

Courthouse Clock Fund Will Close On Saturday

The campaign for funds to recondition the Cass County courthouse clock will come to an end on Saturday, January 15, when it is anticipated sufficient money will be in the fund to complete the project.

During the past week contributions by the dozens have been handed and mailed to the fund by local residents and numerous donations have been arriving from friends of the clock over wide sections of the county.

Letters accompanying the contributions speak strongly of the affection they have for the old land mark and are only too happy to do their share in getting "Big Ben" back on regular schedule. Marie and Karl Roessler, Chicago, white, "We hope to hear the good old bell ring out the hours next time we come to Plattsmouth."

Mrs. Mary Wasley sends this note, "Thirty-five years ago I stepped from the C. B. & Q. train and stood for many moments looking up Main street. Then I saw the town clock which suddenly chimed out its welcome to my new home. I miss its tolling and the opportunity to glance up to see the time when I am down town."

Lila Earhart, Omaha, writes, "I have been reading about the swell job the folks are doing to get the 'Old Clock' back in condition. I am sending two dollars in memory of my grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Rishel." Ted Stoehr and Wesley Gradoville come through from Odessa, Texas, with another contribution from Rose Belohlavy Hranec of Silver Spring, Maryland.

You, too, can do your bit in assuring many more years of service for the old town clock by giving your contribution to the fund now. Only a few more days remain to be assured of a place on the list of those donating to the fund. Your donation can be left at The Journal, the Plattsmouth State Bank, or at Rosie's Barber Shop.

A complete list of all donors to the fund will be carried in the January 20th issue of The Journal.

Contributions since last issue include: Missinger Sisters, \$1.00 Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Brink, 2.00 (Continued on Page Six)

Rev. Sherman Hanson to Go to Iowa Church

Sherman R. Hanson, pastor of the Christian church, here since May, 1947, announced to that congregation Sunday, January 9, his decision to accept a call to the Davis Street Christian church in Ottumwa, Iowa.

Saying that it is with deep regret that he leaves his present charge, Mr. Hanson explained that the Ottumwa call involves a promotion and an opportunity which he felt he owed it to his family to accept. His new charge will make him responsible for the pastoral oversight of a congregation of over 800 members, and at the same time give him an opportunity to pursue graduate seminars at the College of the Bible of Drake University in the city of Des Moines.

Mr. Hanson plans to close his Plattsmouth work and move to his new charge around February 1st. The official board of the local church has already constituted a committee authorized to recommend a successor to the congregation.

Funeral Services for Mrs. E. W. Burdic

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Crosby-Kunold chapel at Omaha for Mrs. Cora Burdic, 84, widow of E. W. Burdic, Herman banker and stockman.

Mrs. Burdic was the grandmother of Eugene Burdic, Malvern, Iowa, banker and former resident of Plattsmouth for a number of years, who with his family were in attendance at the services.

Mrs. Burdic is survived by three sons, Lloyd B. and Neil R. of Omaha and Earl C. Burdic of Norfolk and a daughter, Mrs. R. B. Daugherty, of Omaha, at whose home she had passed away.

Attorney Paul E. Fauouet was at Weeping Water the latter part of the week where he was looking after the preparation of income tax returns for a number of the residents of that city.

Murray Schools Help in Campaign

The young people of the high school at Murray have aided in the campaign for funds for the clock in the Cass county courthouse. They took up a collection among the students that resulted in the sum of \$2 being secured that was turned over into the funds that are being raised to help replace the mechanism of the clock with new and modern equipment.

King Korn Klub Meeting to Be Held Tuesday

The annual meeting of the King Korn Klub will be held at 8 o'clock on Tuesday evening at the main dining room of the Hotel Plattsmouth to lay the plans for the coming year's activities that will be highlighted by the King Korn Carnival in the fall.

It is desired that as many as possible of the club members and those who are interested, be present at the meeting and assist in the important business that will come before the body.

