

Sheriff Solomon Catches Robber at Murray Sunday

Sheriff Tom Solomon was out patrolling over this section of the county Sunday night, and in the course of his travels arrived at Murray, just at the right moment to step into a break-in being pulled off at the Radtke restaurant.

The night was getting foggy and as the sheriff came into town he noticed a car parked near the restaurant. Getting out he approached the car that started to move away, he rapped on the window, and the driver, a woman, brought the car to a stop. The sheriff opened the door and noticing blankets in the back seat turned them back to reveal a large amount of goods as well as two small children, two and five years, hidden in the seat. The sheriff was told by the woman in the car that her husband, an ex-convict, was in the restaurant building and was armed.

Sheriff Solomon sounded the siren on his car and this was responded to by William Seybold, who remained on guard at the car while the town siren was sounded. Soon a posse of men assembled to start search for the man in the case. A few moments later the man appeared on the scene from the direction of the railroad tracks and gave himself up.

Later a revolver and some cartridges were found near the tracks where they had been concealed by the robber.

The man had brought a quantity of cigarettes, gum, cigars and small articles and placed them in the car and had returned for another load, when the sheriff appeared on the scene. In the loot there was also a small radio that had been stolen a short time before from the Sam Smith garage at Weeping Water, that the man had broken into before coming to Murray.

The man gave his name as Tony Gonzalouis of 5463 South 23th avenue, Omaha, and his wife as Virgie. The man and his wife were held in jail while the two small children were placed in the care of the welfare office to be cared for until the disposition of the case is made.

The timely arrival of Sheriff Solomon Sunday night out of the deep fog nipped in the bud another of the robberies that have been pulled off over the county.

Judge Dunbar Directs Verdict In Damage Suit

Friday afternoon in the district court Judge Thomas E. Dunbar gave a directed verdict in the case of Verna Fillmore, executrix of the estate of Pearly D. Fillmore, against Marion and Donald Taylor. The suit was for \$10,000 alleged to be due to being struck by a car owned by the defendant, Marion Taylor, and operated at the time of the accident by Donald Taylor.

The jury was impaneled and the testimony of the plaintiff was heard by the court and at the conclusion of the motion of the defendant attorney Francis M. Casey, the court ordered the jury to return a verdict in favor of the defendants, Marion and Donald Taylor.

The accident which caused the death of Mr. Fillmore occurred on South 6th street in Plattsmouth on May 8, 1948, when on or about 11 p. m. the deceased was crossing Sixth street in the middle of the block, and was struck by the Taylor car and died as the result of the injuries. The defendant was not crossing at the intersection and at the time of the accident the car of the defendant was being driven at a lawful rate of speed.

Following the settlement of this case Judge Dunbar excused the members of the jury for the term, expressing his appreciation of their services.

Louisville Legion to Back Scouts

The members of the Henry Newman post of the American Legion are to take over the sponsorship of the Boy Scouts in Louisville, it was decided on at a meeting held in that city on Thursday night.

Judge Paul E. Fauquet, district chairman of the Boy Scouts, was in Louisville to meet the members of the post in regard to building up a live and active troop of the organization to carry on the fine principles of the youth movement.

The post will sponsor the oldest Scouts, but will not maintain a Cub organization at this time.

D. W. Webb is the chairman of the Legion Scout committee, and members of the executive committee, Henry Davis and Bob Larsen, have been named, and other of the Legion members will be named to complete the full committee.

It is hoped to have the Louisville Scouts among the best in the county when the Legion gets their plans under full operation.

To Fly Here For Christmas

Among the holiday visitors in Plattsmouth this year will be Mr. and Mrs. Joe Goss, of Los Angeles, who are flying from their home to Omaha to be here with relatives. Mrs. Goss is the former Janet Westover, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. P. Westover, who are now living at Boise, Idaho. While here Mr. and Mrs. Goss will be guests at the home of Mrs. H. L. Gamer and Miss Jessie Robertson, aunts of Mrs. Goss.

Consumers Power Cut-Over Completed in Record Time

The Consumers News Letter of this week has a very interesting and praiseworthy letter on the work of converting the Plattsmouth system to 4,000 Wye that was recently completed.

"Conversion of the Plattsmouth distribution system to 4,000 Wye operation as a means of obtaining better voltage regulation and increased capacity through better load balancing, marks the first system outside of Lincoln to be changed over to this type of operation.

"The mechanics of the change-over were remarkably handled by Fred Rea, district manager, and Ernest Elliott, district superintendent, in co-operation with R. J. Wolfe, distribution superintendent, who planned and mapped out all details of that switch so that only about a 45 minute interruption of service occurred.

