

Donors Give 104 Pints Of Blood Here Thursday

One hundred four pints of blood were taken in Plattsmouth Thursday when the Red Cross Bloodmobile visited the city, according to Dr. Louis A. Amato.

And although the sponsoring groups had hoped to have a larger number of pints given, the overall response to the blood donor drive was considered good.

One hundred twenty-four donors offered their blood here Thursday with 104 given. The other twenty are small percentages compared to other towns in the area, were disqualified for various reasons. Dr. Amato disclosed that the majority of those turned back were disqualified because of colds and flu.

The success of the campaign was to a great extent dependent upon the number of people who assisted the doctors and nurses in handling the donors. Dr. Amato said he and his assistants thank the donors for making the bloodmobile visit a success.

A list of all donors will be received by Dr. Amato sometime this week and the names of the donors will be published. The list will be sent here from the blood center at Omaha.

But while sponsors had hoped for a greater number of donors, the number of pints of blood taken here was good compared to others. Flu and colds cut down the number of pints of blood taken at Louisville where 189 donors registered but only 98 pints of blood were taken.

Similar results were posted at Elmwood where 78 pints were taken from 130 donors.

Dr. Amato said that Cass county's quota is 675 pints each year.

Sponsors of the bloodmobile visit were the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and their Auxiliaries.



"WHODUNNIT" . . . Washington, D. C., construction worker examines skull and bone of a man found by excavators sunk in lime. Police said skull had been "bashed in."

American Legion Appoints Civil Defense Group

A committee on Civil Defense to work with the City Council was appointed by the American Legion at its regular monthly meeting Thursday night.

Appointed to the committee were: Wm. Schmidtman, Adriaan Nevens, Dr. Robert J. Dietz and E. O. Vroman.

The action followed a motion by Kenneth Hart that the commander appoint a committee of Civil Defense to work with the city council and that the chairman of the committee volunteer the services of the post to take part in the plan the city might propose.

The Legionnaires also approved plans for sponsoring a Senior baseball team during the summer of 1951. Lindy Wolever was named manager of the team; Eldon Vroman, business manager, and Russell Nielsen as assistant.

Income Tax Aids In City Today

Federal Income Tax assistants are in Plattsmouth today and will remain over Tuesday to assist farmers in filing tax returns before the deadline January 15. They will again be in the city on January 17 and 18.

Deputy collectors will be at the courthouse in Plattsmouth on January 17 and 18; at the Nebraska Bank on January 29 and 30, and at the Louisville bank on the same dates to assist farmers.

On March 8 and 9, deputy collectors will be at the courthouse in Plattsmouth; at the bank in Nehawka on March 8, and at Louisville on March 9.

County Doctors To Register January 15

All Cass county doctors with degrees in medicine, dentistry and veterinary must register at the office of the Cass County Selective Service board January 15, Charlotte Gull disclosed Saturday.

The office will be open from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m. to handle the registration.

Doctors under 50 years of age, holding degrees in the three classifications must register in accordance with statute recently passed by Congress.

An earlier registration throughout the nation, required only one doctor in the county to register. All others, who registered at that time, must do so again, according to Mrs. Gull.

Meeting Of Flood Control Group Near

A meeting of the Cass-Weeping Water Creek Association will be held at the auditorium at Weeping Water Thursday.

Features of the meeting will be adoption of a constitution and election of officers, and an address by Stanley Matzke, farm editor of the Lincoln Journal and secretary of the Salt-Wahoo Watershed Association.

Creation of a permanent organization to prevent floods through extensive soil conservation measures is the aim of the group. The movement started several weeks ago at Weeping Water.

The proposed watershed area includes parts of Cass county not included in the other watershed districts and parts of Otoe county.

Attorneys Begley And Peck Move To New Quarters

Remodeling of the building at 416 Main, formerly occupied by Tim, the Hairdresser, for occupancy by James Begley and Richard Peck, attorneys, is in the process.

In addition it will be the office of the county attorney, Peck took over the duties of county attorney last week and will have his office at the new building.

In redressing the interior of the building, the windows were frosted, walls were papered and painted, and a small floor furnace was installed in one room.

Although County Attorney Peck has set up a temporary office at the new location, they do not expect to be moved into their new office quarters until late today or Tuesday.

New Disc Sharpener Works Right on Farm

Appearing elsewhere in this issue of The Journal is an advertisement telling of the improved method of disc sharpening to be used by Joe Palcich of Bellevue.

Mr. Palcich recently purchased the machine which sharpens all types discs right on the farm. He will operate on a franchise in Cass county.

Two Plattsmouth Girls To Perform In Swim Meet

Two Plattsmouth girls will take part in a winter swimming contest as representatives of the Omaha J. C. C. team.

They are Marilyn and Mabelle Warga, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Warga. Marilyn is a junior in the Plattsmouth high school and Mabelle is an eighth grade student at the Rock Bluffs school.

