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School Patrons Ask Class Six School In Cass

Five persons from Cass county school district 17, Union, have asked that a class VI rural high school be set up in southeast Cass county to be between Union and Nehawka or centrally between Union, Nehawka and Murray.

At a called meeting of the Cass county committee for school re-organization, the plan was discussed and a hearing set for Nov. 8 at 7:30 p. m. in the county courtroom. The committee is inviting school board members from 15 districts in southeast Cass county, who will be asked to give their and the district's feelings on going into a new district with a centrally-located rural high school.

Ray Cook, chairman of the re-districting committee, presided at the Thursday meeting attended by about 15 persons from districts 15, 18, 19 and 56. A definition of a class VI school was read, and several questions as to procedure were asked.

Cook explained that according to the state attorney general, it can be stated on the district election ballot that the new school must be located outside the city limits of all cities and towns in the district. It had been feared that after voting to set up a class VI school, smaller districts could be out-voted and the school situated in another town.

Cook also explained that such a school need not fear being refused bus transportation, and that buses would operate exactly the same as for town schools.

The school board set-up was explained. For rural schools, there is a six-man board for the high schools, and separate boards for elementary schools operated by their own districts. On the six-man board, the county treasurer is an ex-officio member without a vote. To be worked out, after setting up the school district, is whether to have re-districting committees over both high school and grade schools, or separate superintendents.

The re-organization committee asked those at the Thursday meeting to talk to persons in the various districts and try to determine their feelings on a class VI school. It was decided to invite persons from the group of districts along the Missouri river, and see if they would like to join the larger district.

Invitations will be sent districts 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 56, 17, 38, 18, 19, 80, 26 and 103.

In their petition asking for the new district, the signers state: "We, legal voters in district 17, request the Cass county re-districting committee to call a meeting to set up tentative plans for a class VI rural high school in southeast Cass county, to be located outside the corporation limits of any city or village, preferable between Union and Nehawka or between Union, Nehawka and Murray. It should include districts 103, 17, 18, 19, 15 and any others interested." It was signed by George A. Stites, Donald J. Wolfe, Robert Lee Harrah, George R. Stine, president of district 17 board, and D. J. Meredith, secretary of the board.

Pick Closing Days For 1955 Holidays
The Chamber of Commerce retail committee has decided on six holiday closing days for 1955, New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July Fourth, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Holiday falling on Sunday will be observed by being closed the following Monday.

RESIDENCE SOLD
The C. J. (Butter) White residence has been sold to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Penton. The Pentons have moved into their new home at 709 Ave. E. Sale was made through Steve Davis, Realtor.

REAR END DAMAGE SUIT FILED HERE
A \$50,000 damage suit has been filed by Gladys Stover v. F. C. Tigner and Carl A. B. Swanson as the result of an auto accident March 16, 1954, on highway 73 at the Murray junction. She states that Tigner turned his car directly in front of one in which she was riding, and that Swanson, following Tigner, crashed into the wreckage.

FUNERAL FOR INFANT
Graveside services were Saturday morning in Oakhill cemetery for the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Myers.

Grandparents are Mrs. Dorace Myers of Plattsmouth and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Allen of Dunbar. Caldwell-Linder funeral home was in charge.

TRUCK DRIVER OK IN WRECK SATURDAY
A truck driver escaped injury Saturday when his truck left the road at Dead Man's curve in Plattsmouth and rolled over. The truck was a total loss.

The driver of the Micklin Home Improvement Co. truck said an approaching car forced his vehicle off the road.

REPORT LARGE SALE
More than 5,000 head were sold at the 10th annual Omaha feeder calf show and sale Friday, at which Rex Young and Ellis Lacy of Plattsmouth were auctioneers.

Top price was 42 cents during the sale, which began at 9 a. m. and was over at 5 p. m. Total sales were 5,303 head.

COURT HOUSE BRIEFS
Donald L. Ware of Gallup, N. M., no trip permit, was fined \$10 and costs.

Watson Bros. of Omaha, overweight on capacity plates, \$100 and costs.

Jim Scott of Shawnee, Kans., no trip permit, was fined \$10 and costs.

Dugdale Const. Co. of Omaha, overweight on capacity plates, \$25 and costs.

Paul W. Stinson of Omaha, overweight gross weight, was fined \$50 and costs.