Details were broken down

Stites Plant Holds Open House to Public

Saturday was Family Appreciation Day at the Stites Implement plant on South Chicago avenue, the company holding open house from 11 a. m. to 8:30 in the evening, and feel delighted with the large number of the greetings extended them.

The Appreciation Day was in charge of Kenneth Weaver, manager of the local establishment, and all who called were pleased with the opportunity of getting acquainted with the members of the staff.

All had the opportunity of looking over the line of equipment handled at the place.

The prize offered by the company was awarded to Billy Becker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Becker of this city.

It is estimated that there were between 350 and 400 persons visiting there during the day.

During the calling hours the members of the group were treated to refreshments of ice cream, coffee and doughnuts that added to the enjoyment of all.

Many Sign Up For Unemployment

Friday morning the basement of the court house resembled the scenes back in the early thirties with a group of over 100 persons there to sign up for unemployment checks. The representative of the state was kept busy into the afternoon in looking after the signing up of the applicants.

The seasonal shutdown at the Norfolk Packing Co. plant with the holiday vacation at the Graymox plant has placed a large number of women workers out of employment for a time. Curtailing of the force on the Missouri river work has also added to the unemployment in this section of the county.

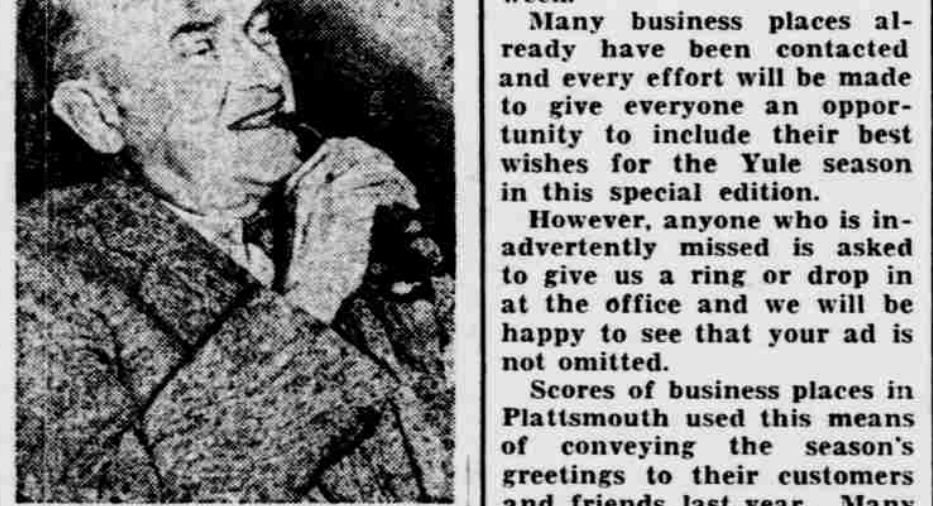
Christmas Edition Issued Thursday

The annual Christmas edition of the Journal, in which Plattsmouth business houses customarily extend greetings of the holiday season to their customers, will be issued this week.

Many business places already have been contacted and every effort will be made to give everyone an opportunity to include their best wishes for the Yule season in this special edition.

However, anyone who is inadvertently missed is asked to give us a ring or drop in at the office and we will be happy to see that your ad is not omitted.

Scores of business places in Plattsmouth used this means of conveying the season's greetings to their customers and friends last year. Many more have already taken space for Thursday's edition which will be one of the largest ever published in the city.



ANSWERS CRITICS . . . Defense Secretary Louis Johnson says "national defense shall not be run in interests of either professional seamen, airmen or soldier."

Blue Devils in Victory Over Glenwood Rams

The Plattsmouth Blue Devils opened their home season on the basketball court Friday night at the hilltop with a smashing 43 to 27 victory over the Glenwood Rams.

The visitors were unable to successfully solve the Plattsmouth defense, while the locals, led by their veteran members of the squad massed an early lead that was never topped.

Throughout the game Coach Merle Stewart used his young recruits freely and thirteen of the local squad saw service against the Rams ere, the last whistle closed the battle. Bill McCormick, who last year was one of the chief scorers for the locals, paced the Plattsmouth offense with six field goals for twelve points. Dan Rohan with three field tosses and a stiff shot added seven more to the Plattsmouth total.

Janecek and Cole, veterans, made two field goals and two free tosses for five points apiece. Ofe, guard, rang up two field goals, while Hodge, one of the newer members of the squad, scored one from the floor. Ashbaugh, guard, added five points to the total of the Blue and White tide.

