

Court Action Asks Smith Pay Dist. 70 Teacher

The controversy in school district No. 70 continued to boil as a mandamus action was filed in district court last week trying to get school teacher Ruth Beck paid for her services there.

In "State of Nebraska, ex rel Frank E. Stander and Leo E. Erhart, vs. Clyde Smith," the court is asked to direct Smith to sign an order allowing Erhart to pay the teacher \$285 for one month of teaching. Smith, as secretary, must execute the order before Erhart, the treasurer, can pay Miss Beck. Stander is school board president.

One Youth Hurt In Car Accident Sunday Night

High school student Mike Shellenbarger, son of Mr. and Clair Shellenbarger, suffered skull injuries and friends escaped injury in a one-car accident Sunday night south-west of Mynard.

Terry Ernst was driver of the car in which the three boys and girls were returning from a hayride party at the farm home of Roger Hild. Ernst said the country road was so dusty that he got off the side of the road, hit a mail box and turned over. The accident happened about 9:30 p. m., three miles west and one-half mile south of Mynard.

Shellenbarger was taken to an Omaha hospital where it was found he had suffered a near scalp laceration when he passed through the windshield of the car, a Journal reporter was told. Some three hours on the operating table and hundreds of stitches were necessary. Latest reports are that he is undergoing x-ray explorations today in a search for possible skull fractures.

Also in the car were Donna Ernst, Stanley Seybold, Gall Peterson and Rosemary Nelson. The car, a 1950 Ford, was practically demolished.

Toman Services In Holy Rosary This Thursday

Funeral services for John J. Toman Sr., who died this morning in St. Joseph's hospital, Omaha, will be at 9 a. m. Thursday in Holy Rosary church, Rev. Joseph Tupy officiating. Burial will be in Holy Sepulcher cemetery.

Mr. Toman, 76, was born in Plattsmouth Oct. 10, 1878, and lived here all his life, farming west of Mynard.

He was married May 10, 1903 to Mary T. Severin, who survives. Other survivors are five sons, George J. of Omaha, Milton M. of Murray, and Arthur H. John S. and David M. of Plattsmouth, a daughter, Mrs. Dorothea Reeves of Omaha; a brother Julius of California and 12 grandchildren. He was a member of the Holy Rosary church.

Rosary will be Wednesday at 7 p. m. in Caldwell-Linder chapel, and visiting hours Wednesday from 4-6 and 7-9 p. m. in the chapel.

Narcotics Hearing Set in Lancaster

Cora Lea Nolte, 30, of Plattsmouth has pleaded not guilty to a charge of obtaining narcotic drugs by fraud, and preliminary hearing is set for Oct. 30 in Lancaster county court.

Bond was set at \$3,500 for Mrs. Nolte, arrested last week by Cass county Sheriff Tom Solomon on charges of obtaining drugs Oct. 8.

In his complaint chief deputy county attorney Elmer M. Scheele of Lancaster county says Mrs. Nolte has been convicted twice previously of violating state and federal narcotics acts. Penalty for third offense is a fine up to \$5,000 and prison term of 10 to 20 years.

PUNCTURE 69 TIRES — Three young boys, two of whom are 11 and one 10, confessed to carrying on an orgy of tire-puncturing, slashing 69 tires on 35 motor vehicles on September 7th. The boys were sent to a State training school pending psychological and sociological reports on them.

THE WEATHER
Compiled for the Journal at the Masonic Home Weather Station, Plattsmouth, Nebr.
Date: Oct. 14 17
High/Low Prec.
Thursday 72/38
Friday 58/42
Saturday 64/28
Sunday 66/38
Forecast: Little temperature change — High in the 60's.

Two-Car Wreck No Drivers In It

There were no drivers or passengers involved, but two cars were badly damaged in Plattsmouth Thursday afternoon.

A 1949 auto owned by Clement Woster, being repaired by Bryant Motors, was parked by the mechanic on Third avenue. The car somehow started rolling from its parking spot and crashed into a car owned by Leonard Born. The Born car then hit a tree.

No one was hurt, but several school children on the street got a scare.

Three Airmen Die in Crash of B-25 Bomber

Air Force investigators are searching the wreckage of a B-25 bomber from Offutt base which crashed into a hillside about 25 miles south of Plattsmouth at 2:45 p. m. Friday, killing instantly the crew of three.

The dead are: Pilot Major Joseph H. Tichenor, 32, who lived at Bellevue, survived by his widow and five children, his home town is Louisville, Ky.