Marriage license was issued Billy T. Graham, 20, of Lincoln air force base, and Gwendolyn Ann Gerbeling, 18, of Elmwood, William McKay, 53, and Agnes

Airplane Hunt For Burglars Is Unsuccessful

An airplane search of corn fields north of Murray Friday morning failed to locate three youths who may have broken into three Louisville business places Thursday night.

Taken was change from a cash register in the Ross Nichols grocery store, plus a ring; about \$12 in change from the Dumke-Stohlman lumber yards; and nothing from the Louisville elevator.

A car stolen in Omaha and recovered in Murray may have been used by the thieves. In Murray it ran out of gas, and three youths seen in the car tried to get gasoline. Unsuccessful, they started walking and later were seen about a mile north of Murray near highway 75. Sheriff Tom Solomon was summoned, but the boys apparently obtained a ride before he arrived.

A search of adjacent corn fields was made by pilot Jack Harris. Police officers also searched nearby barns.

Marshall Clyde Jackson told Solomon that he had checked the Louisville businesses about 2:30 a. m. and that everything was in order then.

At the Nichols grocery the intruders had fitted themselves with gloves from the shelves, apparently for use in their search.

S.C.S. Receives Application for Watershed Aid

A letter from D. A. Williams, administrator of the U. S. Soil Conservation service in Washington, D. C., has advised Mayor Leo R. Meisinger that his office has received Plattsmouth's application for assistance under the Hope-Aiken watershed control act.

Some delay in processing the application is expected, but Williams hopes it will be in the "near future" and "just as soon as final policies and procedures for administration of the act by the federal government is established."

The new act, which will provide federal funds for watershed and soil conservation work, was passed just this year and the Plattsmouth application is one of the first to be submitted. It was the first submitted in Nebraska, and the only one so far to be approved by the governor's new committee.

Large Attendance At Chevy Showing
About 1,500 persons attended the showing of the 1955 Chevrolet in Plattsmouth, according to spokesmen at Cass County Motor Co. Viewers showed much interest, and one salesman said "if we can't sell these cars, we might as well just quit."

Leon Elliott of Plattsmouth was awarded a prize during the showing, an electric frying pan.

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Planning to Attend Chamber Workshop

At least three Plattsmouth men plan to attend the Chamber of Commerce leaders workshop Nov. 15 in Columbia. They are John Soennichsen, Ed Ernst and Chuck Allen.

Allen, manager of the local Chamber, said he hopes at least a dozen men from here will attend the conference, which is for officers, committee chairmen, and other chamber leaders.

Registration will begin at 9 a. m., and the sessions at 9:30. Roundtable discussion topics include "Teamwork for Better Government," "Explaining Business Is Good Business," "More Sales, More Dollars, More Business For Your City," "Planning a Modern City" and "Education, an Investment in People."

Allen said transportation will be arranged for those attending the workshop.

Simons Is Given 1 in 30 Chance For New Sight

Willie Simons of Plattsmouth, for whom residents have been raising money to help restore his vision, was told by Dr. C. Kronfeld last week that there is but one chance in 30 that an operation will help him permanently.

Simons and Don Kellison returned by train from Chicago Friday night, and Simons is awaiting further word from Dr. Kronfeld and Dr. George T. Alliband of Omaha. Dr. Kronfeld said he will consider Simons' case for a couple days, then send what information he has to Dr. Alliband, who in turn will write Simons to help make up his mind whether or not to undertake the operation.

There is a chance, Dr. Kronfeld said, that Simons' vision can be partially restored. The operations almost certainly would enable him to see for a while, he said, but that ability may fade and die away in six to eight months. He pointed out that the discomfort during the three months of treatment, although there will be little actual pain, plus the expense and the possible added agony of going blind a second time, may not be worth the six months of partial vision. He left the decision up to Simons.

In turn, Simons says he is in a turmoil trying to decide whether to go ahead with the operation. A group of friends in Plattsmouth has been soliciting funds for expenses of examination and surgery, and Simons feels he is obligated to go ahead. On the other hand, he feels that if the operation fails it would be a waste of time and money, and those connected with the fund drive to help him decide.

In the event that Drs. Kronfeld and Alliband notify Simons that they hold some hope, and if he decides to go ahead, his name will be placed on a list for an eye in Chicago. When one becomes available, he will be telephoned, long-distance and must be in Chicago within 14 hours because eyes only last 72 hours and must be installed quickly. