

Search For Boy 'Kidnaped' Here Still Going On

Local law enforcement officials in cooperation with Omaha detectives are still seeking a San Francisco mother who disappeared Friday after "kidnaping" Allen James Holoubek from his grandmother's home here.

Christmas Seal Sale Nears End; Under Year Ago

The Christmas seal sale in Cass county is scheduled to come to a close on Christmas Day, just three weeks after it opened on December 4. And, according to Miss Mildred Hall, chairman of the Cass County Health and Tuberculosis Association, returns are far below anticipation and below a year ago.

With only three days remaining, Miss Hall is hoping that renewed effort will be made by countians to send their contributions to the Christmas Seal fund as soon as possible, preferably before Christmas.

Some three thousand countians received letters containing Christmas seals nearly three weeks ago and less than one-fifth of these have been returned to the local committee. Sponsors however hope for increased returns during the next few days so that they may complete the campaign as soon as possible.

Funds from the sale of Christmas Seals are mostly used in the state. Only six per cent go to national headquarters for use in research and for special purposes. Otherwise funds are used for hospital care, X-rays and for other controls and preventatives for tubercular patients.

Surveys show that 115,000 Americans will acquire tuberculosis during the coming year. Fortunately, although there are no early symptoms, early diagnosis by means of a chest X-ray. Such an X-ray survey was conducted in Cass county less than two years ago.

Support of the chest X-ray program is easy — just buy and use Christmas Seals.

Cass Bond Sales Total \$22,443 During November

Defense Bond sales in Cass County for November totaled \$22,443, according to Walter H. Smith, County Chairman for the bond program.

Sales for Nebraska during the month amounted to \$3,706,295.38. It was announced by Leland R. Hall, State Director. Individuals purchased \$3,196,687.34 series E and H bonds or 86% of the state total.

The many volunteers serving the program in Nebraska can well be proud of the improvement in sales for 1952. Through the efforts of these volunteers, the state's residents have increased their personal security and, at the same time, assisted the Treasury in management of the public debt.

By selling a substantial volume of these riskless securities, we strengthen our national economy, reduce inflationary pressures, create a backlog of purchasing power for future prosperity, promote thrift and aid in the financing of our defense efforts.

Miss Kathleen Feldhausen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Feldhausen arrived home during the past week to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents. She is a student at St. Scholastica college at Atchison, Kansas.

Lady Dies After Exposure to Ice, Snow Friday Night

All-night exposure after falling into a ditch in back of her house late Friday night, apparently caused the death of Mrs. Ida Schlieske of Plattsmouth.

Mrs. Schlieske was found in the ditch about eight o'clock Saturday morning by her son, Fritz, after she had apparently spent the night in the icy cold.

Mrs. Schlieske had probably left the house and slipped into the ditch on the ice. Her calls for help were apparently too weak to be heard by neighbors. Her eyesight was known to be bad.

Deputy Sheriff Charles Land and County Attorney Richard Peck were called to the scene shortly after her lifeless body had been discovered by her son.

A native of Germany, where she was born at Limbach, Mrs. Schlieske came to the United States in 1900 and in 1901 was married at Plattsmouth to Ludwig A. Schlieske. He died in 1943. She was a member of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed church.

Surviving are four sons, Edward of Lincoln, Fritz and Otto of Plattsmouth, and a daughter, Enelwood, California. One son, Richard, died in July 1948.

Services will be held at the Sattler Funeral Home at Plattsmouth with Rev. G. E. Seybold officiating. Visiting hours will be held Monday night from 6 to 9 p. m. Services will be held on Tuesday at two o'clock.

Burial will be at Oak Hill cemetery.

Congressman Hruska Is Plattsmouth Visitor

Roman Hruska, congressman elect from the second district of Nebraska, was a visitor in Plattsmouth last week.

Hruska will succeed Congressman Howard Buffett as Cass county representative to Congress during the coming congressional session.

Five Masonic Degrees Given

Lt. Harry Tincher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tincher of Plattsmouth, currently on furlough, received three degrees during Plattsmouth Lodge Number 6, A. F. and A. M. sessions last week.

Wednesday evening the entered apprentice and fellowcraft degrees were conferred by Warren Rhylander and Marion Reed, and the following night, Henry Nolting conferred the Master Mason degree.