Captain Truman G. Kolls, 36, of Omaha, survived by his widow and son. His home town is Rock Island, Ill. He was co-pilot.

Airman second class John E. Mindman, crew chief, from Butler, Penn.

A crowd of crash-rescue vehicles, ambulances, investigative personnel, police and spectators immediately rushed to the accident scene, which is on the Wilber Fey farm only a short distance from the Missouri river. Police and air force guards kept the spectators back while rescue workers covered the gasoline-drenched plane with CO-2 foam and cut one body from the wreckage.

There was no immediate indication as to what caused the crash, but the airplane evidently came into the ground at a very steep angle. Branches were broken from the top of a tree which was less than a hundred feet from the wreckage.

The plane was on a routine training mission. A World War II bomber, the B-25 is used mainly for training pilots in multi-engine flying, according to Offutt air base officials.

The plane came into view of the Fey farm from the north, went directly over the farm house at a very low altitude and crashed in the view of the Feys, who had rushed outside at the sound of the bomber's motors. Fey and his son, Wilbur Jr., rushed to the scene, but could do nothing for the men.

Services Wednesday For Ferdinand Duda

Funeral services for Ferdinand Duda, 77, of Omaha, former resident of Plattsmouth, will be at 9 a. m. Wednesday in the Holy Rosary church, Rev. Joseph Tupy officiating.

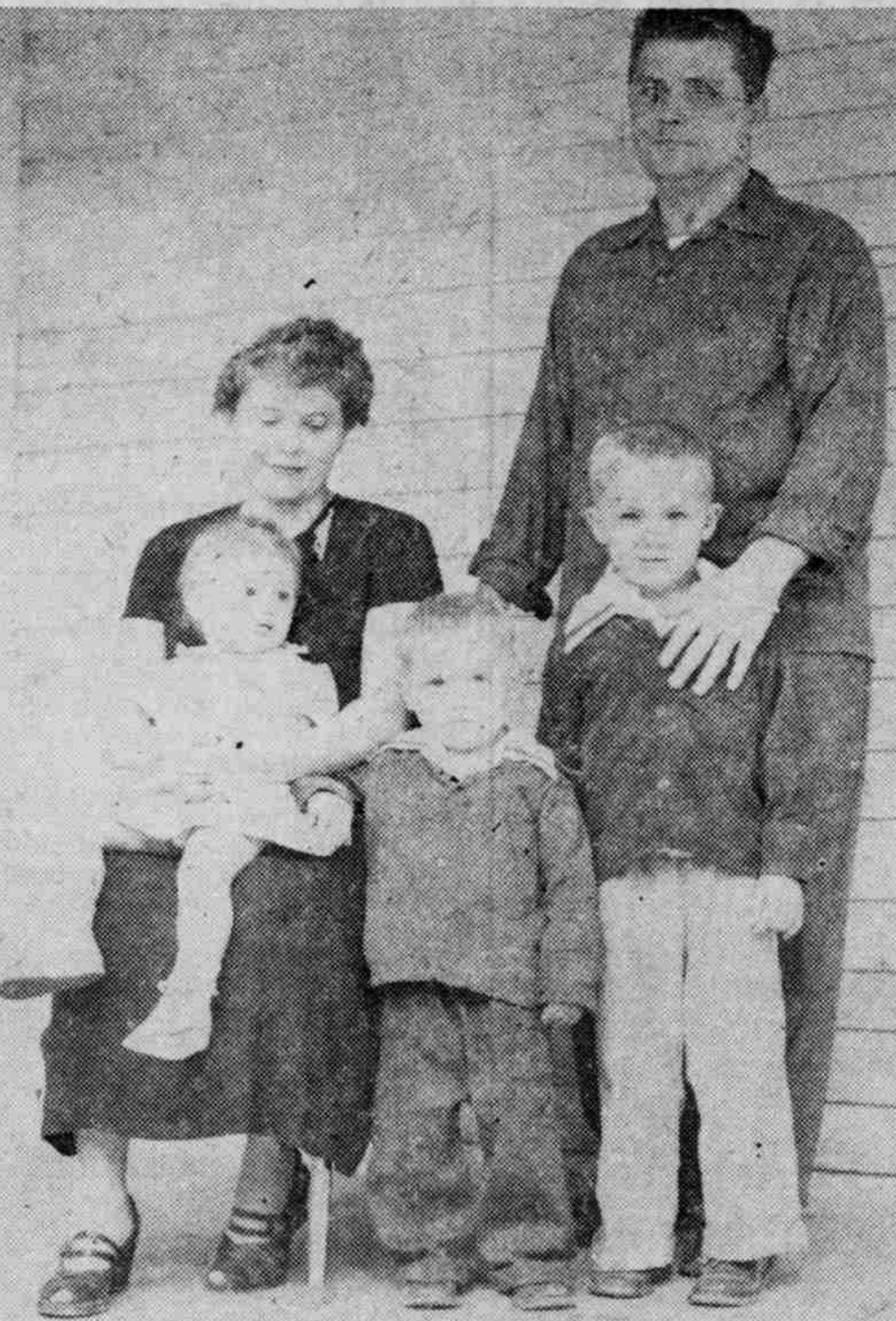
Visiting hours will be Tuesday afternoon 4-6 p. m. and evening 7-8 p. m. in Caldwell-Linder chapel. Burial will be in Holy Sepulcher cemetery.

