

Four Injured In Auto Accident Near Plattsmouth

A small patch of ice on highway 75, near dead man's curve north of Plattsmouth resulted in injuries to at least four persons Tuesday night.

Most seriously injured was Mrs. Eleanor Davis, 38, who sustained rib and arm fractures in addition to shock. She was reported in critical condition at an Omaha hospital.

Also injured seriously was 16-month old Lee Davis, son of the injured woman, who received arm and leg fractures.

Others injured were Sanford Davis, 58, driver of one car, and another son, Ted, 5, who received cuts and bruises.

Sheriff Tom Solomon, who investigated the accident, said that the car driven by Sanford, who was going south returning to the Davis home at St. Joseph, Mo., collided with another driven by Captain Earl Weiberg, 33, who was returning to Offutt Field, Weiberg is living in Plattsmouth.

Solomon said the accident occurred on the approach to the curve about 6:15 Tuesday night. He said Davis had told him that the Davis car had turned around when it struck a patch of ice just before the accident.

The Davis family was taken to Omaha in the Caldwell ambulance. Dr. R. F. Brendel gave emergency treatment to the injured at the scene of the accident. Capt. Weiberg hitched a ride to the base.

Both cars were seriously damaged as traffic on the road was held up for almost an hour.

Glenn Pankonin Cops Top Honors At Gun Shoot

Glenn Pankonin walked off with top honors in the first Izak Walton gun shoot to be held here in a long time.

Pankonin shattered 36 targets out of a possible 42 to take the Sunday shoot which was held at the Izak Walton grounds east of the Platte river bridge. For his top shooting, Pankonin received two bacons and two turkeys.

Others to crash the winners' circle were John Terryberry, who received a bacon and a turkey for hitting 16 of 20 targets; Lyle Melinger, a bacon and turkey for 14 of 20 targets; Arthur Sprick and Ralph Gansner, each one bacon for smashing eight of ten targets; and Jess Ogden, one bacon for hitting seven of 10 targets.

A strong wind hampered shooting throughout the day and cut the possibility of higher scores.

Another shoot is planned in two weeks. Further information will be disclosed at a later date.

Dan Reichstadt On Cargo Ship

Dan H. Reichstadt, Jr., fireman apprentice, USN, of Plattsmouth, is serving aboard an attack cargo ship, USS Uvalde, in the Pacific. The Uvalde is carrying food and clothing from supply depots on the west coast to bases in the Far East.

When the Korean hostilities broke out, the Uvalde was undergoing annual overhaul in San Francisco. On one day's notice, she was loaded with supplies and immediately headed for the war zone.

Crash Extends Soldier's Leave

Larry Thimman, who had spent a ten day furlough here over the holidays, was given a slight extension Tuesday. He left Plattsmouth Tuesday to return to Carlisle, Pennsylvania, but was delayed when his car struck a patch of ice near Des Moines and crashed into a telephone pole.

No one was injured and he is resuming the trip back to his army camp.

Journal Receives Newsprint Order

First shipment of newsprint since last September was received at the Journal plant last Thursday morning. While only 10,000 pounds, it came in the nick of time.

For weeks The Journal has been nursing a supply that seemed to be inadequate to serve minimum requirements. Every combination of press run was used in order to make every ounce of paper cover these needs.

When the above shipment arrived, The Journal had placed on its Goss News the last roll of newsprint in the plant.

Other newspapers in the area using roll print are having their problems, too. Shipments are being rationed and unless quotas are extended to metropolitan dailies, many smaller papers are in for a long hard pull.

Remove Lights From Courthouse Tree

Those Christmas lights hanging in the evergreen on our courthouse lawn for the past three or four years that have worried many of our local residents, were removed Tuesday by Consumers' Public Power.

On behalf of Plattsmouth residents, we carry their appreciation to Fred Rea and his helpers for their effort and expenditure in attempting to brighten up the corner. Although this was about the saddest and most repulsive looking Christmas tree in eastern Nebraska this year, let's not be hasty in passing judgment. We're sure that by next December gloom will be dispelled from the city when the lights are put back on.