Degrees were also conferred upon Harold Rains and Charles Stebbins by Maynard Ramze and Warren Rhylander.

New Sign Atop Consumers Office

Placed in operation atop the entrance to Consumers Public Power office here last week was a large neon sign, another mark in Plattsmouth's extension downtown improvements. The large sign replaces a white on black sign inscribed "Consumers Public Power."

COURTHOUSE TO CLOSE

Offices in the Cass county courthouse at Plattsmouth will close at noon Wednesday, December 24, and will remain closed throughout Christmas. Offices will be open again for regular business hours on Friday, December 26.

Morrison Leaves For Colorado

A-1c Bill Morrison, who recently arrived from Korea, and who has been a guest of his mother, Mrs. Lee Eastridge and Mr. Eastridge, departed Thursday for Colorado Springs where he will visit his wife before returning to duty.

Willard Gunsolly arrived here Sunday to spend the Christmas and New Year holidays at the home of his parents. He is stationed at San Diego.

Burton Gleason, student at Iowa State College at Ames, is in Plattsmouth to spend the holiday vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gleason.

Annual Christmas Greeting Addition Appears Wednesday

The Journal's annual Christmas edition will be printed Wednesday afternoon of this week to be distributed to most subscribers Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. This edition will carry greetings and good cheer from business people of Plattsmouth and Cass County to their thousands of customers and friends in this area.

Every effort is being made to contact all merchants wishing to use this method of reaching their customers. However, it is possible to overlook contacting some in the rush to meet deadlines. Just phone 241 if you have not been reached.

Mostly that he'll no longer be connected with Consumers Public Power District. For Mr. Elliott explains today that, "I'll play around a little at the radio shop" operated by his son, John.

Mr. Elliott will be 66 years young come May 26, 1953. He and Mrs. Elliott reside at 706 North Ninth street here in Plattsmouth.

The Elliotts have three children, Mrs. Warren Taylor of Plattsmouth, Mrs. Harvey Behrens of Colorado Springs, Colo., and John of Plattsmouth.

Mr. Elliott received recognition from the company this week in the Consumers Public Power District news letter published by the company. The magazine article cited the Plattsmouth man for his 36 years of being on the same job, a record difficult for anyone to match.

Fred Rea, manager of the district office for Consumers, said today that no successor for Mr. Elliott has been selected as yet.

Citing Elliott for long, faithful service to the company, Mr. Rea recalled that in the days of the old gas stove, Elmer was on every woman's list. He was the only man that they would let adjust the stoves, Rea recalled.

Schools To Spend \$426,000 In Tax Funds This Year

Eleven Cass county communities, providing high school education in public school systems, will take \$426,666 in tax funds for the current school year, according to figures compiled from the Nebraska Educational Directory, published by the State Department of Public Instruction under the supervision of State Superintendent F. B. Decker.

One fourth of the total school tax dollar will be raised in Plattsmouth, while the other ten county communities will raise the other three fourths.

Alvo, Avoca, Eagle, Elmwood, Greenwood, Louisville, Murdock, Nehawka, Union and Weeping Water will combined, spend \$318,652 in tax money for education during the current school year. At Plattsmouth \$108,014 will be required in school tax funds.

Tax funds sought by each school are based on the school levies in each district on the basis of the total assessed valuation of the district. By communities the county school districts will spend:

Alvo, \$27,963; Avoca, \$18,306; Eagle, \$2,033; Elmwood, \$23,989; Greenwood, \$19,047; Louisville, \$47,225; Murdock, \$38,808; Nehawka, \$33,551; Union, \$14,107; Weeping Water, \$43,621.

Bulk of the money will naturally go for teachers' salaries. The 135 Cass county teachers in the eleven communities will receive \$355,636 in salaries during the current school year, according to average salaries in high school and elementary departments.

The highest average elementary salary, \$2,738, is paid at Nehawka, while the top high school salary is paid at Alvo, where high school teachers receive \$3450 a year. Nehawka places second in the high school bracket at \$3,333. Low elementary salary is paid at Union and Greenwood, each \$2,000 per year average.