Mr. Duda was born Jan. 19, 1877. He was married in 1901 to Anna Sedlak, in Cerma, Bohemia and they came to Plattsmouth. He worked in the B. R. E. X. shops before moving to Omaha 10 years ago after his retirement.

He was a member of the Holy Rosary church and the Z. C. B. J. lodge.

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Willie Simons Eye Fund Grows



The drive to raise money for Willie Simons' eyesight has gained considerable headway since its beginning and the total stands at \$400 now. Pictured above are Simons, his wife, who holds Patty Ann, David and Willie, Jr. Collections from the boxes put out in business houses by today totaled \$237.62, and the following additional donations have been recorded: V. F. W. Auxiliary, \$10; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Valley, \$2; D. M. Hiatt, \$3; Bob Hinz, \$1; Merl McCormick, \$1; Dr. L. A. Amato, \$10; Mrs. Bill Ryan, \$1; American Legion, \$10; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gradoville, \$2; Mrs. Gaylen Leach, \$1; Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Muncie, \$10; Rex Young, \$5; Harry Shifer, \$1; Mrs. Henry Jacobs, \$1; Mrs. Fred Hafke, \$1, and E. W. Schultz, \$100.—Journal photo.

Oilmen Pick Welshimer As Co. Chairman

C. E. Welshimer was elected chairman of the Cass county Oilmen's association at that group's meeting Thursday in Plattsmouth. Other members of the committee are Ray Story and Clarence Sjogren.

Members from throughout the county met to take part in a program designed to obtain public policies which are not only fair to oilmen, but to their customers and the public.

Primary targets for 1954-55, outlined at the meeting, include fair gasoline tax; protection of highway funds; repeal of federal gasoline tax; matching of road funds locally and promotion of highway safety.

"The question of highway development can be solved satisfactorily when road requirements are carefully balanced against the ability of the people to pay for them," C. Russell Lockwood, executive secretary of the Nebraska Petroleum Industries committee declared.

"We want good roads but we want customers too, and we can't let an excessive gasoline tax price our customers right

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School Merger Compromise Is Submitted

A compromise solution to the Nehawka school district merger plan has been submitted to the state school reorganization committee. The plan would allow for splitting of district 3 in Otoe county, taking the north half into the Nehawka district.

Original plans had called for including of all district 3, and the petitions were circulated and signed to that effect. However, several residents in the south half of the district objected, and a court suit was threatened.

An attorney representing the plan said the new plan would bring sufficient valuation (\$2,713,810) into Nehawka to proceed with new construction.

However, Robert and Stuart Schlichtemeier of Cass county district 15 objected that there won't be sufficient enrollment for college preparation courses to be offered.

Funeral in Idaho for Former Resident

Funeral services for Mrs. Armanda Crabtree, 88, who died Oct. 13, were held Saturday afternoon at Couer D'Alene, Idaho. She was born July 6, 1866, at Mendota, Illinois, daughter of Samuel and Orilla Fleming.

They came to Plattsmouth in 1875 and she was married to Silas Crabtree, who with two children preceded her in death. They have resided in Idaho for a number of years.

Surviving are her daughters, Mrs. Grace Zorns of Edmundton, Canada; Mrs. Fred Bailey, Couer D'Alene, Idaho; sons, Harold of Spokane, Washington; Ira of Pullman, Washington, and Jim of Couer D'Alene, Idaho.

A sister, Mrs. Jessie Porter of Plattsmouth, Nebr., and a number of grandchildren, nieces and nephews as well as other relatives and friends.

