

Students Advised To Take Interest In Government

Success of Boys' and Girls' County government can be acknowledged only if boys and girls elected to offices in the program recognize the importance of county government. John E. Curtiss of Lincoln told Cass county school students at a luncheon here Wednesday noon.

Parade Route Is Altered

The route of the parade prior to the Easter Egg hunt, Saturday, April 12, has been changed. The route will be as follows: The parade will form in front of Cass Theater, it will then move east on Main Street to Fifth Street, right at Fifth Street to the park area.

Druggists Name Two Counties To High Offices

Joe Zastera, Louisville druggist, was elected to the board of directors of the second district, and Fred Feldhausen, Plattsmouth druggist, was elected president of the 25-year club at the annual Nebraska Pharmaceutical convention at Omaha Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Murdock County Delegates Told

Delegates to Boys' and Girls' County Government, held here Wednesday under the sponsorship of the American Legion, included previously unreported Murdock.

Here from Murdock were William Zoz, Jr., Marvin Oehlerting, Donna Bucholz, Warren Wilkins, Carol Stock, Kenneth E. Gamlin, Ronnie Peters, Janet Kupke, Marilyn Miller, Elmer Miller, Doyel Streich and Duane Wilken.

80-Acre Farm To Be Sold At Auction

An 80-acre farm of the estate of Ferdinand Hesse will be sold at public auction at the Corn Growers State Bank at Murdock Friday, April 18, at two o'clock.

The farm is located one and three-quarter miles west and one-half mile south of Murdock. It is practically all under cultivation.

Operation Planned To Restore Sight To Simons' Eye

Willard Simons, local young man, was taken to the Clarkson hospital in Omaha Tuesday where he will undergo an eye operation. He lost the sight of his left eye and severe injury to the right eye several months ago from the effects of tear gas.

It is hoped that the delicate operation may restore partial sight to the right eye but the result will not be known for several days.

Sgt. and Mrs. Don Seeba and son, Terry, of Topeka, Kan., were guests over the week end at the home of her mother, Mrs. John Alexen.

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Man-Wife Injured In Head-On Crash Near Offutt Field

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rasmussen suffered severe shock and were badly cut and bruised in a head-on auto crash about 10 a. m. Wednesday morning when their light Studebaker pick-up truck was struck by another motorist on the viaduct near Offutt Field.

Witnesses to the accident report the Rasmussen vehicle traveling north toward Omaha started to skid on the slippery pavement. A southbound truck at the top of the viaduct, seeing the skidding car, came to a halt. A car following the truck, reported driven by a couple from Bellevue, attempted to pass and struck the Plattsmouth car head-on.

Impact of the crash threw both cars into the guard rail and tied up traffic for nearly an hour. The Rasmussen pick-up was nearly completely demolished.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Rasmussen were taken to Offutt Base hospital for treatment and later brought to their home here by Caldwell ambulance. Mrs. Rasmussen received deep lacerations over the forehead from broken glasses, a broken nose, and a badly bruised leg. Mr. Rasmussen was severely shaken up and bruised, while both suffered severe shock.

Mr. Rasmussen was only recently released from the hospital where he had undergone major surgery. They were on their way to Omaha for a check-up when the accident occurred.

Miss Lehnhoff, 89, Plattsmouth Native, Dies

Interment services were held Tuesday at Oak Hill cemetery for Miss Mathilde Lehnhoff, 89, who died at Omaha on Sunday. Old family friends were at the cemetery for the short service.

Miss Lehnhoff was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Lehnhoff, pioneer residents of this city. Her father was engaged here in the mercantile business and also in operation of a brick manufacturing plant.

Survivors are a brother, F. W. Lehnhoff and a niece, Mrs. Ernest Nordine, Jr., both of Omaha.

Filing Period Less Than Ten Days Distant

Deadline for filing assessment schedules is drawing nearer and nearer, Cass County Assessor Willard McShane warned today. Schedules must be filed by April 19, one week from Saturday.

With several hundred property owners in Plattsmouth and Cass county still to file schedules that means that at least 100 will have to complete schedules each day. McShane is hoping to evade a heavy rush next week end, when close to 500 will probably try to file schedules at the last minute.

All residents of the county owning property, including automobiles, must file assessment returns. If out-county residents failed to file schedules when local assessors were providing assistance, they must make their filing at the office of the county assessor.

It is the obligation of the property owner to file a schedule, McShane said.

Roland Pruess Elected Commander Of V.F.W.