Cpl. Bob Baines Pulls Through Korea Retreat

A letter received from Cpl. Robert Gaines on Christmas day by his mother, Mrs. Lucille Horn Gaines, register of deeds, informed her he had survived the long retreat with the First Marine Division in Korea from the Chasin Reservoir area.

After landing in the States last summer following nearly two years spent in China and Japan, Bob was immediately returned to Korea and has been in the thick of the fighting since. He was last heard from on November 26, during intense fighting that led his division to the Manchurian border.

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Thanks for the prayers, Mom, you may not know it but they pulled me through the campaign unharmed. There was one day in particular when you must have really prayed for me.

On that day, not counting the numerous bullets that missed me by several feet, I got hit through my pack while it was still on my back; one went through my right trouser leg; another ripped the sleeve of my parka; and finally one put a big dent in my helmet. All this happened in the space of six hours.

Not only that, but my squad of 13 men was depleted to five. Those prayers really helped. At the moment I am in a rest area at Masan, just south of Pusan.

I received a letter from the First Marine Division in Korea from the Chasin Reservoir area through mountain trails in bitter cold to the evacuation port of Hungnam is a bitter one. In temperatures at times dropping to 25 below zero, this sort of trip is no picnic.

This letter telling of his safety arriving on Christmas morning was the greatest gift his mother and friends ever received.

Man Injured As Man Discharges

Archie D. Thornton, 1708 2nd avenue, is recovering today after his rifle discharged accidentally and the bullet entered his body. The accident occurred while Thornton was hunting New Year's Day.

He had stepped from his car and was preparing to load the rifle when the weapon was accidentally jarred and discharged. The bullet entered his body at an angle and passed through the muscle on the right side of his chest.

Thornton believed the gun to be empty. He has been confined to his bed for about two weeks. The injury was not serious.

Sheriff Tom Solomon said the accident occurred near the rifle range north of the city.

Streets, Sidewalks Are Ice Covered

Old man winter moved back into the weather picture in the Plattsmouth community this week, following a spring-like entrance of the new year.

While temperatures Monday ranged above the freezing mark, snow flurries early Tuesday and throughout most of the morning deposited a heavy covering of the white stuff.

Predicted heavy snow Wednesday failed to materialize, although temperatures early Wednesday morning dipped far below the freezing point, climbing to the upper 20's Wednesday afternoon.

Streets and sidewalks in the city were slick and dangerous throughout the day Wednesday and were still in the same condition yet this morning.

Journal Want Ads Pay!

Bloodmobile In City; Seek 165 Pints Blood

Residents of Plattsmouth and surrounding area found out today that giving blood isn't as bad as it may sound. They were the ones who took time to donate a pint of blood to the Red Cross. The donations were given as a part of the Veteran's movement to sponsor a successful bloodmobile visit to Plattsmouth today.

The first group of donors were taken shortly before noon, and the unit was in the midst of activity when The Journal went to press this afternoon. The unit was set up at the Presbyterian church.

Success on the bloodmobile visit is dependent upon the number of donors. The Red Cross basis each visit on a quota which for Plattsmouth is 165. Since many potential donors are disqualified by various tests made before blood is taken, at least 200 donors are needed for the unit to reach its quota.

And if donors are wondering where the blood is going, they may be interested to learn that all of the blood sent to Korea for medical purposes for the country's fighting men, all of it has come from the Red Cross.

But while the blood is given free, statistics show that it costs the Red Cross an average of \$10 to draw and process each pint. It takes two and one-half pints of whole blood to make a unit of plasma.

Even before the bloodmobile

George Litle, 24, Injured As Car Leaves Road

George O. Litle, 24, received cuts and bruises about the head and body Monday when he apparently suffered an attack and lost control of his car.

Sheriff Tom Solomon, who investigated the accident, said Litle's body was taken from the car through the windshield. He was taken to University hospital by Caldwell ambulance.

According to the sheriff, Litle had been on his way home at the time of the attack. He had gone south on highway 75 and had returned onto a dirt road leading to his home at the time of the accident.

The car left the left side of the road, climbed up an embankment, and struck a tree. Litle, who suffered shock, in addition to cuts and bruises, is reportedly improved.