Salaries paid in the different schools are:

School	ELE.	HS
Alvo	\$2110	\$3450
Avoca	2400	3015
Eagle	2152	3300
Elmwood	2167	3167
Greenwood	2000	2550
Louisville	2300	3233
Murdock	2050	2900
Nehawka	2738	3333
Plattsmouth	2544	3277
Union	2000	2850
Weeping Water	2052	3080

Teachers employed in the schools are:

School	ELE.	HS
Alvo	5	3
Avoca	2	3
Eagle	5	6
Elmwood	5	4
Greenwood	3	3
Louisville	7	7
Murdock	5	4
Nehawka	4	4
Plattsmouth	24	17
Union	3	3
Weeping Water	9	6
Total	75	60

William Cornell Dies Thursday At Nehawka

Funeral services were held at Porter Funeral Home at Nehawka City today for William S. Cornell, retired farmer who died at Nehawka Thursday morning.

Mr. Cornell, 83, died about ten o'clock Thursday morning. He had resided in Cass county most of the past 30 years. Mr. Cornell was a retired farmer.

A native of Ohio, where he was born on January 12, 1869, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Cornell, he had resided in the Cass county vicinity since 1924.

He was married in 1887 at Falls City to Zilida Packett. Following her death, he was married to Matilda Walters Foster at Hiawatha, Kansas in 1909. He was the father of eight children, six by his first wife.

Surviving are five sons, Carl of Rolla, Mo., Elmer of St. Joseph, Mo., Lee of Norfolk, Calif., Orville of Port Arthur, Texas, and Richard of Plattsmouth, and two daughters, Mrs. Goldie Ehlers of Kimball, South Dakota, and Miss Pearl Cornell of Ukiah, Calif.

Also surviving are two grandchildren, Mrs. Albert Warden of Nehawka, who was reared by Mr. and Mrs. Cornell; 26 great grandchildren; two brothers, Bert of Beatrice and Charles of Sloux City; and two sisters, Mrs. Rose Frakes of Dawson, and Mrs. Nellie Johnson of Florida.

Also preceding him in death was one son, Virgil.

Rev. Donald McQuinn officiated at the final rites and burial was at Camp Creek cemetery southeast of Nebraska City.

Man Is Fined \$10 on Each of Four Counts in County Court Monday

Russell Arnold was fined a total of \$40 and costs in county court Monday morning on four charges growing out of a disturbance Saturday night.

Arnold pleaded guilty to charges of intoxication, resisting arrest, disturbing the peace and assault. Judge Raymond J. Case fined him \$10 on each count, plus court costs.

Several Attend Funeral At Lincoln

Several from Alvo attended the funeral at Lincoln of Mr. Floyd Diegerson Friday. The Diegersons were former residents of Alvo. Mr. Diegerson owned the store where Mr. Elmer Rosenou is now located.

Home for the holidays from Doane college at Crete is Mrs. Barbara Aikire daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Aikire.

Christmas guests at the home of Mrs. C. J. Baumgart will be Mr. and Mrs. Herb Baumgart and children, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Sedak and daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Helm.

The postponed Christmas party of Bud of Promise Rebekah lodge will be held tonight, Monday, December 22, at the IOOF hall at eight o'clock.

Mrs. Fred Wynn and Mrs. Louis Keil departed on Thursday for Los Angeles where they will visit at the home of relatives and old friends.

J. R. Mayfield of Louisville was in Plattsmouth on business Wednesday.

Shoppers Have Last Chance To Buy Christmas Gifts

Plattsmouth retailers will remain open evenings tonight and again Tuesday night to enable shoppers to pick up those last minute Christmas gifts and to purchase all necessary ingredients for the holiday table.

Stores will remain open until 9 p. m. both nights but will close at five o'clock Wednesday, to enable merchants and store employees to participate in Christmas activities. Grocery stores, however, will be open until 6 p. m. Wednesday.

Most retail stores in the city will be closed all day Thursday, Christmas day.

John Conis Receives Degree

John Conis, son of George Conis of Plattsmouth, was one of 251 students on whom degrees were conferred by Iowa State College at graduation exercises held Friday.

Dr. Charles E. Friley, president of the college, addressed the group and presented the diplomas in ceremonies which marked the end of the fall quarter at the college.

Conis received a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering. A graduate of Plattsmouth high school, he plans to take a position with the Wisconsin State Highway Commission at Lancaster, Wisconsin.

Ice Causes Car To Roll In Ditch

Stuart P. Benson of Peru escaped injury Saturday evening when his car went out of control on highway 73-75 and rolled over in a ditch.

