwards, 366; L. Thimgan, 367; Bill Capper, 365; Tom Rohan, 365.

25-yard back: Jim Doody, 366; J. Ambler, 220; K. Schroeder, 365; Tom Puclik, 365; Reg Smith 366.

Medley relay: 366, Plattsmouth; 365, Plattsmouth 220, Weeping Water; 367, Plattsmouth.

Free-style relay: 365, Plattsmouth 220, Weeping Water; 366, Plattsmouth.

75-yard breast: L. Thimgan, 367; Ed Eaton, 365; R. Garrison, 220; Jake Taenzler, 367; R. Binter, 365.

75-yard back: Bill Edwards, 366; Bill Capper, 365; Bob Gainey, 365; Bob Cappell, 367.

50-yard crawl: Jim Doody, 366; K. Schroeder, 365; J. Ambler, 220; Dan Rohan, 365; Dick Kalasek, 365.

Shirt tail rescue: 366, Plattsmouth; 367, Plattsmouth.

Rev. Father Tucek, scoutmaster of troop 365 and camping and activities chairman for the Cass district, was director of the meet. Starter was scout executive Frank M. Chase. Carl Schneider, district scout chairman, was scorer. Judges were Rev. J. W. Taenzler, Ivan Myers, Norman Leach, C. J. White, and Mr. Marshall of Weeping Water.

Father Tucek is scoutmaster of troop 365; Dwight Edwards is scoutmaster of troop 366; Lester Thimgan heads troop 367; and Tom Stacey, Weeping Water, is in charge of troop 220.

Eagle

Lt. Albert Munn who recently returned from service in Europe is spending his furlough with his wife, the former Inez Althouse, and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Horn, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Jess Horn, returned Saturday evening from Fairplay, Mo., where they had visited a sister, Mrs. Hayes, and her family.

Mrs. Guy Jones of Danvers, Ill. stopped in Eagle for a short time Monday.

Mrs. William Ewerth is suffering from a broken hip as the result of a fall which occurred sometime ago. She is being cared for at the Lincoln General hospital.

The East O Street Homemaker club was entertained at the home of Mrs. Melvin Adams on Friday afternoon of last week.

A daughter, Paula Sue, was born to MM1c and Mrs. William Caddy at the St. Elizabeth hospital July 31st.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond H. Palmer came from Omaha Saturday and visited over Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Palmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Alkire, Jimmy and Barbara, returned Monday from Fort Worth, Texas, where Mr. Alkire had been employed with the Allen Tool company of Springfield, Ohio. Mrs. Alkire, Jimmy and Barbara joined Mr. Alkire at Fort Worth the latter part of May.

Major Brooks, Union, Executive Officer Of Fighter Squadron

Marine Major William V. Brooks, 26, of Union, has been appointed executive officer of a Hellcat fighter squadron in an all-marine aircraft carrier group, the war department has announced.

His squadron is now training at the marine corps air station, Santa Barbara, Calif.

Although marine flyers have served aboard navy carriers in the past, this is the first time escort carriers are operating with only marine squadrons aboard.

Primary purpose of the flattops is to support marine amphibious landings and ground troops.

Major Brooks already is a veteran of Pacific aerial combat and holds the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal for his exploits overseas. He set aside furlough study at Peru state teachers college, Peru, Neb., to enter flight training and was commissioned in October, 1941.

His wife, the former Jane Christensen, and two-year-old son Michael, live in Union. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Brooks, of 2108 Clark Street, Omaha.

Avoca

LEONE EVERETT, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Stovall and family of Creston, Iowa visited his mother, Mrs. Laura Stovall, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hauptman visited relatives and friends in Julian Sunday.

Ann Marquardt spent Wednesday with her grandmother, Mrs. Bedelia Stander, in Louisville.

Miss Myrtle Roebirds of Weeping Water is a guest at the Henry Maseman home this week.

Charles Stutz of Rochester, N. Y., is spending a two weeks vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Stutz, and sisters, Wilma and Jean.