Pallbearers were grandsons of the deceased.

Scout Fund Drive Set This Thursday

The annual Boy Scout fund drive in Plattsmouth has been set for Oct. 21, according to Chairman Paul Fauquet.

Drive officials will meet in the Consumers public power office at 8 p. m. today to draw up some of the final plans for the drive.

The annual cleaning of Plattsmouth's fire hydrants will be this Thursday and Friday, according to Bob Cappell, manager of the board of public works.

State Group O. K.'s Plattsmouth Flood Control Application

George Reitter, Pioneer Banker, Dies in Eagle

EAGLE (Special) — George Reitter, Sr., 95, early banker in Eagle, died Thursday.

Born in Ottenheim, Baden, Germany, he came to Nebraska City at the age of 10. He moved to Eagle in 1875. In 1892, he was married to Lena Reid, who died 15 years ago.

He retired as a farmer in 1905 and was president of the Eagle bank until 1915. He was secretary of the Eagle telephone company 20 years ago and a member of the board of education 22 years. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran church.

Surviving are his sons, George, Jr., of Yuba City, Calif., Arthur of Rangoon, Burma; daughters, Mary Adams of Colusa, Calif., Matilda Lee of Los Angeles, Elizabeth Plymale of Millard, Freda and Caroline Reitter, both of Eagle; a sister, Mrs. Anna Roebenack of Alva, Okla., and 12 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Lee was here for her father's funeral. Other relatives from out of town were his sister, Mrs. Roebenack and Mrs. John Weebener, also of Alva, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Roebenack of Wichita, Kansas, Julius Haefner and Mrs. Adolph Yawart of Kensington, Kansas, H. C. Johnson, Mrs. Wm. Street and Mrs. Don Dox of Brule, Neb., Mrs. John Jacobson of Broken Bow, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Reed of Unadilla, C. W. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Reed of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ostrander of Syracuse.

Announce Payment Of Dividends to Farm Loan Owners

A 6 per cent dividend payment was announced by the Cass-Otoe National Farm Loan association of Weeping Water this week.

The cooperative credit organization's stockholders, nearly 250 farmers in Cass and Otoe counties, will receive checks totaling \$253. Harold C. Elliott, secretary-treasurer, reported.

The payment was made possible, he said, by a dividend which the association received from the Federal Land bank of Omaha. The Cass-Otoe association, owned entirely by local farmers, is one of the 173 National Farm Loan associations which own the capital stock of the Omaha Federal Land bank.

Directors of the association are Herman C. Kupke, Murdock, president; Clifford C. Cooper, Weeping Water, vice president; Nolan W. Hottle, Elmwood, Ivan G. Althouse, Waverly, and Marion R. Sisco, Otoe.

Betty Todd and Jim Graves Are H. S. Royalty

Betty Todd and Jim Graves were chosen queen and king of Plattsmouth high school homecoming Friday night, and reigned over the homecoming dance at the school.

Joann Egenberger was maid of honor and Don Conyers the co-captain for the Pep club-sponsored celebration.

The 1953 king and queen, Charles Kerns and JoAnn Albion, crowned the 1954 king and queen, Caroline Robinson read a commentary on the royalty and attendants as they marched into the colorfully-decorated gymnasium.

Attendants and their escorts were: Nola Weiss and Havelly Sayers; Shirley Story and J. D. Druker; Sally Quinnett and Grover Cundall, and Sharon Fleischman and Bob Carr.

Druliner Resigns As W. W. Mayor

Roger Druliner, successful write-in candidate for mayor of Weeping Water last April, has announced his resignation and said he and his family are moving to the West Coast early next month.

He will be replaced by Neil Munkres, president of the city council.

At its meeting Friday, the Nebraska watershed and flood control advisory committee unanimously recommended to Governor Robert Crosby that he approve Plattsmouth's application for watershed survey work and flood preventative measures.

Plattsmouth was the first Nebraska community to apply for aid under the new Hope-Aiken flood control act, and the first to have a field survey completed and a report made.

The 11-man state committee, only recently appointed by Gov. Crosby, elected Senator Otto Liebers of Lincoln as chairman during the meeting, which was its organizational get-together.

Band Parents Choose Heads For Next Year

Dr. A. L. Amato, long active in high school band affairs in Plattsmouth, was chosen to head the Band Parents Club as president for the year 1955 at their regular meeting last week. Dr. Amato will succeed Dean Dunham, who has served the past year.