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Timely Circulars Available From Extension Service

Described below are recent or timely publications of the University of Nebraska Agricultural Extension Service. Single copies can be obtained without charge from county agricultural agents.

No. 1550 (Revised). Equipment Methods and Materials for Spraying Livestock by Robert W. Helm. This newly revised circular suggests types of spray pumps, chutes and corrals, and various methods of applying spray to cattle, sheep and hogs.

No. 1562. Rat Control on Nebraska Farms, by Robert W. Helm. Describes an economical method of killing rats on the farm.

No. 1565. Cockroaches or Waterbugs, by Robert W. Helm. Describes the appearance and habits of three kinds of cockroaches (American, Oriental and German) and gives control measures.

No. 1703 (Revised). Tree Identification Manual, by Earl G. Maxwell. Describes and illustrates the leaf, winter twig and fruit of 38 species found in Nebraska.

No. 9919. Candies Old and New by Mabel Doremus. Discusses principles of candy making, includes a temperature and test chart for sirup and candies, and gives 25 recipes for Christmas confections.

No. 9993. Let's Talk Turkey, by Josephine E. Brooks. How to prepare the turkey for your holiday table.

Richard Rea of San Antonio, Texas, arrived Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Rea, and with his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rea.

Leo Switzer, 70, Lifelong Nehawka Farmer, Is Dead

Leo Switzer, prominent Nehawka farmer, and a lifelong resident of the community, died at his home about nine o'clock Thursday night, December 18, 1952, following a heart attack. He was 70 years old.

Born on a homestead southwest of Nehawka on June 8, 1882, Mr. Switzer was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Switzer, pioneer settlers of the Nehawka community. He was married on March 23, 1910 to Bertha Schomker at Omaha.

Mr. Switzer had farmed in the Nehawka community throughout most of his lifetime, which was spent in the Nehawka area. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Surviving are a son, Wildon of Nehawka; two brothers, Delbert of Nehawka and Chalmers of Minden; two grandchildren; and a daughter-in-law.

His wife died in April of 1951. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Methodist church at Nehawka with Rev. Fred Gardner officiating. Casket bearers were George Sheldon, Frank Lemon, Arthur Wolph, Chester Stone, Melvin Surry and Alpha Bell. Burial was in Mt. Pleasant cemetery with Hobson Funeral home of Weeping Water in charge of arrangements.

The family requested no flowers at the funeral but asked that contributions be made to Children's Memorial hospital or to some charity.

Air Force Man Will Talk to Wife, Child Here

Air Force Staff Sgt. Donald Seeba, stationed in Tokyo, will speak to his wife and son, Terry, at Plattsmouth by long distance telephone in a special Christmas Day nationwide hook-up to be heard over station KBON.

He'll also get to talk to his mother-in-law, Mrs. John Alexen. All reside at 1205 Avenue D.

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Murdock Volunteer Firemen extinguished the flame but heavy loss was already recorded. Meisger had been at the workshop about an hour before the explosion occurred.

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A business visitor in Plattsmouth Thursday was Emil H. Holke of Elmwood.

Christmas Eve Programs Mark Weeks Activities

Hundreds of local residents united in one spiritual interest Sunday night in attending special Christmas season activities in local churches. Cantatas, family night activities, Sunday school and youth programs, and special Yule services were among activities in the local churches.

Other activities however are planned throughout the early part of the week through Christmas day. Monday night, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day functions are on the Christmas calendar in local churches.

Sunday night activities include cantatas at both the First Methodist and First Christian churches, while at the First Lutheran church, the Sunday school department presented its annual Christmas program. An afternoon vesper service conducted by the choir featured activities at the Presbyterian church.

At Holy Rosary church, adults and youngsters joined together for a turkey dinner and a social evening. Group singing, special Christmas movies and treats for the youngsters featured post-dinner activities.

St. Luke's Episcopal church school presented its pageant Sunday night with special music being furnished by the children's choir while the new organ was in use for the special Christmas program at United Presbyterian church at Murray.

The Murray church will open this week's Christmas activities tonight when its annual children's program is held. The program will be given tonight at 7:30 at the church.