The annual election of officers will be held and this is something in which everyone should be interested, as the officers will guide the future of the club, and carry on the Carnival in the fall. It is important that the officers selected should be willing to make some sacrifice in the work for the good of the community.

The reports of the 1948 Carnival will be given as a part of the evening and this is a matter of great interest as it shows just how the business of the organization has been conducted and gives an insight as to how the committees have functioned.

The meeting is open to suggestion as to the forthcoming carnival with new ideas and thoughts for the betterment of the fall program gladly received.

Refreshments will be served.

Raymond Haith Has Severe Accident

Raymond Haith suffered a very painful injury Thursday afternoon while at work at one of the homes in the Talcott addition in the south part of the city. He was engaged in clearing up some debris and was unloading a tub of scrap when it suddenly started to tip and Mr. Haith sought to get out of the way, jumping into what he thought was a snow bank, only to find when alighting that it was hard frozen dirt covered by only a slight snow. As the result of the jump he suffered the fracture of one of the bones of the left foot. The injured foot was dressed at the office of Dr. C. O. Hudson. The patient will however be forced to get around on crutches for the next few weeks.

George Stites Home from Chicago Meet

George Stites, manager of the elevator at Union, as well as the local representative of the International Harvester Co., returned Friday from Chicago where he has been for several days attending a conference of the grain dealers of the middle west.

This was a very large meeting and brought together a number of the representatives of the grain interests in this part of the nation. Mr. Stites is one of the veteran grain men of this part of the state as he has been in charge of the operating of the Union elevator over a great many years.



STRAIGHT SHOOTIN' . . . If you're artistically inclined, try picture-shooting sometime. Marksman Ernie Lind and his attractive wife, Dot, say it's easy. Both are professional exhibition shooters. Ernie's bullet drawing took two and a half minutes and 153 bullets.



LAST RITES . . . Buddhist Priest Shinsho Hanayama gave details at press conference of the last moments of former Japanese Premier Hideki Tojo and six other war leaders who were hanged in Sugamo prison for their war crimes.

Legion Post to Back Oratorical Contest in School

The regular January meeting of the Hugh J. Kearns post of the American Legion was held on Thursday evening at the club house "on the curve" south of this city. There was a great deal of business to come up for the consideration of the membership and among these was the matter of the oratorical contest on Americanism, sponsored each year by the Legion in the public schools. The local post will give a prize of a war bond and also a medal for the second place winner.

Russell Nielsen of the club committee announced that a Valentine party will be held at the club house in February. This will also mark the first anniversary of the club house.

The attention of the members was called to the fact that the American Legion college would be held at Hastings on March 12-15, to which any member of the Legion interested, is invited to attend.

A committee composed of M. F. Keiderling, Gene Lingford and Don Rainey was appointed to look into the matter of a national guard company in this city as well as that of a swimming pool for the community.

Soldiers Babe Winner of 1949 Baby Derby

The winner of the 1949 Baby Derby from returns made to the Journal is Jeanette Gertrude Rivard, daughter of Staff Sergeant and Mrs. Louis Rivard. The little one weighed six pounds at the time of birth and was born at 2:10 a. m. on Monday, January 3rd. She was born at 3902d Airbase Hospital at Offutt Field.

The little one will be entitled to the prizes offered by the several business houses of the city to be awarded to the first baby and these will make a very fine gift to the little Miss.

Sgt. and Mrs. Rivard reside at the apartments at the Charles Valley home at 705 Avenue D, Plattsmouth.

George Schaefer of near Weeping Water was here Saturday to look after some business matters and visiting with friends.

Memorial Room Is Dedicated Here Sunday

On Sunday morning the 9th, in the presence of a fine congregation, the Memorial Room and its furnishings were dedicated in the First Methodist church. Both the Junior Choir and the Senior choir furnished special music for the occasion. After an appropriate sermon by the pastor, the Rev. E. C. Williams, Howard Davis, President of the Board of Trustees, spoke of how the room happened to be built and its purpose as a Youth Memorial Room. Walter Sikora, Commander of Foreign Wars gave the tribute for Bill Evers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Evers, Leonard Brothers, Commander of the American Legion told of Jim Mauzy, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Mauzey. Hilt Wescott spoke of the life of Alton (Bob) Roland, son of Mrs. Earl Redd. All three of these boys were members of the church and active in its work.