The score at the halftime was 21 to 7 in favor of the Blue Devils. Edwards, guard of Glenwood, was the chief point gainer as he had four field goals to top the scoring, with eight points. McDole, Raynor, Thomas, Collier and Davis, each secured field goals from the court. Schoening, was the second high scorer of the Rams with four points.

Dasher, forward of the Blue Devils, was unable to play as he sustained a head injury in practice that has kept him on the retired list for several days.

Both teams did very well in their tries from the free throw.

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Cass County People at Poultry Show

Dressed chicken and good eggs featured the Nebraska Poultry Improvement Association banquet in the Rome Hotel at Omaha, Wednesday night, December 16.

In the first classification were 11 fowl garbed in everything from cowgirl outfits to royal robes. And in the second was Nebraska Gov. Val Peterson, pronounced one of the best of "good eggs" by the Poultry and Egg National Board.

Winner in the fashion fowl contest sponsored by the national board was a Japanese Silkite attired by Mrs. Helen Gayer, former Plattsmouth resident, now living in Omaha at 6805 Minnesota Boulevard.

The chicken's green-and-white plaid outfit, including plumed hat and red parasol, was made by Mrs. Gayer of feed bags. By winning the contest the Silkite will go to Indianapolis in January to compete in the north central region contest. Winners will vie in the national meet in Kansas City in February.

Second place in the fowl contest went to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Norris of Weeping Water, Neb. They exhibited a turkey in royal purple cape with crown and scepter. Mrs. C. F. Bean, of Inavale, Neb., took third place, and Mrs. Hazel Howarth of 6424 North Sixteenth Street, Omaha, was fourth. Her White Leghorn was dressed as Little Miss Muffet. Sam Helzer of Grand Island, exhibited Mrs. Bean's bird.

Roscoe Hill of Lincoln, a vice-president of the national board, presented the Good Egg Club membership card to Governor Peterson.

The banquet was part of the Nebraska association's convention. It was held in conjunction with the Ak-Sar-Ben Poultry Congress in the City Auditorium.

College View Here On December 21st

The basketball fans of the city will have another opportunity of enjoying this sport before the Christmas season as the College View team will come here from Lincoln on Wednesday evening to battle the Blue Devils on the local court.

The Blue Devils fresh from their 43 to 27 victory over the Glenwood Rams, will face a difficult foe in the Viewmen, who have opened their season quite successfully and will make the going more difficult for the local crew.

Plattsmouth has also had a good start in the season with a great battle against South College View the past week was noted out by Friend in the game of their court by the margin of 37 to 35 after two overtime periods were required to settle the result of the battle. Jim Stewart of College View was the outstanding player for his team as he scored almost half of the scores of the Viewmen.

Road Workers to Winter Quarter In This City

The Olson Construction company that has had charge of the grading for the Louisville road for the past few months, is to make their winter quarters in this city. The near approach of the winter weather had caused the abandonment of the work until spring, until that time the equipment will be stored here to await the coming of the spring season to permit the resumption of the work on the grading and culverts.

The company will have their bulldozers, drag line, scrapers, graders and other equipment left here and should the opportunity occur that they may aid the residents of this locality in any of their lines they will be in a position to look after them.

LEAES FOR SOUTH

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Konfrst and daughters, Patty Ann and Nancy Sue, accompanied by Mr. Frank Konfrst, left today for Key West, Florida, to spend the winter, expecting to return home in the spring. Mr. Frank Konfrst will reside with his daughter, Mrs. Agnes McDiamond.

Omaha Youths Injured When Car Hits Bridge

Sheriff Tom Solomon was called Friday night at 10 o'clock to the vicinity of Murray where an auto accident had resulted in the injury of five students, en route home from Nebraska City to their homes, following a basketball game.

The members of the auto party were from the Benson high school and riding in a car driven by Miller M. Whitman, 4967 Miami street, Omaha, and as the car was coming down a steep hill on highway No. 75, south of the Murray corner, when suddenly a fuse in the car burned out and the lights of the car were extinguished, the car rolled on a short distance, striking a small bridge, was overturned, and rolling some distance blocked the highway for a short time.

The car was very badly damaged in the wreck and it was fortunate the occupants escaped as easily as they did. A door was shattered in the wrecked car and it was otherwise torn up as it rolled over on the highway.