The sisters learned to swim at Merritts beach several years ago and when the beach closed for the season, they continued with their swimming at indoor pools in Omaha.

Marilyn joined the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States and has been with the J. C. C. swim team since it was organized last fall.

Mabelle joined the team recently. The team is composed of 17 high school girls and has participated in swim meets held in Omaha against teams from Sioux City, Ia., and Sioux Falls, S. D. It is coached by Bill O'Hearn.

The team will take part in a swim meet to be held in Sioux City. Other teams expected to enter are from Sioux Falls, Kansas City and possibly Des Moines.

Retail Stores To Close At 9 P.M. Here Saturdays

All retail stores in Plattsmouth will observe a nine o'clock closing Saturday nights, Frank Biles, president of the Ad Club disclosed today.

According to Biles, all retail stores with the qualified exception of grocery stores will observe the 9 p.m. closing. The action was taken by the Ad Club at its meeting prior to Christmas and became effective the first of the year.

Grocery stores will leave their doors open until 9:30 for the convenience of shoppers who like to do their shopping at the store to be closed. The closing will be in effect until the first of April.

Special Night Dairy Cattle Sale Planned

A special night dairy cattle sale will be held at the Plattsmouth Sale Barn Wednesday night. The sale is scheduled to meet under way at 7:30.

Twenty-eight head of Holstein and Guernsey cows, heifers and calves will be sent through the ring.

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At The Cass County Court House

Marriage license was issued to Lawrence William Richards, Jr., and Geneva Nadine Betts, both 18, of Council Bluffs, Ia., Saturday. They were married by County Judge Raymond J. Case with Beatrice McBeed of Omaha and Albert G. Edie of Council Bluffs, attendants.

Saturday a marriage license was issued to Wayne John Beltz, 20, of Lincoln, and Shirley Lee Doty, 19, of Weeping Water.

Robert Joseph Krejci, 23, and Barbara Jean Gansemer, 23, were issued a marriage license Saturday. They were married at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening.

Local Youth Join Air Force

John Robert White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bob White and Norman Ashbaugh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ashbaugh, enlisted in the air force at Omaha last Friday.

John is a graduate of Plattsmouth high school, class of 1949. He attended the University of Nebraska for one year where he was a member of R. O. T. C.

Norman graduated from Plattsmouth high school in 1950 and attended the University of Omaha. He was a member of the Papoose squad and made the varsity squad before the football season was over.

The boys left Omaha Saturday night for San Antonio, Texas, in the largest group ever to leave at one time.

Ikes To Install Officers Tuesday

Installation of new officers for 1951 will highlight a meeting of the Plattsmouth chapter of the Izak Walton League at the 40 & 8 club rooms Tuesday night. The meeting is scheduled for eight o'clock.

The Ikes are seeking a good turnout for the first meeting of the new year and plan a big send off for the new officers.

Heading the Ikes for the next year will be Forrest Todd, president; Ralph Gansemer, vice president; and Marvin Peteret, secretary-treasurer.

Pfe. Dick Means returned to his school Sunday last week at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. His address is A. F. 17287296, 3756 Student Tr. Sqd.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walling attended the wedding ceremony of Margaret Frahm who was married to Dr. Carl Rogler December 29, at Lincoln.

Meat Department At Hinky Dinky Is Modernized

The meat, frozen foods, and dairy departments of the Hinky Dinky store are undergoing full scale modernization this week.

The remodeling, according to Herb Baumgart, head of the meat department, started Sunday when installation of a new and larger cold storage and freezer unit was started. The huge unit, 10 x 16 feet, was set up in four hours Sunday. It is expected to be ready for use sometime Tuesday.

The new unit will provide the store with more storage space for fresh meats and frozen foods.

Installation of a triple-deck self-service counter for dairy products is expected to be ready for use later this week. The unit was brought here from Omaha Monday morning. First stages of installation were to be started today.

A new Frigidaire cooler was installed in the George Conly Clear store on Main street early this week.

Union Man's Car Damaged In Pile Up

Four cars were damaged Wednesday in a pileup on the icy pavement of highway 75 about six miles north of Nebraska City.

A car driven by Del Sylvester of Union slid across the highway, colliding with another car driven by Ervin Rittmiller of Fessenden, North Dakota.

A third car, driven by C. E. Balwin of Salem, slid sideways into the two cars, and a fourth, driven by Roy J. Reith of Bedford, Ia., slid into the Balwin vehicle.

The front end of the Rittmiller car and the radiator of Sylvester's vehicle were badly damaged.

Dr. J. W. Brendel Former Resident Of Avoca, Dies

Avoca—Special—Dr. J. W. Brendel received word of the death of his cousin, Dr. Onis Brendel, who died in a hospital at Zionsville, Indiana, of virus pneumonia January 3, after an illness of several days.