The second part of the service was held in the Memorial Room. Here Mrs. Robert Humiston, President of the Women's Society of Christian Service presented the gift of furnishings from that Society. Mr. Wm. Evers presented the pictures and the fireplace from the Mauzy and Evers family, and Mr. Howard Davis presented the room. This room and its furnishings were then dedicated by the pastor.

Would Discontinue Train Service

The Missouri Pacific railroad has filed a request with the state railway commission at Lincoln for permission to discontinue two passenger trains operating between Lincoln and Union on the Weeping Water branch.

In the application filed the railroad asks that they be permitted to eliminate trains 603 and 609 because of increased operating expense and decreased earnings.

Discontinuance of the trains would eliminate morning service on the line. The evening train to and from Union to Lincoln would not be affected by the request.

Hearing on the matter has been set for Wednesday, February 9th.

Stewart Gochenour Suffers Bad Burns

Stewart Gochenour, who is employed by the Plattsmouth Sheet Metal Works, was quite severely burned Monday morning while doing some work at one of the new homes in Hillcrest. The accident occurred at 11 o'clock as the young man was engaged in working with a small furnace when it suddenly exploded and as the result he was badly burned. He suffered burns on the right arm, right side of the face and may have suffered injury to one eye. The young man was given treatment and is home to await the results of the treatment.

Distribution of Gas Tax to Counties

The announcement has been made of the distribution of the December gas tax funds among the counties of the state, showing a very high collection in the state, \$1,436,429 being turned into the state treasury for its distribution to the various counties.

Cass county will receive in the regular distribution \$5,122 and for the rural free delivery fund \$3,415.

Otoe county receives \$5,673 regular and \$3,782 for the rural route mail routes.

In Sary county the regular fund receives \$4,378 and the rural route fund \$2,919.

Rueben Meisinger Receives Keys Back

Rueben Meisinger, who a few nights ago had the keys stolen from his car, parked near the locker plant, was surprised Friday to receive the keys back from whoever had taken them.

The keys were returned by mail and the sender remains unknown, but the owner is very much pleased to receive them back. They were enclosed in a box that had the message, "Wrong Number Bud" written on a paper.

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Smith were very pleasantly surprised New Year's night when they received a telephone call from their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Horn, from Laurel, Maryland, at Patuxent Refuge.

Blue Devils Win at Glenwood Score 32 to 27

The Plattsmouth high school Blue Devils were the winners in the Friday night basketball game at Glenwood by the score of 32 to 27 in a very close contest, one in which the Rams in their last half attack, over come the margin that the Blue Devils had acquired in the first half, and but for the excellent work of the locals at the free throw line the victory might have been to the Iowans who had the margin of one in the total of field goals.

The first quarter closed with the Blue Devils out in front 7 to 6 with Hild scoring the only field goal, while Dasher, McCormick with their free tosses kept the locals in the lead.

In the second quarter field goals were secured by Rohan, Janacek and McCormick, while Ofe had two of the buckets to his credit, also adding a free-throw. Cole, Geshke and Dasher were also showing their shooting eye from the foul line. For Glenwood Ashbaugh and Thomas each hit from the floor to bring the total score at half time to 21 to 10 for Plattsmouth.

In the third quarter of the game the Glenwood quintet showed more fire and improvement on their free tosses. For the Blue Devils, Janacek, Ofe and McCormick hit from the floor to bring up the Plattsmouth total to 27 at the close of the period while Ashbaugh and Hoffman for Glenwood each annexed a field goal, while Hoffman, Ashbaugh and Flint with free throws brought Glenwood to 19.

In the fourth and final period the Rams held Plattsmouth to a field goal by Rohan and a free throw by Janacek. Flint and Edwards with one and Collier with two field goals, kept the Glenwood team in the running, with final score 32 to 27.