The most seriously injured of the party was John Dallam, 17, of 2004 North 52nd street, Omaha, who suffered deep neck wounds as well as abrasions on the head and neck, losing a great deal of blood as the result of the injuries. He was given first aid at the scene of the accident and taken on into Omaha by the Sattler ambulance to the Methodist hospital.

The four boys treated for cuts and bruises were Lloyd Kaul, 2308 North 53rd street; Bob Diers, 2411 North 56th street; Bob Driscoll, 4830 Bedford avenue; Jim Johnson, 5204 Izard street.

While the wrecked car was blocked the road, several chartered buses that had taken the basketball squad and rosters to Nebraska City came up and were delayed sometime by the wrecked car.

Henry R. Herold Honored by His Company

Henry R. Herold, sales representative for Richard Hudnut in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, for the last 27 years, has been elected a vice-president of William R. Warner & Company, Inc., and Hudnut Sales Company, it is announced by Elmer Bobst, president of the parent firm.

Effective February, 1950, Mr. Herold will be in charge of the Pacific Division of Warner-Hudnut, handling the distribution of Richard Hudnut, DuBarry, Chen Yu, Courtley, Standard Laboratories and other products of the William R. Warner affiliated companies. His headquarters will be in Los Angeles.

Mr. Bobst paid a tribute to Mr. Herold on the occasion of his election as a vice-president, saying, "He has done one of the company's outstanding jobs, building his territory, from a sales viewpoint, into one of the most productive in the country. Mr. Herold has combined a keen sense of salesmanship and a thorough understanding of all branches of drug and cosmetic distribution. Now, with the constantly increasing market in California, we feel that Mr. Herold's appointment will place proper emphasis upon its greater potentialities."

Mr. Herold came to Oklahoma City from Omaha, Nebraska, 27 years ago for Hudnut. He is a member of the Oklahoma City Golf & Country Club; Beacon Club; Men's Dinner Club, and a member of St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church.

He has two children, Henry Robert II, attending Oklahoma City University, and Judith, attending National Cathedral School, Washington, D. C.

Mr. Herold is a son of Mrs. Henry Herold of this city and the late Mr. Herold and a nephew of Miss Barbara Gering of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Robert Herold have purchased a home at San Marino, near Los Angeles, California, and expect to remove to the west on completion of the new plant in Los Angeles after April 1st.

Death of Otho Marrs Sunday

The many friends over the city were shocked Sunday with the news of the death of Otho Marrs, 52 which occurred Sunday at 9 o'clock at the residence in the southwest part of the city, where he had been making his home for some time.

Mr. Marrs, who was known to the many friends as "Dutch," has been a sufferer from a severe heart ailment for the past several years, and has several times been a patient at the U. S. Veterans hospital. His passing while sudden was not unexpected by those who had known of his condition.

He has been a resident here for the past fifteen years, coming here from Missouri and was engaged as a drag line operator during the building of the Glenn L. Martin bomber plant at Fort Crook, and later as an operator for the army engineers on the Missouri river work.

There is surviving his death two sons, one of whom is reported to be with the U. S. troops in Germany and the other in Oklahoma.

The body was taken to the Sattler funeral home at 4th and Avenue A to await word from the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Panzer of Ashland, were here Sunday for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Knorr and family.

Firearms Stolen From Farm Home

Sheriff Tom Solomon reports the theft of firearms from the farm of W. H. Jorgensen, two miles west of Union. The guns were taken on Thursday while Mr. Jorgensen was absent from home visiting his wife, who is ill at a hospital.

The sheriff states that the party evidently made their entrance by the back door of the house, apparently opened by the use of a skeleton key.

The weapons taken were two shot guns and a twenty-two rifle. No trace of the weapons have been secured.

At The Cass County Court House

In the county court on Friday marriage license was issued to Richard D. Appling of Palmyra, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marion S. Appling and Helen Mariem Falk, daughter of Mrs. Catherine Falk of this city.

In the district court Thursday afternoon, order was entered by Judge Thomas E. Dunbar, in the application of Alexander John Drozynski, Pauline Marie Drozynski, John Robert Drozynski, for change of name from Drozynski to that of Lae. There being no objection the application was granted.

This Monday morning Judge Thomas E. Dunbar was in the city for a short time, enroute to Omaha from Nebraska City, while here entered the order continuing sale and ordering deed to the purchaser of real estate in the case of Dangard Reichstadt et al. vs. George W. Fornoff, et al., sold last week at public auction by Attorney Raymond J. Case, referee.



CAPITAL-LABOR HARMONY . . . That relations between capital and labor have improved since recent walkouts is evidenced by this friendly play between Philip Murray (right) and Admiral Ben Moreel, president of Jones and Laughlin Steel corporation.