Dr. Onis Brendel, 67, a former resident of Avoca, was a son of the late Dr. John Brendel also a former Avoca doctor. He left here when he was 16 and practiced medicine at Zionsville, Minneapolis, Minn., and South Gate, Calif., for 45 years. He retired three years ago. He was a member of the Christian church.

Surviving are a son, Jim; two granddaughters; and one sister, Mrs. Mattie Harvey. His wife died two years ago, and one sister preceded him in death.

While here his home was the E. Morley hotel.

Dr. J. W. Brendel did not attend funeral services since he had just returned Monday night and had spent several days with his cousin and had taken him to the hospital when he became ill.

Stander Imp. Co. To Hold Grand Opening Wed.

The Grand Opening of the implement and appliance store of Stander Implement Company will be held in conjunction with the John Deere Day show Wednesday.

Scheduled to get under way at one o'clock, a full length movie will be held at the Cass Theatre. The show, "One Happy Family," features Don DeFore and Marjorie Reynolds.

Following the show lunch and prizes will be given at the new location of the company on South 3rd street.

Stander Implement Company, owned by Hugh "Junior" Stander recently moved into the new building. The Grand Opening is held to acquaint patrons with the facilities of the new location and of the modern conveniences and display features of the building.

The John Deere Day show is an annual event sponsored by Stander Implement. Admittance is by ticket only.

O. T. Nichol, Jr. Heads American Loan Plan Here

O. T. Nichol Jr., 35-year old Omahan, is the new manager of the American Loan Plan in Plattsmouth. He succeeds Don Arundel, who stepped out the first of the year.

Nichol, a native of Omaha, took over as manager of the business the first of January. He had been with the Omaha branch of the company for the past year.

Nichol, who graduated from high school in Omaha, attended Creighton University. He is a veteran of World War II, having served in the European theatre of war with the infantry. He was in the army for five years.

Prior to becoming associated with the American Loan Plan, Nichol had been assistant credit manager at Swift and Co. Since receiving a discharge from the army, he has also worked with his father, O. T. Nichol Sr., in the sand and gravel business.

Nichol said his father at one time was a salesman in the Plattsmouth area.

Mortgage Filing And Releases Climb In 1950

Filing of both farm and city mortgages in Cass county showed a definite increase of 1949. The annual statement from the office of the Register of Deeds reveals.

The amount of released mortgages on both farm and city property also climbed over a year ago.

According to the annual statement, 109 farm mortgages totaling \$704,662.50 were filed in 1950 compared with 94 filings for \$679,475.06 a year previous.

At the same time, the number of mortgages released also showed a direct climb with 126 releases totaling \$761,611.22 last year while 97 totaling \$530,916.27 were released in 1949.

Town and city mortgages climbed from \$2,837,111 for 223 filings in 1949 to \$712,904.32 for 263 filings last year. City releases in 1949 showed 175 totaling \$359,485.81 compared to 182 for \$411,336.90 in 1950.

Sheriff's deeds in 1950 showed 14 for city property while a year ago, 48 city and 23 farms were listed.

Walt Smith, Bruce Gold To Head Plattsmouth Chamber Of Commerce

Mynard Farm Bureau Unit Meets Wednesday

The Mynard Farm Bureau Unit held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Barnard in Mynard, on Wednesday evening, January 3, at 8 p. m.

The meeting was called to order by President Robert R. Cole. Songs were sung, accompanied by Mrs. Roy O. Cole at the piano. The secretary's report was given by Mrs. Richard O. Cole. The several committee reports included legislative and services.

A report led by Royal Smith of the line meeting at Louisville Tuesday afternoon, January 2, was discussed by three of the eight men who attended the meeting. The Louisville meeting was a special follow-up membership drive pep meeting; the membership drive to be held the next week.

A discussion on fertilizer was led by Herman Meisinger. Since membership chairman Henry Vinuska, was absent, other members reported that several people had been enrolled as members of farm bureau in this community on the day of our meeting.

Following the business, a soil testing demonstration was given by Robert R. Cole. Mr. Cole has had considerable work of this kind while attending the University at Lincoln and was well versed on the subject. The demonstration proved to be very interesting and most helpful to understand the why's and wherefore's of commercial fertilizer. Everyone appreciated this fine demonstration to the utmost.

At an appropriate hour, a lunch was served by the hostess, Mrs. Barnard. The evening closed with visiting with neighbors and friends.—News Reporter.



Walter H. Smith
President
Chamber of Commerce



Bruce E. Gold
New Vice-President, C. of C.

Walt Smith, attorney, and Bruce Gold, operator of the Western Auto Store, were named to head the Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce in 1951 at the annual meeting of the chamber Thursday night. They were given a unanimous vote.

The election climaxed a heavy night of activity for the 30 members attending the session.