The curtain raiser of the game saw Plattsmouth win from the Glenwood reserves by the score of 24 to 12, with Aylor, Geshke each having six points to top the scoring.

The box score of the game was as follows:

	fg	ft	pf	tp
Rohan, f	2	0	0	4
Hild, f	1	1	2	3
Dasher, f	0	5	4	5
Geshke, f	0	1	0	1
Janacek, c	2	1	1	5
White, c	0	0	1	0
Koubek, c	0	0	0	0
Ofe, g	3	1	2	7
Cole, g	0	1	0	1
Moody, g	0	0	0	0
D McCormick, g	2	2	1	6
Aylor, g	0	0	0	0
V. Kalasek, g	0	0	0	0
Carper, g	0	0	0	0
Total	10	12	12	22
Glenwood	11	6	12	27

	fg	ft	pf	tp
Flint, f	1	3	3	5
Collier, f	2	0	2	4
Hammer, f	0	0	0	0
Davis, f	0	0	0	0
Hoffman, c	2	2	3	6
Martindale, c	0	0	0	0
Thomas, g	1	1	2	3
Sell, g	0	0	0	0
Ashbaugh, g	3	1	2	7
Lincoln, g	0	0	0	0
Edwards, g	1	0	0	2
Totals	11	6	12	27

Taken to Offutt Field Hospital

Mrs. Lloyd Nyhus was taken to the base hospital at Offutt Field Thursday at the result of a sudden attack of appendicitis that made necessary her removal at once for an emergency operation.

Mrs. Nyhus, who resides at the Naevé apartments, was taken to the base by the Caldwell ambulance and was operated on at once at the hospital. The latest reports are that the patient is doing as well as possible and it is hoped will soon be able to return home.

Omahans Married by Judge J. A. Capwell

County Judge J. A. Capwell was called on Saturday to perform the marriage service for Robert H. Frisch and Margaret C. Dougherty, both of Omaha. This was the first time since taking over the office that Judge Capwell was called upon to serve in the capacity. The wedding was witnessed by Miss Thelma Kruger, clerk in the office and Mrs. Marie Behrends.

Edwin A. Fricke, Ashland banker and A. C. Fancoat of Omaha, attorney in the Carrie F. Kleiser estate were visitors here Friday in the county court to look after business.



"FROM ACUTE INTEREST TO BOREDOM" . . . Cecil Beaton, British court photographer, who took this picture of Princess Elizabeth and Prince Charles, was impressed with the baby's range of expression. "The range of expression extends from acute interest through boredom, and from wistfulness to defiance." Pretty good for a youngster.



BIG SPLASH . . . Creating quite a splash in the Miami Beach surf is Herman (Tiny) Hickman, head football coach at Yale where his contract has just been renewed for another five years.

Pawnee City to Be Here Tuesday Evening 7:30

The Plattsmouth basketball fans will have the opportunity on Tuesday evening, January 11th, of seeing the Pawnee City quintet here for what should be a real game between two good teams.

This game has been secured by Coach Stewart to fill the vacancy in the local schedule occasioned by the dropping of the date by David City.

This game will start at 7:30, owing to the long distance for Pawnee City to travel. The visiting team is fourth in class B basketball and so far is undefeated in their play, one of their victims being Falls City in the southeastern conference.

This is the first time in a number of years outside of state tourney contests that Plattsmouth and Pawnee City have met and a very large crowd is expected for the game.

Receives Cracked Ribs in Fall

Morris Stander, one of the well known farmers of northwest of the city, suffered a painful accident on Wednesday while he was at work at the farm of a neighbor, Mr. Stander was assisting in the shelling of corn and slipped on the ice with the result that he sustained a severe fall. He was unable to get up without assistance and it was found on examination that he had sustained two cracked ribs. He will be on the retired list for a few days at least as the result of the accident.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Blackledge visited relatives in Glenwood, Sunday.

