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Thursday morning the com-

rest amid the scenes that he had

enjoyed in the happier days of

life. The body had been lying in

state at the Sattler funeral home

until the funeral hour Thursday,

The services were held at the

Holy Rosary church at 16th and

a very large number of the old

friends and neighbors had gath-

ered to pay their last tributes to

the memory of this young man,

Solemn Requiem Mass was of-

fered by Father Edward C. Tu-

chek. Father Henry Ingenhorst,

pastor of St. Joseph's Church in

Paul, Nebraska was deacon.

Father Joseph Hajduk, curate at

St. Mary's Church in Nebraska

City was subdeacon. Father El-

beautiful tribute to the departed

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was destroyed.

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Santa Claus Makes Children Burned Annual Visit to Local Children

Saturday was Santa Claus day in Plattsmouth with the city being given over to the children for the afternoon when jolly old Santa made his triumphal entry with a crowd of some 5,000 to join in the welcome.

The afternoon program moved on scheduled time with Santa meeting his escort at the Hotel Plattsmouth for the grand march to the Cass County court house,

The high school band that can always be depended upon to assist in any public functions, led the line of march from the hotel to the county building, their colorful uniforms adding to the scene and their snappy marching music was followed by Santa and his retainers.

Santa was greeted by the representatives of the civic bodies ren of Mrs. Naomi Weyers of this and the guest of honor picked from the schools of the county to extend the official greetings to childhood's patron of the holiday season.

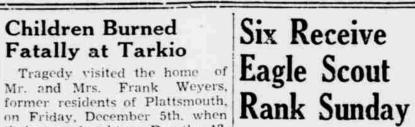
cast down Main street.

his reception in the basement of the building, the children entering by the main entrance at the south side of the building and in this city, is to leave there the they then made their way out first of the year to accept a through the west door.

the children that desired to company. He will be located at municate their wishes for the coming Christmas.

Treats of oranges, candy and that visited the court house and while a student in the Platts-

reption. **Receives 50-Year**



their two daughters. Dorothy 13. A new chapter was written in and Edith Jean, three weeks old, the history of Scouting in Plattswere fatally burned when the mouth Sunday evening at the family home at Tarkio, Missouri First Christian church when six of the members of the local Mrs. Wevers, the mother, was Scout groups were advanced to

The opening of the ceremony

Troop No. 367 was in charge of

to the front of the church

at the home of a near neighbor the rank of Eagle scout. when she was attracted by the This was the largest number screams of a son of the family that have received this rank at who was playing outside the one time from the local group house

and the impressive ceremony When Mrs. Weyers and the was witnessed by an audience neighbors reached the Weyer that filled the church to its cahouse the structure was in flames and it was necessary to break a pacity. window to reach the children. They were very badly burned was at the sound of assembly by and taken to Hamburg, Iowa, Willard Christensen, to be cared for at the hospital where they both died a short the advancement of the colors time later.

The children were grandchild- the opening. city and the family is known joined in the singing of the first here by many who will regret



John E. Urish, veteran emplovee at the Soennichsen store position in the sales department Santa found time to visit with of the Consumers Public Power

O'Neil, Nebraska, as his assignment. Mr. Uurish entered the serv-

were enjoyed very much by the mouth high school and on his groups after the close of the re- graduation in 1938 he was a full presiding. time employe of the men's



Above is the four prize win- of Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Ladd. ning children whose photographs Plattsmouth, second prize; Anna days previous suffering from the were selected by the Lloyd's Stu- May, daughter of Sgt. and Mrs. effects of a severe stroke, dio of Des Moines as the prize Roland H. Hall, third prize; winning photos taken some time Janet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Plattsmouth June 5, 1858 and ago by the company. Selections Raymond Campbell of Plattswere made by the company. mouth, fourth prize. From left to right: Jerry, son The prize winners will have

of this city, first prize; Lyle, son in honor of their selection.

Saturday Busy Day at Stores The audience and the Scouts Over the City

verses of "America", followed by Saturday found the city filled the invocation by Rev. Sherman with visitors from all sections of Plattsmouth city schools were ence Turpin and Mrs. Mary Hanson, the pastor of the church. the county and a very brisk af- heard in concert at the high Harriman of Omnha; two sisters, Orville Nielsen, head of the ternoon in all lines of trade ac- school auditorium on Thursday Mes, Anna Faenberger of Salt Cub Scouts in the city, presented tivity that continued until the and Friday evening being one of Lake City, Utab and Mrs. Mat the members of the Cub units evening when a great many of the finest musical treats that has thew Sulser of Plattsmouth. in the city and gave the list of those at a distance started their been offered this season. the Cub Masters and Den Moth- homeward journey.

The Plattsmouth stores have among one of the best in this ter. Anna, preceded the mother The tenderfoot investiture and fine large stocks in all lines that section of the state, was heard in in death. awards of rank was made by appeal to the Christmas shopper a number of selections as well as The funeral services were held Lester Thimgan, scoutmaster of and not only are the lines most solo offerings by several of the Monday afterneon at 1:30 from Troop 367 and Attorney Richard attractive but the prices at members. At the Friday evening the Sattler funeral home at 4th Peck for Troop No. 366 (Explor- which they are offered are as concert Manfred Moritz was and Vine streets reasonable as can be found in heard in the bass horn solo, nearby towns.

> every effort to care for the needs Wendel Friest and Lee Green services at the chard of their customers and the clerks was heard in a most entertaining have been a hard working force selection. "Three Slippers." in the days of the Christmas Gerald Michaelsen served as shopping rush which is expected the narrator for one of the seweek

Of City Dies Thursday Night Mrs. Mary E. Egenberger, 89, resident of Plattsmouth for the

greater part of her lifetime, died Thursday evening, December 11, at the Methodist hospital in Omaha where she was taken several Mrs. Egenberger was born in

was married in this city to John V. Egenberger, who preceded her in death in 1909. She conof Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walden the prizes of special photographs tinued to make her home in this city until ten years ago when she moved to Omaha to make

> Music Department her home with her doughters and has since been a resident of that Mrs. Egenberger is survived by two sons and three daughters, Fgenberger, Lexing-Give Fine Concert ton, Nebraska: Carl Egenberger, Plattsmouth: Mrs. Ida Baumgart, William Plattsmouth: Mrs. Ida Baumgart The music department of the Valentine, Nebraska; Mrs. Flor-

Three sons. Edward, Alber The high school band that is and Fred Egenberger, one daugh-

Dr. H. G. McClusby, pastor of any of the city stores or in the "Asleep in the Deep," very ar- the First Presbyterian church. tistically given. The trombone an old friend and neichbor of The local stores have made trio, composed of Dick Huebner, the departed, conducted the

Mrs. Ray Herring and Mrs. Otto Pitz gave two numbers. "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "Abide With Me." Mrs. H. G. to continue through the present lections by the band that fur- McClusky was the accompanist nished the musical background, for the songs,

The stores are all attractively The chorus of the school, num- The burial was at the Holy decorated and the shoppers find bering some 75 voices was out- Sepulchre cemetery where the

Supreme Court Pfc. Wm. L. Cloidt **Grants New Trial** Is Laid to Rest in The state supreme court a Lincoln this week awarded **His Native Land** new trial in the damage suit brought in Cass County by Melvin Thomas of Ashland against Ora E. Poulson.

munity paused in its daily ac-The court said that as the evitivities to pay the last respects dence was such that different to one of its sons that had made minds may draw different conthe supreme sacrifice for his clusions in regard to negligence, homeland and nation. it was an error for the trial The body of Pfc. William Lee court to direct a verdict for the Cloidt arrived here Tuesday on defendant. the last lap of the long journey

Thomas was the owner of from the Henri Chappell cemegravel truck involved in a collitery in Belgium, to be laid to sion with a transport owned by Poulson on the morning of June 30, 1945, near Greenwood. Each party claimed the employe of the other was negligent. The supreme court also found that the her home with her daughters and court erred in not permitting questioning of L. E. Stubbs. Pearl streets at 10 o'clock, where driver for Poulson, to show that his testimony contradicted state-

E. H. Wescott **Ends Service as** Scout Chairman

ments he made after the acci-

dent.

mer McFadden was present in Sunday evening at the Eagle the sanctuary. Ramon Koubek Court of Honor, held at the First and Dan Rohan were acolytes; Christian church, E. H. Wescott, advancement chairman, made Bill Holly and Richard Bintner were thurifers. The parish choir the announcement of his resigsang the Mass of Requiem with nation from the position. Dorothy Svoboda at the console, Mr. Wescott has served in the Father Tuchek gave a very

capacity of advancement chairman for a period of thirty years. during this time he has assisted youth.

"We came to give honor. in receiving into Scouting hundreds of boys in this community came to welcome home and to as well as in the district. He has give final tribute to a young man who died on field of battle untiringly worked with the boys in their studies and craft work to preserve for us the liberty that would fit them for advance- which we so deeply cherish ment to higher rank in this or- With this testament of respect ganization of the youth of the we not only honor him, but all his buddles who made the sucountry.

Mr. Wescott's thirty years as preme sacrifce. In him we honadvancement chairmon is only : those who like him are com part of the story of his work in ing home to rest; those who rest scouting, as he has served some in distant lands in cross marked forty years in active leadership fields and those whose final and even longer as a student of resting place is known but to Scouting, as an aid in building God alone." better men for the world. After addressing final mess-His great reward for this serv- ages of farewell in the name of ice has been in seeing the ad- the deceased, the speaker convancement in life of the boys cluded: "Soldier, there is one that he had helped train and request we make of you and all place on the highway to a suc- who like you have paid with their lives to preserve peace, When you speak with your Di-With the retirement of Mr. Wescott as advancement chair- vine Commander in His heavenman this work will be in the (Continued on Page Seven)



ers of the organization



er).

The Eagle ceremony, one of the most impressive and beautiful in Scouting, was carried out first by the Plattsmouth Eagle team. the members giving parts of the

peanuts were given each child ices of Scennichsen's in 1936 Scouting inspirational training, District Scout Executive Wayne Nelson, of Nebraska City Cyril Kocian gave the response

to "The Leader," James Doody, ready to wear department of the "The Home", telling of the instore, continuing this line until fluence of the home life on the the real Christmas spirit pre- standing in the two evening's of- husband is at rest he enlisted in the United States

of the Scouts.

doughnuts were served.

ter: Troop No. 366. Explorers.

ville Nielsen; Commissioner,

Weeping Water.

his way

DRAWS DOWN FINE

Masonic Medal

A. F. Sturm, long time resika lodge of the Masons the past of the Navy. week.

On December 6, 1897 Mr. Sturm was raised a Mason in his ed the service of Soennichsen's home lodge before a small group that at that time comprised the membership, On the fifteenth anniversary of his being accepted into Masonary, December 6, 1947. Mr. Sturm was honored by he has been unusually active in receiving the fifty year medal the community life since his

for his long years of service, presented by Edward Huwaldt, grand master of Nebraska Masons made the presentation at city and also active in the Vetthe banquet arranged by Nehawka lodge No. 246 of the AF & AM.

The principal speaker was Dr. Walter H. Traub, of the Kountze 3 of the Royal Arch Masons. Memorial church of Omaha, who took as his subject, "The Marks of a Mason.'

Mr. Sturm responded with a very clever talk that covered much of his years as a member of the Masonic order.

Five Masonic lodges were represented at the gathering and five grand lodge officers were present, Elmer Magee, Lincoln. deputy grand master, Ernest Schieferbein, Wahoo, grand senior warden, John Hedelund, grand junior warden and Raymond Pollard, grand Tyler,

At the conclusion of the meeting Dr. A. A. Anderson, master Mr. Sturm with a large bouquet of red roses.

ladies of the W.S.C.S. of the Methodist church.

Eli Marler Dies At Beaver City

Eli Marler, 80, of Beaver City, Nebraska died early Sunday at that place.

Mr. Marler, well known in this section of Cass County, was a brother of Mrs. Maggie Mason and an uncle of Mrs. Edward Beins and Arthur Sampson of this city, where he often visited. The funeral services will be held at Beaver City on Tuesday afternoon.