Mrs. Emma Rawalt entertained the Cemetery Kensington Friday afternoon.

Elmwood

MRS. GRACE PLYBON, Correspondent

Lt. Harold Hulfish recently arrived home from service in Italy. He and his wife, Lillian, came down from their Lincoln home on Tuesday to visit his mother, Mrs. William Hulfish, his brother, Herbert, and his sister, Mrs. Belle Conkley. Harold also served in World War I.

Weekend guests at the home of Supt. and Mrs. Whitmore were her sister, Mrs. R. E. Whitford and son, and her aunt, Mrs. D. R. Lynde, all of Denver, Colo.

Cpl. Bryce Quellhorst leaves on Friday for Arkansas, where he will be given a physical test to determine whether he is to remain longer in service. He has been having an extended furlough at home after returning from a German prison camp. A part of that time he took the place of Nat Newlin at the Hall grocery.

Mr. Newlin now is to be found at the store again.

Union

Mrs. L. G. TODD, Correspondent

RT1c Ermond Moore and wife have been spending a few days the past week visiting Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Moore at Carter Lake in Omaha. While there Mr. and Mrs. Ermond Moore are also celebrating their third wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Lou Carroll has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Howard Snodgrass the past week.

Mrs. Hollis Banning and Miss Pearl Banning were shopping in Nebraska City last Thursday morning.

Mrs. Henry Chilcott, who has been living with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Witherow, the past few months, has moved to Omaha.

Mrs. Rhodes is in St. Mary's hospital in Nebraska City, having undergone a very serious operation recently.

James Clifton Hardison, fireman 2c, is attending radar school at Pearl Harbor. His family formerly lived in Omaha, but came to Plattsmouth after his induction in March and will live here for the duration.

D. L. Grove Buys Crabill Jewelry

J. W. Crabill has sold his jewelry store to D. Lyle Grove and possession of the store has already been given the new owner, it was announced Wednesday. Grove, who lives at the Coronado apartments and who has resided here since 1942, is employed at the Martin plant. Mrs. Grove will operate the store until Grove is ready to devote full time to the business.

New lines of merchandise will be added as they become available, Mrs. Grove said Wednesday, and some merchandise already has been purchased to be put in stock at the store. Crabill will assist with the business temporarily.

The Groves came to Plattsmouth from Lincoln.

Crabill recently completed 48 years in business in Plattsmouth. The store has been operated most of the last 44 years at its present location.

The business was started by Crabill as a watch repair shop with jewelry, silverware and pottery added later.

William Taylor Drowns at Beach Friday Evening

William Taylor, 17, former Plattsmouth boy, drowned while swimming at Merritt beach Friday evening despite heroic efforts of Charles "Bud" Eaton to save him.

The youth, who recently enlisted in the navy and who was home on leave following completion of boot training, swam to a raft in 16-foot deep water, and disappeared. Some persons who were at the scene said he had dived from the raft, others said he had not.

Eaton, who was nearby but not swimming, went into the water in search of him, brought him out on the first attempt. Artificial respiration was immediately applied by Eaton in an effort to restore breathing, without results.

Caldwell's inhalator, hurriedly called to the scene of the tragedy, was used to no avail for nearly an hour in the hope the youth's life might be saved.

Witnesses said the body had not been under water more than three or four minutes before he was reached by Eaton.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Taylor, 1717 Willis avenue, Omaha, the youth was born in Plattsmouth, lived here and attended Plattsmouth schools until a few years ago when the family moved to Omaha.

He was a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor, and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Dasher of Plattsmouth. Several other relatives reside here, it was said Saturday.

Three sisters, Irma, Joan, and Mary, also survive.

The boy had recently passed his seventeenth birthday and enlisted in the navy.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed Saturday noon.

Frank 'Mike' Christy Dies in California

Frank "Mike" Christy, 33, died Friday, August 3, at the government hospital in Shoemaker, Calif.

Mr. Christy attended Plattsmouth schools in 1936 and had made his home in Yuba City, Calif. He entered the navy in December, 1942.