Roland Pruess, veteran of World War II, was elected commander of Lept-Wolver Post, No. 2543 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars at the group's annual election of officers Monday night.

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John Hiltner

Contracts Are Again Considered By School Board

One new teacher was hired, one resignation accepted and contracts of other teachers discussed at the April meeting of the Plattsmouth Board of Education held Tuesday night.

The resignation of John Hiltner, industrial arts instructor, was accepted by the board, while it also approved hiring of a kindergarten teacher. General discussion of teaching contracts was also held.

Board members learned that as of May 31, 1952, vocational agricultural classes will be discontinued. As explained to the board, a smaller supply of qualified veterans makes continuation of the program impractical.

The Plattsmouth school board also learned that the high school program at Plattsmouth is basically sound but lacking in several departments. In a four-page educational survey conducted by the state department of education, board members were told that the high school program is fundamentally providing proper educational facilities, but several suggestions for improvement were offered.

Funeral Services Held For Schindler

Funeral services were held at Nebraska City Monday for Albert A. Schindler, a retired farmer, who had lived his entire life in Otoe county. He was found dead at his home Saturday, Mr. Schindler was 74 years old.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Ruth Troutman of Winside, and Mrs. Alberta Elliott of Weeping Water, and five grandchildren. Two sisters and three brothers also survive.

Commandery To Attend Services

Mt. Zion Commandery No. 6, Knights Templar will meet at the Masonic Hall at ten o'clock Easter Sunday morning in preparation for attending services at St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed church.

Miss Gerhard, 82, Dies At Eagle

Miss Jennie Gerhard, resident of the Eagle community for many years, died at her home in Eagle Sunday. She was 82 years old.

Funeral services were held at 2:30 Wednesday afternoon at Immanuel Lutheran church at Eagle with Rev. A. G. Ahlman officiating. Marion Wulf was vocalist. Pallbearers were Claude, Harvey and Glendon Gerhard, J. Eldee McKay, Orris Lanning and Chester Bornemeier.

Surviving are a brother, Edward Gerhard of Eagle, and a sister, Mrs. Otella Moore of Lincoln.

Earthquake Tremors Not Felt Here

Earthquake tremors which shook seven midwestern states Wednesday failed to get much of a response in Plattsmouth. Few, if any, calls reached The Journal from persons noticing the shake.

In both Lincoln and Omaha numerous reports were received of swaying buildings, rattling dishes and of many persons experiencing dizzy sensations during the shock period.

The reports of the tremor Wednesday morning recalled to many localities the earthquake here in 1877 that cracked walls in several downtown buildings and the old high school building near where Central now stands.

Music Program Is Well Received Wednesday Night

Musical selections were presented by 24 individuals and groups at the annual pre-concert music program of the Plattsmouth high school music department Wednesday night.

The program was under the direction of Ward Pscherer, high school vocal and instrumental music instructor.

Selections included three numbers by each the band and chorus, several instrumental and vocal solos, and numbers for vocal and instrumental small groups.

The same groups will present music contest to be held at Auditorium in the district burn April 18 and 19.

Although inclement weather conditions cut down the size of the audience, the limited facilities of the high school auditorium were generally well filled for the all-star musical program.

Soloists included JoAnn Cecil piano; Ray Sprick, medium voice; Patricia Painter, medium voice; Willard Christenson, baritone; Carol Rakow, clarinet; Shirley Story, medium voice; Wendell Friest, trombone; Edith Wetekamp, low voice; Marion Hild, baritone; Janice Hutton, saxophone; Michael Shellenbarger, French horn; Jerome Shellenbarger, snare drum; Dick Glaze, bass horn; Betty Jane-son, Roy, and an infant daughter also preceded her in death.

Surviving are three sons, Harry of Walton, Harold and Donald, both of Lincoln; three daughters, Mrs. Edith Axel of Omaha, Mrs. Hazel Porter and Mrs. Eva Scattergood of Eagle; 14 grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

Three sisters, Mrs. Dollie McKee and the Misses Bertha and Kate Miller of Omaha, also survive.

Funeral services were held at Eagle Methodist church Tuesday, April 1, with Rev. Fishel officiating. Max Buettgenbach, Mrs. John Fisher and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rudolph sang, accompanied by Mrs. Buettgenbach at the piano.

College, Career Day Is Slated At High School

Fifth Annual College and Career Day will be held at Plattsmouth high school April 14. G. F. Wendorfer, state director of vocational education will be the main speaker at a general session in the assembly from 1:00 to 2:00.