The car was seriously damaged.

Vandals Smash Windows at Olson Rock Quarry

Several windows were broken late Sunday night at the Olson Rock Quarry by Weeping Water vandals.

Litle, who suffered shock, in addition to cuts and bruises, is reportedly improved.

According to the sheriff's report a two-foot tile was thrown through the east door of the building, breaking the glass. Small windows on the west side of the scale house were broken, and nine windows were broken in the cab of the crane. The windshield of the cab on the compressor was also smashed.

The damage was discovered by Clyde Smith, who was in charge of the quarry.

VISIT IN LOUISIANA

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Evers departed December 26 for a vacation trip in Louisiana. They will visit at Amite, where they lived 32 years ago, in hopes of finding familiar places and old friends.

MOVES TO CALIFORNIA

J. J. Gleason, who has been station agent at Murray, has retired and will go to Lynwood, Calif., to make his home. Mrs. Gleason has been living there for some time.

Billy Sullivan Has Appendectomy Sat.

Billy Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Newton Sullivan, of south of Plattsmouth, was taken to an Omaha hospital Saturday where he later submitted to an appendectomy. He is making a rapid recovery and returned home Tuesday. His sister, Barbara, was only recently released following a similar operation.

NEW CORRESPONDENT FOR SOUTH ASHLAND

Mrs. Ivan E. Armstrong will replace Mrs. John Remmenga as journal correspondent for South Ashland next week. Mrs. Remmenga was forced to resign her duties as correspondent because her family is leaving the area.

Charles E. Patch Receives Call To U. S. Army

Charles E. Patch, who has served as druggist at Cass Drug for the past three and one-half years leaves this Thursday evening for Ft. Sheridan Army Base, 23 miles north of Chicago, where he will be assigned to Medical Supply.

Mr. Patch, who has made his home in Plattsmouth since June of 1947, is a registered pharmacist and served aboard a troop transport during the last war.



Charles E. Patch also in medical supply. He was assigned in June of 1946 and had been employed in a Lincoln pharmacy prior to coming to this city.

He with his family, Mrs. Patch and two children, Micky and Gayle, have their home at 810 Avenue D, where the family will continue to reside for the present, or until Mr. Patch receives a permanent assignment.

Serving as president of the local Ad Club during the past year, Mr. Patch has been most active in civic affairs and has contributed a good deal to the trade promotion activities of the city since residing here. He will be greatly missed, not only at the store, but in civic groups throughout the city.

At The Cass County Court House

A petition was filed in District court Tuesday by Walter H. Smith, Cass county attorney, against E. C. Finlay of Douglas county. The petition seeks \$1,000 from Finlay, who posted bond for Ellis N. Phillips. Phillips failed to appear for hearing here November 20. He was charged with the possession of burglary tools.

A complaint, filed by Richard Rhoades, against Harold Radtke and Harold Radtke, Jr., of Murray, for disturbing the peace, was ruled in favor of the defendants by County Judge Raymond J. Case Wednesday. In his judgment, Judge Case ruled that the state had failed to prove its case. Court costs were assessed against the plaintiff.

Marriage license was issued to Jack E. Clark, 51, Forest Grove, Oregon, and Alice L. Sharpnack, 45, Plattsmouth, Wednesday. They were married by Rev. Harold V. Mitchell.

George McKay, charged on two counts, speeding and reckless driving, pled guilty in county court Thursday. Judge Raymond J. Case fined McKay \$10 on each count, plus court cost. The complaint was filed by Patrolman J. E. Kruger.

Red Cross Head Speaks At Rotary Club Tuesday

Mrs. Frances Smith, director of the Omaha Regional Blood Bank, was guest speaker at Rotary Club here Tuesday noon, bringing Rotarians an inside picture of efforts of Red Cross workers and civilians in keeping a steady flow of blood, plasma and derivatives going through regular channels.

Smith revealed the Red Cross took over direction of the bloodmobile three years ago at the insistence of American Medical and Hospital associations. They were selected because they had in operation numerous organizations throughout the United States and could handle such a gigantic program with the personnel and equipment with which they were supplied.