After serving overseas in the south Pacific for one month, he was returned to the United States last November. Since that time he has been in the hospital.

His former wife, Erla Mae, passed away in July, 1943.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Frank Christy; his mother, Mrs. Lora Christy; two sisters, Edith McCain, and Mrs. Evelyn Van Laningham; two brothers, Bill Christy and Jack Christy, all of Yuba City, Calif.; and two aunts, Mrs. Virginia Kennedy and Mrs. Claud Richardson, both of Plattsmouth.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at two-thirty o'clock at the Jones Funeral home in Yuba City, Calif.

Mrs. Elizabeth Clark received a letter from her son, Charles Clark of the Merchant Marine, Saturday, saying that he arrived at Boston, Mass. Thursday, but would be unable to get home because he had only a four day leave.

His ship was being transporting troops from Europe to the United States. He hopes to get home next trip, which will probably be in October.

PLATTSMOUTH PERSONALS

A group of friends and relatives gathered at the John Alexen home Wednesday evening to help them celebrate their 37th wedding anniversary. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Anton Meisinger; Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Meisinger and Judy Ann; Mrs. Harry Porter; Andy, Irene and Betty Alexen; Mr. and Mrs. G. Lagerstrom; Mr. and Mrs. Chet Lagerstrom, Bobbie and Marsha Kaye; and the honored guests, Mr. and Mrs. John Alexen. Chet recently received an honorable discharge from the armed services and arrived home just in time for the celebration. Mr. and Mrs. Alexen received an anniversary gift from the guests. The wedding cake for the occasion had been baked by their daughter, Mrs. LeRoy Meisinger.

Beverly Ann Trotter celebrated her eleventh birthday Sunday with a birthday party at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sedlak. Games were played and refreshments were served by Beverly's mother, Mrs. Helen Trotter. A birthday cake had been baked for the occasion by Mrs. Sedlak. Those attending were Ruth Fulton, Sally Fulton, Mary Phyllis Troop, Annette Troop, Kay Simons, Peggy Krisky, Marilyn Koukol, Nancy Sedlak, Patty Ann Mason, Darlene Hall, Joan Gansemer, Phyllis Gansemer, Bobby Sedlak, Dennis Meisinger and Mrs. Ruth Meisinger of Plattsmouth; and Judy Slaten of Omaha.

Mrs. Carl Kopsichka is leaving Saturday for Portland, Ore., where she plans to make her permanent home. She has been here the past five weeks taking care of some business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Perry and son, Donald, were in Ashland Sunday and attended the competition and inspection at the State Guard camp, which Norman is attending. Bill Eckles, Jr., also a member of the Guard, accompanied them.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Jewel of McCook left Monday to return to their home after visiting here a few days with Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Fitch.

Mary Raker of Portland, Ore. visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Soennichsen. She was enroute to Boston, Mass., where she will be employed.

Miss Gerda Petersen received a letter Monday from Lt. and Mrs. Glenn D. Hutchinson of Mare Island, Calif., stating that they are the parents of a baby boy born July 18. Mrs. Hutchinson is the former Edith Quinton of Plattsmouth.

Mrs. Elwin Coolman and daughter, Beverly Jean, and Mrs. Emery Rozell left Tuesday morning for Sioux City, Iowa, where they will visit with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bourne and daughter, Leslie Ann, departed Saturday for Des Moines, Iowa to spend a week with Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Schaeffer. They were accompanied by Sue and Danny Schaeffer, who have been here visiting with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Bulin, for the past three weeks.

Miss Verna Leonard of Plattsmouth and Mrs. J. E. Worley of Lincoln will leave Thursday morning for New York. They plan to visit Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Worley in New York City. They will be gone about three weeks.

Gilbert Storm returned home from the St. Joseph hospital in Omaha Saturday. He had been there for over three weeks, but is feeling fine now.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rictor and son, Lowell, of Weeping Water and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Severn and children of Pocahontas, Ore., visited here Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Dooley.

First Sgt. Charles E. Walden has been granted an honorable discharge and arrived home Saturday evening.