Dr. A. L. Amato

Other officers elected included Vern Hendricks, vice-president, Mrs. J. Howard Davis, secretary and Mrs. Wm. Floyd, treasurer. Directors for 1954 elected were Paul Fauquet and Tom Grosshans.

For the first time since the erection of the new school building, members of the organization, met in the new band room. A good representation of membership was present to discuss problems facing this club that is greatly responsible for high school band activities and finance.

With Pres. Dunham presiding, reports were given of recent band activities including the Ak-Sar-Ben this year. One big problem facing the band is the matter of transportation, but no definite solution was reached. A vote of members ordered the placing of orders for new uniforms with style and color to remain as at present.

Plans for a new band stand in City Park for the year 1955 were earmarked for the one big project for the new year. Present facilities are inadequate and the stand in a deplorable and unsafe condition. It is hoped better facilities can be provided.

Claycomb Ready To Sail To Far East

Marine Pfc. Gerald B. Claycomb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd H. Claycomb of Greenwood, is scheduled to sail the middle of October for duty in the Far East after spending four weeks in the staging regiment at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

The staging regiment handles the last minute details in getting men ready for foreign duty. A Marine's few weeks in staging are filled with clothing and equipment inspections, refresher courses on weapons and physical conditioning.

Court House

Watson Bros., for overweight on capacity plates, was fined \$25 and costs.

James O'Donnell of Omaha, improper registration, was fined \$10 and costs.

In the matter of guardianship of Clara Helen Bailey, license was granted to sell real estate.

An appeal from appraisers report was filed by Charles R. and Edith Dyer et al vs. the City of Lincoln. The appraisers had allowed \$1,542 damages in condemnation proceedings in connection with a water pipeline.

The group was set up by Gov. Crosby to process applications for watershed aid. It will act in an advisory capacity until a permanent agency can be set up next year after legislature convenes.

Next stop for Plattsmouth's application, after its approval by Gov. Crosby, will be action by the secretary of agriculture.

The Hope-Aiken act authorizes him to provide federal participation in planning for approval of application by a watershed development upon governor or authorized agency.

Committee members said approval of Plattsmouth's application does not set up a priority on which watershed would be developed first. They said the watershed here happens to be the first on which a field report has been completed.

In Plattsmouth meanwhile, Paul Fauquet, long-time worker for a flood control program in the Plattsmouth watershed, Thursday afternoon was named chairman of a committee dedicated to push a survey and improvement of the watershed.

Howard Hinz was appointed chairman of the group.

Fauquet said after the meeting that the committee will act as a liaison between the city and the Soil Conservation Service, giving the community's ideas on the type of program needed here. The group will decide what type of flood the city wishes to guard against—one that may occur once in 10 years, or once in 50 or 100 years.

The committee, appointed by Mayor Leo Meisinger, also will be available to dig out information needed in connection with the city's application.

Part of the local committee last week met with a group of state officials who were here for a "windshield survey" of the Plattsmouth watershed. They discussed some of the history of past floods and preliminary ideas on work that should be done.

Two more names were added to the committee last week — George Jaeger and Gene Holmes, bringing the total to 13. Other members are Fauquet, Hinz, B. H. G. Eiting, Ray Story, Fred Lugsch, William Evers, Waldemar Soennichsen, C. E. Welshimer, William Swatek, Ron Furse and T. M. Pollock.

Price Support For Cass Corn \$1.58 a Bushel

Price support for the 1954 corn crop in Cass county is \$1.58 per bushel, the same as was originally announced in March.

Ivan G. Althouse, Chairman of the County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation committee, explains that the support figure is based on the national parity price of corn as of Sept. 15 which was \$1.80 per bushel. In Cass county, a commercial corn county, farmers may put their corn in approved storage and secure a loan on the stored corn at 90 percent of parity.

In commercial corn areas, farmers, to be eligible for corn price support, must be in compliance with the farm's corn acreage allotment.

To be eligible for price support, ear or shelled corn must grade No. 3 or better except that corn grading No. 4 because of test weight is also eligible for price support. The corn must be in adequate storage and must meet certain moisture requirements. In Cass county, corn with a moisture content of 20.5 percent or more is not eligible for a loan.

Price support is carried out through Commodity Credit Corporation loans and purchase agreements. These will be available to eligible growers through May 31, 1955 in most areas and will mature July 31, 1955.

A Classified Ad in The Journal costs as little as 35 cents