Court House Briefs

Friday Fred H. Ludwig, a resident of the south part of the county, was here to answer to a charge of intoxication in the county court. He made a plea of guilty to the charge and after hearing the evidence Judge J. A. Capwell suspended the fine and placed the defendant under parole to Sheriff Tom Solomon for a period of one year.

One of the busy places in the court house since the first of the year has been the office of County Treasurer Ruth Patton, where in addition to the usual running of business there has been the handling of the new motor vehicle plates. The attractive numerals against the silver background makes the plates the most attractive in the past few years.

In the county court Saturday a petition was filed by Mable E. Murray, asking for the administration of the estate of Albert Murray, deceased. The petition asked for the naming of Mrs. Murray as the administratrix.

Marriage license was issued in the county court by Judge J. A. Capwell to LeRoy B. Toppliff, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Toppliff and Miss Charlene Hostetter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dee Hostetter of Murray.

Attorney Richard O. Johnson, of Lincoln, was in the city Saturday to look after some matters of business at the court house.

R. R. Furse Is Named Head of Civic Body

The annual meeting of the Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce was held Thursday evening at the main dining room of the Hotel Plattsmouth with a very pleasing number of the active members present to participate in the proceedings of the evening.

The members held the election of officers and the following were selected to guide the destinies of the civic organization for the succeeding year:

President—R. R. Furse, publisher of the Plattsmouth Journal.

Vice-President—Clifford Girardot, of the Plattsmouth Motors, local Ford dealer.

Treasurer—Orville Nielsen, assistant cashier of the Plattsmouth State Bank.

The position of secretary is filed by appointment by the executive committee at a later date. Attorney Richard Peck is the present secretary of the organization.

President Harold Alkire gave a short talk as his farewell on leaving the office of president, thanking those who had served with him in the past year. Mr. Alkire urged a greater interest in the Chamber of Commerce work by the business and professional men of the community, illustrating this by the facts he had found on a recent visit to Fairbury. In that city he found a great enthusiasm for the Chamber and its work, receiving on every hand the statement, "We have the liveliest Chamber of Commerce in the state."

The interest and support of the people of the community was needed in making the Chamber of Commerce and its various projects a success.

H. A. Schneider gave a few words of approval of the remarks of Mr. Alkire and the need for closer co-operation. This was shown, Mr. Schneider stated, in the success of recent building projects that had been made possible by community co-operation.

Mr. Furse, president-elect, on taking over the office, expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred by the Chamber, a realization of the many things that must be looked after in the year to come. He praised the fine work of Mr. Alkire among the things that would demand (Continued on Page Six)

Postoffice Shows Increase for Past Year

The Plattsmouth postoffice has shown a very pleasing increase in receipts for the year 1948 over that of 1947. Postmaster Edward Egenberger reports, as in 1947 the receipts of the office were \$25,696.40, while for the past year the receipts were \$28,930.00, an increase for the year of \$3,233.60.

The money orders issued for the past year amounted to \$157,956.79 while the postal notes that were issued was \$49,865.57 or a total of \$207,822.36.

In the postal savings department there was a decrease shown in the figures for the past two years. In 1947 there was due the depositors on December 31, 1947 the sum of \$505,108.00, while on December 31, 1948 this amount was \$469,540.00, or a decrease in the amount handled of \$35,568.00.

The salaries paid as indicated by the postmaster for the calendar year of 1948 was \$39,878.54. This amount does not include the salaries paid to the rural mail carriers.

Invited to Join in Golden Gloves

The Plattsmouth post of the American Legion has received an invitation from Lincoln post of the organization to join in the golden gloves contest that will be staged at Lincoln the latter part of January.

The golden gloves will be an elimination contest and those participating must be sixteen years of age or over. The entries will close on January 20 and any local youth that may be interested is urged to contact Leonard Brothers, commander or Don Wurga, adjutant.

League Meeting

The Plattsmouth chapter of the Izaak Walton League will meet at the Forty and Eight club rooms on Tuesday evening, January 11th at 8 o'clock. All members are urged to attend the meeting.

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