Salesmanship Courses Free To Schools

The Chamber of Commerce held their December meeting Thursday evening at the Edith Solomon coffee shop in the Plattsmouth hotel and had a very interesting talk given on the distributive education by Cecil Stanley, of the office of the state department of education, as well as the Chamber business meeting.

In the routine business report of the football banquet was given by Harold A. Kirk, committee chairman. There were 123 attending the banquet, fifty-two members of the squad, 24 fathers and 39 sold outside of these. The receipts were \$94.60. The Chamber of Commerce paying for the members of the football squad. The results of the banquet were highly praised by all and it was decided to start the arrangements for the 1950 banquet at an earlier date.

Clement T. Woster, former mayor and present councilman, discussing the matter of aid to the public school band program in the summer, at the request of President R. R. Furse of the Chamber of Commerce, stated that the city in the past had levied a tax sufficient to bring in some \$1,200 to the amusement tax fund. Last year there had been a balance in the fund and the council last spring in making the budget, had lowered the amount of the levy. The city had however, paid in \$630 to the band aid during the summer, but owing to the lower levy, were unable to give the amount asked to make good the deficiency to the schools.

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Christmas Is Busy Time at Post Office

The Christmas business so far at the local post office has been the heaviest in many years. Postmaster L. W. Niel reports, and the heaviest run is yet to come in this, the final week of the rush.

The post office has the services of an extra clerk the past week. Mrs. Charles Gell, who is handling the package window at the office, and has been kept on the rush all of the day.

In the mail delivery over the city there have been three additional carriers placed in service for the holiday. Troy Cotner, Joe Highfield and Robert Longmeyer taking over the work of delivering the mail to the homes in the city.

With the growth of the Christmas packages at the post office, there will be increasing necessity for more parcel post service and this will continue until into Christmas day.

The Christmas card business has been very heavy at the local office for the past several weeks and shows no abatement.

Ralph Hild Named To Honorary Group

Ralph Hild, son of Mr. and Mrs. John L. Hild, of Plattsmouth, is a new member of the Block and Bridle Club, national honorary organization for animal husbandry students at the University of Nebraska.

Block and Bridle sponsors the university livestock judging teams which compete at national-wide contests.

Hild, a sophomore, is one of 12 students named to membership.

Car Wrecks at Week End Keep Sheriff Busy

The week end brought a number of car wrecks in the county that kept Sheriff Solomon busy Friday and Saturday in getting the wrecked parties, cars and trucks straightened out.

On Friday the car owned by Ralph Younker, 19 of Union, was wrecked two miles south of the Murray corner on highway No. 75. Younker told the sheriff that the tie rod came loose thereby leaving no control over the car that had turned over several times, knocking down a telephone pole. The car had turned over several times.

Younker suffered cuts and bruises and Rex Eaton, Union, 17, a broken collar bone, cuts and bruises. Stanley Meade was an occupant of the car but was not injured. Younker was thrown from the car in its rolling. The damage to the car is estimated at \$200.

The second accident occurred north of Manley. Donald Sudduth, of Weeping Water, was driving his car north on a gravel road as a car driven by Melvin E. Buskirk, of Louisville, was coming south. Mr. Buskirk told the sheriff that he was unable to get around a car traveling in the same direction in time to miss the oncoming Sudduth car. The Sudduth car rolled over onto the shoulder of the road in order to miss the Buskirk car. The injured were taken to the office of Dr. Kunkel in Weeping Water for treatment. Injured in the Sudduth car were Mrs. Orva Sudduth, 28, injured nose, cuts and bruises. Other occupants of the car were Dennis Sudduth, aged eight months; Mrs. Arthur Meske, 33, of Weeping Water, and her son, Thomas Meske, aged three. In the Buskirk car were Mrs. Ruth Buskirk, aged 49, shock, cuts and bruises, Melvin E. Buskirk, chest and leg injuries. The damages to the car is estimated at \$300.

Saturday afternoon Sheriff Solomon was called to highway No. 1, three miles west of Murray, where a truck accident was reported. The driver of the truck was Raymond Pointer, of Weeping Water, and the accident was caused by loose gravel. Pointer reported. The injured were given first aid treatment by Sheriff Solomon. Raymond Pointer had a deep cut on the left wrist and a possible strain of the right forearm. Betty Wood, 16 of Plattsmouth, an occupant of the truck, received minor cuts and bruises. The owner of the 1946 Studebaker truck was August G. Kruse of Omaha, who escaped injury.