Twelve sectional meetings, with each student permitted to attend two of them, have been set for that day. Sectional meetings will consist of nursing, commercial, engineering, teaching, law, trades, vocational agriculture, retail-sales, business administration, journalism, armed forces for boys, and armed forces for girls.

A college and non-college panel discussion will follow the sectional meetings.

Five Plattsmouth girls will be represented at the nurses session. Betty Uhlik, Patricia Kocia, Wilma Keil, Mildred Meisner and Mary Margaret Cole will attend the meeting.

Representatives of the state employment office will also be on hand to explain to students the free services offered by the employment office to those seeking jobs.

A special session is also on tap for boys 17 years of age and older. Captain Davidson of the Marine Corps will provide information on the pre-induction reserve program.

A noon luncheon will be served in the cafeteria for guest speakers and the home economics department will serve coffee at four o'clock.

Seniors from Union, Louisville, Avoca, Greenwood, Murdock and Nehawka will also attend the College and Career Day session. Parents are also invited.

Rain And Snow Tumble Highest Temperatures

Precipitation said to be nearly an inch was recorded here Tuesday night and Wednesday. The precipitation fell in the form of rain and snow.

After a very warm Tuesday, which saw temperatures climb into the 80's, a sudden cold wave sent temperatures dipping with a nearly 20 degree drop recorded within two hours. A sudden rain storm, accompanied by light hail, lightning and thunder hit the area about 7 p. m. Tuesday.

Rain throughout much of the night turned to snow early Wednesday morning. Snow continued to fall through most of the day, ending about 4:30 Wednesday afternoon. Cooler temperatures are predicted for the Easter week end.

The Plattsmouth Business Women's Club met at the Solomon Coffee Shop Tuesday evening for their regular meeting. There were 12 members present and one guest, Dee Mendenhall. Emil Weyrich showed travelogue pictures for the group.

Precautions Taken To Protect Water System From Flood

Mrs. Piersol, 81, Eagle Resident 36 Years, Dies

Mrs. Ella Jene Miller Piersol, native of Lee county, Illinois, died at her home in Eagle on March 29, 1952. She was 81 years old.

Born May 16, 1870, in Illinois, she had been a resident of the Eagle community for many years.

With her parents, Jacob and Lydia Miller, she came from Illinois in a covered wagon. Her parents homesteaded near Geneva.

On March 2, 1892, she was married to Lewis W. Piersol. In 1915, they, with their family, moved to Eagle where they had resided since that time. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1942. Her husband died March 27, 1950. One son, Roy, and an infant daughter also preceded her in death.

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Burial was in Eagle cemetery.

First Precincts In Field Monday For Equalization

Compilation of data on first six Cass county precincts will go into the field for processing within the next few days, according to E. T. Wilkinson and Associates, of Lincoln, who are in charge of the equalization program for the area.

Mr. Wilkinson, in the city on Monday, took the cards for Tip-ton, Greenwood, Salt Creek, Stove Creek, Elmwood and South Bend precincts on the return trip to Lincoln and indicated the work of compiling actual values of real property would get underway there soon.

Compiling data and processing cards is expected to take the better part of the balance of 1952. It is expected the program can be completed in order that all valuations in the county can be equalized in time for the 1953 tax schedules.

Two Cars Heavily Damaged In Crash

Two cars were extensively damaged and a third involved in a three-car collision six miles west of Union on highway 34 Wednesday morning.

Sheriff Tom Solomon reported that cars involved were driven by John E. Curtiss of Lincoln, who was en route to Plattsmouth to address Boys' and Girls' county government officials; Nolan Hottle, Elmwood farmer, and Robert Nickels, Murray farmer.

Solomon said that Curtiss had stopped his car to clean the windshield and that Hottle had stopped just behind him, when the third vehicle, driven by Nickels, collided with the rear of Hottle's car. Damage to the vehicles was estimated at \$600.

Engineers Move To Richey Lumber Yard

Army Engineers stationed at Plattsmouth moved their headquarters to the former Richey Lumber Yard grounds here on Tuesday after flooding Missouri river waters forced abandonment of their office at the docks east of the city.

They will use the office building for headquarters and the grounds for pooling vehicles for the duration of the flooding period.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Feldhausen attended the Nebraska Pharmaceutical convention in Omaha this week.

Warn Motorists

Both Sheriff Solomon and U. S. Engineers have requested the Journal to warn motorists to stay clear of the river road east of the Burlington underpass during this emergency flood period.

Traffic congestion is seriously hindering work of both city and government in their attempts to bolster dikes and construct retainer walls.