Other Christmas activities will be held Christmas Eve and Christmas Day in other local churches. The schedule includes: Annual Christmas programs are planned Christmas Eve at First Christian church, First Methodist church, First Presbyterian church, St. Paul's Evangelical and Immanuel Lutheran church, while special Christmas observances are on tap at Holy Rosary and St. John's Catholic churches and at St. Luke's Episcopal church.

Midnight mass will be held Christmas eve at Holy Rosary church with Christmas Day masses at 8 and 9 a. m.

Caroling will precede midnight mass at St. John's with masses Christmas Day at 8 and 10 a. m. The confession schedule at St. John's is 4 to 5 and 7:30 to 8:30 p. m. Monday and Tuesday and 2 to 5:30 p. m. Wednesday. No confessions of Christmas eve.

The festive midnight Eucharist will be celebrated at 11:30 Christmas eve at St. Luke's Episcopal church. No Christmas day services are planned.

Christmas day services will be held however at Christ Lutheran church on the Plattsmouth-Louisville road and at Immanuel Lutheran church southwest of Louisville at 10:30 a. m.

A special Christmas Day observance will be held at 11 a. m. at the Masonic Hall in Plattsmouth.

A program by the children and young people of Wesleyan Methodist church will be presented Tuesday night at 7:30. Featured on the program will be singing, poems and a pantomime. Treats will also be distributed.

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Final Rites Held Saturday for Mrs. Shrader, 70

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at Caldwell-Linder Funeral Chapel for Mrs. Bertha Long Shrader, Murray native who died at Overland Park, Kansas, last Tuesday.

Rev. Val Johnson of Murray officiated at the final rites. Miss Lois Sporer, Mrs. Eugene Gruber, Louis Sack and Louis Rogers sang, accompanied by Miss Ruth Sporer. Casketbearers were Greeley Bell, Roy Christwiser, Gerold Schrader, Frank Dill, A. W. Leonard and Myron Reese. Interment was in Oak Hill cemetery.

Born at Murray on October 23, 1882, Mrs. Shrader was the daughter of the late Henry C. and Ella Long. She was reared in the Murray community and in 1929 was married to Robert M. Shrader at Murray. Mr. Shrader died in 1928.

In addition to residing at Murray, Mrs. Shrader had lived at Omaha and for 12 years lived at Long Beach, Calif., where she was a member of the Christian church. She had been in Kansas in recent years and died following an illness of several years. She was 70 years old.

However, Mrs. Shrader had been a frequent guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. George Nickles, at Murray.

Surviving are a son, Henry C. Shrader of Omaha; a daughter, Mrs. Clifford Wilson of Overland Park, Kansas; a sister, Mrs. George Nickles of Murray; a granddaughter, Mrs. Lester Boyer of Kansas; and a great-grandchild.

Burial was in Oak Hill cemetery at Plattsmouth with Caldwell-Linder Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Roads Good--for Ice Skating--But Driving Perilous

"Roads are ideal", Patrolman Stewart Halpin said this morning, "for ice skating and sledding." But they are dangerous for driving.

Several inches of snow, which policemen report started falling about 2 a. m. Monday, on top of a slick coating of ice make driving especially dangerous. Walks throughout much of the city are equally as slippery.

Extreme caution is advised in holiday driving, since there is little hope that roads will be 100 percent improved by the time Christmas holiday drivers take to the road.

Meanwhile, no damage from the ice and snow have been reported by utilities here. Both F. I. Rea, manager of Consumers Public Power District office, and E. A. Ernst, Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph district manager, reported no damage or interruptions due to the storm.

Murray Man Pleads Guilty To Non-Support Charge

Perry Maggard of Murray pleaded guilty in county court Friday morning to a charge of failure to support his wife and children.

Judge Raymond J. Case set bond at \$1,000, and Maggard is being held in county jail to await hearing in district court.

Court House

License for marriage was issued to Arian G. Maquire, 18, of Omaha and Betty R. Koehler, 16, also of Omaha.

Marriage license has been issued in county court to Earl Bruce Woodman, 23, of Omaha, and Norma Jean Ahl, 23, of Louisville.

License for marriage was issued in county court to Wesley C. Smith, 21, of Redmond, Calif., and Evanda F. Miyeno.

Petition for administration of the estate of Carl Compton has been filed in county court by Harold C. Elliott. The petition asks that Bartley John Compton be appointed administrator.

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