Although the Red Cross has secured 32 blood centers throughout the country, the program has only gotten underway. It will be several years before even 80 per cent of the country can be covered with the service. In Nebraska 50 counties are now participating in the program.

During December, the Omaha Blood Bank supplied 1,872 pints of blood to hospitals and individuals at no cost. In addition, 282 pints of whole blood and 456 units of plasma were delivered to the armed forces, but the quota was not filled.

January quota for the Omaha blood bank, of which Cass county is a part, stands at 2,200 pints for civilians. 750 pints of whole blood for Korea, plus an additional 1,500 pints to be sent to commercial laboratories for processing into plasma. This will require that five per cent of the people in the area served give a pint of blood. That means 800 pints of blood must come from this county.

Dr. A. L. Amato, program chairman and director of the county blood drive, revealed that three temporary contribution centers are open in Cass county this week, Elmwood, with 125 signed up; Louisville, with 200; and Plattsmouth with about 100.

Robert M. Walling introduced high school student guests of Rotary for January, John Horne, junior, and Ed Baumgart, senior.

Regular songfest saw Bill Westcott at the piano, with John Frady leading.

'Lend Me A Hand' Is Slogan For March Of Dimes

"Lend Me A Hand" That is the slogan of the 1951 March of Dimes which will begin here and throughout the nation on January 15. The two week campaign in Cass county will be under the direction of Mrs. Orville Nielsen, county chairman. It will close January 30.

Local chairmen are already formulating plans for an extensive campaign, which will be climaxed January 30 when a Birthday Ball is held.

The slogan is portrayed by a young polio victim whose arms have been crippled.

Henry Donat, local chairman, disclosed earlier that a large corn crib will be erected in the business district. Corn deposited in the crib will be sold with proceeds going to the March of Dimes.

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County Officials Sworn In Today

Motorists Warned Of Sled Mishaps

With the heavy snow of the past few days, motorists' attention is called to be on the lookout for children sledding on Plattsmouth streets.

In many sections of the city drivers have a habit of running stop signs in residential areas. These stop signs were placed at strategic intersections for the express purpose of protecting pedestrians and drivers at blind and dangerous street crossings. Invariably they are found at the foot of steep hills.

While a most dangerous pastime, neighborhood children often use these streets for sledding. Let's not have a repeat performance of a year ago. Drivers should keep their eyes and ears open and obey every traffic sign.

Don't let it be you that injures or kills some boy or girl.

Stork Club Head Says Plattsmouth Worst Christmas

Sherman Billingsly, famed night club head and owner of New York's exclusive "Stork" gave Plattsmouth all-time publicity in the New York Herald-Tribune Christmas day.

Just when Plattsmouth was in the midst of purveying the best of "good will" to everybody in the spirit of the holiday season, "Stork" comes up with a slap in the face in an interview with Hy Gardner, the Herald-Tribune dispenser of gossip, in his "Early Bird on Broadway" column.

Mavor Clem Wester received a torn newspaper page from some unknown well-wisher at Corns, New York, containing the following interview:

"Sherman Billingsly's most unforgettable Christmas happened in a town called Plattsmouth, Neb. 'I was driving a broken down Ford,' he reminisced, 'when suddenly I was stopped by a wussy sheriff on suspicion of tipping off running cars. His ribs loked me in a room of the local firehouse where no one came near me for two days. I was without food, water, there wasn't even a cigarette butt to puff on. By the time the assistant chief of police found me, released me and apologized, Christmas was over. I'll never forget Plattsmouth, Neb.'"

We here at The Journal would be inclined to cast a shadow (continued on page three)

Baby Contest Deadline Nears

There are only two days left for entry in The Journal's annual first baby of the New Year contest. Entry in the contest will be closed Saturday.

To honor the first baby of the year, Plattsmouth merchants are offering an array of gifts for both the baby and his (or her) parents.

To be eligible for the gifts, the day, hour, minute and place of birth of the baby, its weight, color of eyes, the name and address of the parents, and the name and signature of the physician must be submitted to the First Baby Contest editor by January 8th.

Who the fortunate baby is, will be disclosed next week.

A classified Ad in The Journal costs as little as 35c.