Tribute To Dr. McClusky Paid By Rotary Club

A memorial tribute was paid to Dr. H. G. McClusky, former pastor of the Presbyterian church here, at the Tuesday noon session of Plattsmouth Rotary Club.

Rev. Harold V. Mitchell gave the short tribute in honor of the former Plattsmouth Rotarian. Rev. Mitchell described Dr. McClusky as the type of man "I would like to be." He cited him for his high ethical standards and for his relationship with all churches.

Rotarians also were reminded that "what you don't know might hurt you." The reminder was provided by Rev. M. L. Shafer of Mynard, who was principal speaker on Rotarian Walter Gleason's program. Rev. Shafer referring his discussion to Holy Week, which is observed this week, cautions Rotarians to learn as much as possible about a multitude of things, or "what they don't know might hurt them."

Lawrence Capistran was a guest of Clement Woster at the Tuesday noon session. Capistran is from LaVerne, Minnesota. Dr. L. S. Pucelik presided at the meeting.

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G. R. Binger Dies In Lincoln Hospital

G. R. Binger, longtime Cass county resident and a business man in Weeping Water for the past 34 years, passed away at a Lincoln hospital about 3 p. m. Wednesday afternoon following a short illness.

Funeral services will be held at Weeping Water from the Congregational church on Monday, April 14, 1952, with the Hobson Funeral Home in charge.

Burial will be in Wilber, Neb., his former home.

UNDERGOES SURGERY

Mrs. Harold Hickman of Lincoln, formerly of Plattsmouth, underwent surgery at the St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha on April 12.

\$85 Will Be Dispersed At Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Egg hunt, sponsored by the retail division of the Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce, will be held Saturday morning regardless of the weather conditions, according to Mrs. Zulemma Dye, chairman of the hunt.

Mrs. Dye said that the Chamber office has received weather reports for Saturday, and that fair weather was promised for the event. Hail, rain, sleet, snow or earthquakes will not stop the egg hunt, however, the weather could have an effect on the playing of the band. If the weatherman is mistaken, which is very seldom, then the hunt will start at 10:00 a. m. at the city park without the preliminaries in the downtown area of Plattsmouth.

The Chamber of Commerce office has secured the services of the Easter Bunny at Offutt Air Base. Bunny will arrive in Plattsmouth at 10:00 a. m. on Saturday in time for the festivities prior to the hunt, and

Cooperating with the city in the venture are the Corps of Engineers at Plattsmouth under the direction of C. J. White; the Plattsmouth street and public works departments; Organized Reserve Corps commanded by Cecil Karr; and the Civil Defense administration.

Mayor Clement Woster, who acknowledged that the water works may be in danger if the expected high waters materialize, said that precautionary measures were inaugurated Tuesday night and will continue until the plant appears to be out of danger or until workers are forced to stop.

Although the anticipated crest is not expected here for another week, indications are that it will exceed the depth of the 1943 flood, which did not harm the water plant. Engineer reports say that the flood will be the worst in history. The water department plant, located in the same area since 1870, has never been hit by flood waters. Mayor Clement Woster said. Bad road conditions leading to the plant may cause some inconvenience to workers, according to the Mayor.

Meanwhile the Civil Defense administration, headed by Sheriff Tom Solomon, and the Plattsmouth Rescue squad are preparing for whatever may occur. A meeting of the rescue squad was held Wednesday night.

Although no families in the immediate Plattsmouth area are threatened by the flood waters, the squad will be on call at any time until the danger passes. Sheriff Solomon advises that anyone in distress should contact the squad through his office.

Meanwhile the Corps of Engineers has started rescue operations. In addition to rescuing a woman and invalid child near Manawa, Ia., yesterday, the engineers have prepared their barge for removing livestock from isolated islands along the Missouri. Some two to three hundred cattle are reported marooned on the islands. The engineers have set up headquarters at the E. J. Richey Lumber Yard.

Damage is expected primarily on the Iowa side of the river in this area, although Cass county bottomlands will be under water.

Peace-time value of strategic reconnaissance is being proved in the flood Missouri river valley by photos taken by planes of the Strategic Air Command. The method will replace the old method of interviewing farmers after the flood passed. The photos will be used by the Corps of Engineers for study.

The "next war" has, for many years, been the one which would end the world.

Business places participating in the hunt are Pat's Cafe, Wimpy's Inn, Chriswiser's, Feldhausen Drug, George Conis, Rosey's Barber Shop, Lugsch Cleaners and Laundry, Plattsmouth Cleaners and Laundry. (Continued on Page 4)