Sgt. Walden served overseas 18 months in France, Germany, Belgium and Holland. He flew home from Marseille, France and arrived at Miami Beach, Fla., July 22.

Mrs. Cecil Carr received a letter from her husband, Pfc. Carr, who is now in the Philippine Islands, stating that he has been made company clerk. Pfc. Carr has been overseas three months.

Mrs. Clarence Favors was in Omaha Monday afternoon at the University hospital to visit with Mrs. Joseph Habel, who has been in the hospital for some time. Mrs. Habel was taking a radium treatment at the time, and Mrs. Favors was unable to visit with her.

Mrs. William Meierdierks was taken to the St. Catherine's hospital in Omaha Wednesday for treatment.

Mary Joan Lohnes, Phoebe White and Joan Cecil returned home Thursday after a week spent at Camp Harriett Harding near Louisville, Me. and Mrs. Harley Cecil met them in Omaha.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Balfour and son of Nehawka were in Plattsmouth Friday on business.

10 Pounds Sugar For Canning Is New OPA Order

Housewives got sweet news Saturday from the Cass county ration board - sweet news to the tune of ten pounds of sugar per person for canning for this year. The new order becomes effective Monday, Ed Tutt, chairman of the board said.

Persons who have been allotted only five pounds of sugar for canning and who need more may make application for an additional five pounds by letter or post card.

Anyone who has been allotted no sugar for canning may apply for ten pounds, the ration office said.

No supplementary allotments will be granted anyone who has received ten pounds or more per person.

Much confusion and disappointment was caused when OPA unexpectedly ordered canning sugar allotments cut to five pounds per persons several weeks ago. Most ration boards were in the process of granting additional five pound allotments to the original five pounds which was available for each person, when the order was rescinded.

At that time many persons had already received their extra five pounds, others had applications in the processing. Still others who had planned to ask for the supplementary five pounds were cut out completely. Those whose applications had been processed were lucky, those who hadn't appeared to be out of luck.

The new order will equalize allotments for everyone regardless of when applications were processed.

Mrs. B. M. Cline had as her guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Cline, Pfc. and Mrs. E. S. Cline of Kansas City, Mo.; Mrs. Floyd Dysart of Osceola, Iowa, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ferguson of Nebraska City; Calvin Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schuldt of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Feunrer of Weldon, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Rice, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Erwin of Plattsmouth.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Long and Janice, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Newton and Richard, and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Newton and Jeanne were guests at a dinner Thursday evening at the home of Cpl. and Mrs. Ernie Newton in Omaha.

Lt. John Luke arrived here Saturday to spend a week visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Howard and with Ed Howard at the Roy Howard farm home. He is to report to the Lincoln Air Base.

S. Sgt. Emmons Meisinger of Otoe has been transferred from Dodge City, Kans. to Del Rio, Texas. Sgt. Meisinger has been in the army over three years.

Mrs. Ray McFarland was taken to the St. Mary's hospital in Nebraska City Tuesday evening and operated on Wednesday. She expects to return home in a couple of weeks.

Mrs. Clifton Meisinger and Lucy Ann returned Sunday evening from Greenwood, where they had been visiting the past few days with Mrs. Meisinger's mother, Mrs. J. L. Griffin.

Fred Rea was in Humboldt Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Carty of New Orleans, La., left Friday after a short visit here with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bailey and Mrs. J. C. Bailey. They went to Kansas City, where they plan to make their home.

Mrs. Richard Syre and sons, Dudley and Richard, Jr., visited the past week with Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Lentz of near Plattsmouth.

GREENWOOD

Urban Kyles returned to his home in Kansas City, Mo., Sunday.

Mrs. Virginia Florence and Janet returned to Red Cloud Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Foster, Mrs. N. Kraupa and son, Victor, and Mrs. Listen Kraupa, all of Omaha, were dinner guests of Mrs. Lula Hurlbut last Saturday.

Mrs. Lyle Anderson and son, Ronnie, of Houston, Texas are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Olson and spent Wednesday with Mrs. Ray Rouse.