Four new faces will be found around the court house for the next few days, following official swearing in of elected county officials today.

New county officers sworn in today were W. J. Bryan MacDonald, county clerk; Richard C. Peck, county attorney; and Ray Norris of Avoca and Herman Bornemeier of Alvo, commissioners from the second and third districts.

Not returning to their court house duties will be George R. Sayles, who had served as county clerk for over 30 years; Walter H. Smith, county attorney for two terms; and Parr Young, Nebawka and A. G. Reed, Elmwood, commissioners. Young, Reed and Smith did not seek re-election.

But for each new face, two returning officials will be present at their posts. The eight returning county officers are:

C. E. Ledaway, clerk of the district court, who will be starting his 6th term.

Wm. Puls, who will be starting his 26th year as county assessor, is dean of the county officials. Puls first became assessor in 1925.

Lloyd A. Behrends, county superintendent, who was elected to a second term this year. He had served the office in an appointive capacity before election to his first term. Behrends had taught school at Weeping Water for 19 years, 12 as the school's superintendent. His wife, who is his assistant, also taught at Weeping Water.

Fuelle Horn Gaines, register of deeds will be starting her third term having been elected twice before.

Raymond J. Case will be starting his first elective term as county judge. He had served in the office since he was appointed last June.

Ruth M. Patton, county treasurer, who was re-elected last fall will start her third term.

Tom Solomon, Cass county's nationally known sheriff, will start his second term today.

Frank Dall will be the county surveyor for the next term. He had served in the office before, retaining to complete his schooling. He had worked with the state since graduating in June.

Wm. R. Nolte, county commissioner from the 1st district, will be back. Nolte still has time to serve on his first term in office.

Bornemeier, commissioner elected from the second district, will not be unfamiliar with the duties of the commission. He had been elected before but had later resigned.

Ray Norris, new commissioner from the second district, replacing Perry Young, who did not run for re-election had served with the County Commissioner several years ago. Norris, who is from Avoca, was elected last fall.

The new county officials were sworn in by County Judge Raymond J. Case.

Chamber To Hold Annual Meeting Here Tonight

Members of the Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual organizational meeting tonight, with election of officers and an address by Howard Shirock highlighting the evening's activities.

The 6:30 dinner meeting will be held at Hotel Plattsmouth. With a new year opening additional fields of promotion to the group, all members of the Chamber are urged to attend to take an active part in the early stages of developing plans for advancement of Plattsmouth through progressive activities.

Shirock, manager of the industrial department of the Omaha Chamber of Commerce will give Chamber members an idea of how Plattsmouth can benefit from "War Contracts for Small Business Men."

Development of industry in the city is one of the leading activities which the Chamber will promote during the coming year.

Special notices of the annual meeting were sent out to Chamber members last week. A large attendance at the meeting could well be the kick-off for an active year by the Chamber.

John Bissing Home From Hospital

John Bissing, who has been confined to an Omaha hospital for the past 60 days, returned to the Fred Rea home in Plattsmouth where he is recuperating from a most serious illness and a series of operations. Mr. Bissing, who was forced to close his watch shop here temporarily, is making a good progress as possible under his circumstances and hopes to be back in business circles before many months pass.

New Comic Section Starts Today!

There'll be extra reading pleasure in The Journal for all members of the family starting with this issue.

The little extras will give Mom, Dad and the kids a complete comic section, with six new entertaining comic strips slated for weekly publication each Thursday.

But Journal readers won't miss the regular comics either.

The six comic strips were added to the newspaper's entertaining features to provide a more complete service to readers. Their human interest and every day appeal should be greeted with great pleasure by Journal readers.

Paul Gringle's comic strip, "Rural Delivery," features a family affair with Jenny and "Ma and Pa" developing unusual, yet lifelike, family situations.

"Deems" portrays humorously incidents which the young character gets into, while in "Off Main Street," Gus and "Bug-Eyes" will open a new entertaining strip for the entire family.

And a comparison of the old and new in Art Beeman's "Those Were the Days" will recall the

Deems

Hoss Face Hank

Blackie

Do You Remember?

Gorgeous Jenny

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