Ex-County Attorney Smith will succeed C. C. Girardot as president of the Chamber. He was vice president under Girardot's administration.

Gold will fill the vacancy of vice president left vacant by Smith's advancement to the presidency.

Orville Nielsen was unanimously re-elected treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce. The names were submitted by the nominating committee.

Ways To Obtain War Contracts Told To Chamber

Somebody is going to get government contracts and it might as well be business men and manufacturers in Plattsmouth, members of the Chamber of Commerce were told by Howard Shirock, manager of the industrial department of the Omaha Chamber, Tuesday night.

Speaking on the subject, "War Contracts For Small Business," Shirock told members at the annual Chamber meeting that the government needs thousands of small items that small businesses can produce.

Obtaining the contracts is another thing, according to Shirock. Only the persistent contract seeker will have much luck.

To be in a position to obtain a government contract, Shirock told Chamber members to send all information about their business, name, plant, tools, type of help and number of employees, materials and source, and building description to the three major procurement offices of the government. "Then," he suggested, "Keep sending it until it is acknowledged. Once acknowledged, remind the officials occasionally. Shirock said.

But first of all, Shirock advised Plattsmouth business men to find out what they can produce, and to carefully determine the production cost and the selling price.

Shirock said that the government sends out award sheets weekly, and synopsis sheets daily, which tell what the government wants. They list the item, quantity and dollar value of each item.

Shirock told Chamber of Commerce members that they can receive the award sheets as members of the contracting with the Omaha Chamber. Following the (continued on page three)

Twelve To Report For Draft From Cass County

Twelve Cass county young men are slated to join their buddies in the armed forces January 18, Charlotte Gull, clerk of the Cass county Selective Service Board revealed Saturday.

The 12 youths will report for active duty in the third group of draftees to leave here since the selective service was re-activated late last summer. Other groups left the county in October and November.

Names of those to receive their draft calls were not disclosed.

She also revealed that ten more from the county will take physical examinations January 15.

The draft board met Saturday morning for routine business. Robert Cappell, recently named to the board, E. O. Vroman, and E. P. Stewart, chairman, comprise the county selective service board.

Rev. Warrington New Methodist Minister

The Rev. Fred Warrington delivered his first sermon Sunday at the Wesleyan Methodist Church, 619 So. 10th St.

Rev. Warrington, who replaces Fred Klatt who left last week to enter the Nazarene Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri, with Mrs. Warrington, comes from Marion, Indiana, where he has been doing graduate study at the Marion Wesleyan College.

Saturday evening, Dec. 30, members of the congregation surprised the Klatts in a farewell party in their honor at the parsonage.

He also suggested that committee members take a more active interest in the activities of their committee by laying the proper ground work and following through.

The meeting, held at Hotel Plattsmouth, was opened by the retiring president. Reports from the treasurer and auditing committee were approved by the group.

Refugees From Germany Seek New Life Here

A new year, a new nation, and a new life. That is the way three emigrants from Germany will begin life in the United States on a farm near Plattsmouth.

The three are Mrs. Martha Schmidt, her daughter, Mrs. Anny Reimer, and her grandson, Gerd Reimer.

They arrived at Union Station at Omaha, four hours before the new year began.

The immigrants are the mother and sister of Emil Schmidt, son-in-law of Fritz Siemonet, who farms near Plattsmouth.

Their arrival also was the form of a reunion, since they had not seen Emil since he came to the United States 20 years ago. Another brother, Fred Schmidt of Omaha, also met them at the station. Fred had been in the United States even longer than Emil.

Arrival in Nebraska ended a long trip from Hamburg, Germany, from where Mrs. Schmidt and her daughter left their native country. Although natives of Prussia, where they had owned their own farm, they had lived in Berlin for the past several years.

Forced to flee Prussia by the advance of the Russian armies, they fled to Danzig, and later to the American sector of Berlin. Mrs. Reimer said here Saturday that they had fled "for fear of their lives."

In Berlin Mrs. Reimer had worked for two years at an American depot. They lived near the Templehof Air Dome, scene of the life-saving air lift, which provided food for East Berlin, when the Russians blocked traffic into the city.

Mrs. Reimer's husband was taken alive as a Russian prisoner of war and hasn't been (Continued on page 5)

Fire Sun. Damages Carmichael Home

Fire Sunday afternoon caused considerable damage to the W. A. Carmichael house on North 8th street.

Plattsmouth firemen were called to the residence in the afternoon when fire of unknown origin starting on the roof, burned a hole in the roof and caused considerable smoke and fire damage to other parts of the building. Some water damage was also reported.

Firemen quickly extinguished the blaze.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Grove went to Lincoln Sunday to visit Mrs. Grove's mother, Mrs. Alex Silken, who is in a Lincoln hospital for treatment. Mrs. Grove remained at Lincoln to be with her mother.