POLICE COURT NOTES

Judge C. L. Graves held short session of the police court Sunday to hear the case of two night haul of the police force. The men were Henry Beck-\$10 and costs for the offence.

of Attorney Florence Fouchek, breakin,

Navy in the World War, John spent thirty-nine months in acdent of Nehawka, was the honor tive service and had a long exeuest at the meeting of Nehaw- perignee in the Pacific operations

On his return home at the close of the war, he again enterwhere he has remained since thet time. Scouts The departure of Mr. Urish

from the city will be regretted by a large circle of friends as return from the service.

He is a past vice-commander of the American Legion in this tive life work. erans of Foreign Wars post. Mr. Urish is a member of Plattsmouth lodge No. 6 of the AF & AM and of Nebraska chapter No.

Hold Bad Check Man at Seward

given by the members of the Adam Hofferber, who passed Scout group and the audience two 'No Account' checks in Plattsmouth, one at the Hinky dismissed in the benediction by Dinky store for \$10 and one at Rev. E. C. Williams of the First Soennichsen's for \$15 on Jan- Methodist church. Taps were uary 4, 1947, was taken into sounded by Willard Christensen custody at Seward according to and Dick Huebner. Following the meeting a rethe sheriff's office. Hofferber is also wanted in Nebraska City, ception was held in the church Tekamah, Falls City, Fremont, parlors for the newly invested

Seward and several Iowa cities Eagle Scouts and their parents on charges of passing worthless with a large number of the of the Nehawka lodge presented placed by the county attorney.

The banquet was served by the Louisville Man **Traps Beaver**

George Ossenkon, of pear his trans. He secured a beaver ter,

that tipped the scales at sixty nounds. This is the sixth beaver that he has secured in the sear- 365. Engene Jingford, scoutmason, the largest of the animals ter; tranned was sixty-four nounds Evers, scoutmaster; Troop No. tractive to the eye. He has a nermit for twelve and 367. Jester Thimgan, scoutmashopes to have them soon.

The sudden raise and fall of Ordell Hennings, Cubbing, Or the Platte river has made it difficult for the trappers but he Raymond J. Larson: Advanceis hopeful of getting his limit.

Ofe Station Broken Into

Ofe Oil Station was broken inmen caught in the Saturday to during the early morning hours of December 15, 1947, En- tra gang on the Burlington, was trance was gained by iimmying strom and E. J. Rainey, both the front door open with appar- L. Graves Friday. charged with intoxication. To ontly a tire tool Five new 600x16 the charge they made a plea of Gates tires and one new 600x16 city police force and charged guilty and very given a fine of Mobile tire was all that could with being intoxicated and to

vailing in all Scout, Rev. Sherman Hanson the life of the Scout, while Superintendent T. I. Friest spoke completed their Christmas shop- Tooth talented soloists on "The School" and its part in ping for their loved ones and Both groups showed the splen-

friends. the training of the Scout as he advanced to the Eagle rank, Robert Gaines had as his subject George Lushinsky "Scouting", taking up the sub-

Suffers Stroke ject of the general work of the George Lushinsky, three times

Raymond Larson, long a Scout mayor of Plattsmouth, in the thirties, is ill at his home on Cpl. Krejci Will leader gave "The Challenge." In this, Mr. Lerson pointed out to Park hill, the result of a slight the newly invested Eagles their stroke that he suffered on Wedresponsibilities to carry on the nesday at the family home

the work of aid and support to The left hand has been affectthe Scouting movement in the ed by the stroke but seems to be future as they take up their acgradually improving and it is hoped that he may in a short 9th. St. He has been granted 15 The presentation of the Scout time be over the effects of the awards was made by Attorney stroke Richard Peck and to each of the

Under the orders of his physi-Scouts was given the miniature pins that the Eagles presented in bed for the next ten days unto their mothers in honor of this til the hand improvves. important occasion in the lives

Mr. Lushinsky celebrated his seventy-ninth birthday on Thurs-The Scout benediction was Burlington in the local shops.

Consumers Hold Christmas Party

Thursday evening the main dining room of the Rainey Coffee Shop was the scene of a very tions network to guide air force check. A hold order for his re- members of the party attending. delightful dinner party for the pilots and their craft over gloturn to this county has been During the evening refresh, members of the Consumers bal airways, ments of hot chocolate and Public Power service in the city.

There were twenty-eight of the employes and guests that Gerda Peterson Marion Stone of Weeping Waenjoyed the pleasures of the ex- III at Home Here ter, county chairman, was pres ent and brought with him five cellent dinner and the pleasant association during the evening. Life Scouts who are to be in-Later the members of the parvested as Eagle Scouts on Fri-Louisville, who has been engaged day, December 19th. Governor ty adjourned to the club rooms in tranning made a very fine Val Peterson will be present at over the business office of the eatch the past week in one of the ceremonies at Weeping Wa- Consumers where the remainder of the evening was spent at cards and visiting. Local Scouting is represented

> The settings of the dinner by the following officers: Troop were in keeping with the Christmas season and proved most at-Troop No. 366. Raymond

Raymond Sands is Home From Hospital

Raymond Sands, of Murray, ment chairman, Ronald R. Furse; has returned home after fifteen Louisville Road has been pur-County Chairman, Marion Stone, days spent at the St. Mary's hos- chased by Mr. and Mrs. Earl pital at Nebraska City, where Hardison of Murray. he was receiving treatment for Both of these transactions

here engaged in work on an ex- corn sheller. As the result of the accident a coller at the court of Judge C. The man was arrested by the hand

be found as missing. Serial num- which charge be entered a plea of the week for North Platte, eral days. He is improving now of the eighty-acre farm belong- goos, a son was designated as the bers of the tires are being cir- of guilty. Judge Graves im- Nebraska, where he is expecting and it is hoped that he may be ing to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald W. administrator. Miss Mary Alice McCaffery of gulated. Four men were taken posed a fine of \$10 and costs for to remain over the Christmas able to resume his activities this Shrader of Murray. The pur-Omaha, was a week end visitor into custody by the sheriff for the offence which amount was holiday with his children, Mrs. week. in Plattsmouth as a house guest investigation concerning the raid and the defendant sent on York Hinman and Robert Wurl and their families.

of the places of fering, solo parts in the chorus gave "The Church", its part in business with many suggestions numbers were taken by Miller and Howard Hirz, Robert Bell, for those that have not as yet Hurst and Carol Lou Bernhardt. Robert Egenberger, Jack Egen-

Of City Schools

did training and direction given them by David Fowler, head of the music department in prepar- Winner of Prize ing the young people for this very important feature of the school year.

Have Visit Home

Cpl. Robert J. Kreici will spend the holidays with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Krejci, at their home at 914 S. days leave from Williams Field. thre, best handled skins among Arizona, where he is stationed with the Airways and Air Comcian, Mr. Lushinsky will remain munications service of the air force

Cpl. Kreici was a member of the class of 1945 of Plattsmouth high school and played on the day, a greater part of these football. track, and baseball years being spent in Plattsmouth | teams. After graduation, he was where for a great many years he employed by the Martin bomber was in the employment of the plant and the Army Ordnance depot.

Entering the air force January eight weeks course for control ning, stretching and drying of tower operators before being as- furs. signed to the A.A.C.S.

His present organization main- Death of Fred toins a world-wide communica-**Beins at Pekin** Word was received here Sunday of the death of Fred Beins.

curred early Sunday. The many friends over Cass Mrs. Beins was formerly Miss County will regret to learn that Minnie McCrosky of this city. Miss Gerda Peterson, retired who with four children survive postal employe, has been quite his passing. One child, Lucille, ill at her home in the Herold preceded the father in death. apartments for the past week. Miss Peterson has not been in Beins and Mrs. Minnie B. Hill of the best of health for some time this city. and has been unable to carry Sunday

on her usual activities. PROPERTIES SOLD Mrs. Mary Messersmith has services that will be held Tuessold her property at 1700 Main day,

Street to Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon L. Holliway. The Rakow acreage on the

a hand injury, suffered when were completed this past week Harm Scott, who has been he had his hand caught in a by Loris B. Long local real estate broker.

> he suffered the loss of a thumb SUFFERS FROM ILLNESS and two fingers of the right Donald J. Warga was confined

E. A. Wurl is leaving the last flu that had him bedfast for sev- tate broker announces the sale . In the Ragoos estate Merle Ra-

The pallbearers were Robert berger and Edward Egenberger,

Local Trapper is

Wilbur W. Means of Plattsmouth, is a winner of a Daily Award for correct pelt handling in the Nineteenth National Fur cessful life. Show conducted by the Raw Fur-Corvice of Sears, Roebuck and

hands of Ronald R. Furse, selectcarefully handled pelt A ed at the last meeting of the brought this trapper one of the Scout organization to carry or \$5.00 Daily Awards, as a result the responsibilities of the office. of its being judged one of the

all pelts received at Sears Raw Plattsmouth Fur Marketing Station in Kansas Placed Class 'B' City, Missouri, This pelt is now eligible to consideration for one The assignments were an-

nounced Sunday of the placings of the major awards, including the \$1,000.00 First Award, to be of the various high school basketsciected at the final judging, ball teams for the purpose of which will be held in April. tournament play.

The Plattsmouth Blue Devils Correct pelt handing, the prime object of the fur show, has prov- were assigned to Class B for the en of vital importance to trappers district tournament, while the due to the fact that millions of Nebraska City Pioneers were dollars was formerly wasted placed in Class A play for the 12, 1946, Cpl. Krejci attended an through careless, incorrect skin- tourney.

The place of holding the districts meets was not announced but will follow the invitations from the various centers that may wish to be hosts to the basketball players.

Mrs. Harry E. White returned on Tuesday of last week from a of Pekin, Illinois, a member of pre-holiday visit at Alliance one of the well known Cass where she visited her sister, Mrs. County families. The death oc-

Blanche Grassman and the Maurice Peterson family. There were 33,500 traffic cas-

ualties during 1946.

He was a brother of Fdward afternoon Edward

Beins and niece, Mrs. A. W. Leonard, of near Mynard left for Pekin. Illinois for the funeral

Stores Open Now For the Evenings

The stores of the city are re maining open evenings from now until Christmas. The opening the plaintiff twenty days to file date starts this evening for the and will give all a chance to

FARM SOLD

Loris B. Long. local real es- Parker, deceased. chasers of this well-improved made the appointment of Mrs. farm are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nellie Parker, widow, as the ad-

Use Journal Want Ads

Keentime Klub Has Fine Meeting

The Keentime club had a very large attendance Friday evening at their weekly party at the VFW club rooms. It is estimated that there were 150 of the young people in attendance to spend the time most pleasantly.

The evening was spent in dancing and for those not caring for this relaxation the ping pong tables proved most attractive.

The chaperones were Mr. and Mrs. John Hadraba, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cappell.

The committee wishes that all parents who send the children to the parties please come up stairs to get the children at the time specified. Once a child leaves the hall they will not be readmitted the same evening. This makes it necessary for the child to remain out in the cold until the parents arrive.

Child Welfare Aid Aim of 40-8

The members of In Societe Des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevauv at their meeting Thursday night voted to join in the general program of child welfare that is now being sponsored in the state of Nebraska by the American Legion.

The head of the Legion com-

he headed by County Superin

act in getting the program under

The members after the close

very pleasant and much enjoy-

ed chow mein supper that had

been arranged for the group.

Returns From

Omaha Hospital

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mittee in the state is Judge

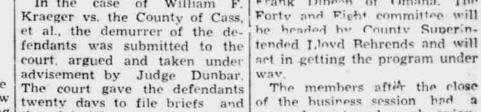
In the case of William F et al., the demurrer of the de-

answering briefs. In the county court Friday Judge Paul E. Fauquet held complete their Christmas buying. hearings on the application for the probate of the estates of Henry H. Ragoos and that of Eli

Mrs. Earl Harris, who has been at the St. Catherine's hospital at Omaha for some weeks, has so far recovered that she was able to be brought home Thursday.

Mrs. Harris is feeling improved, she will have to spend some time on the inactive list at home,

At The Cass County **Court House** Frank Dineon of Omaha, The



In the Parker estate the court

ministratrix of the estate.

benefit of the shopping public

H. Dysart, also of Murray.

to his home the last of the week

by a very severe attack of the



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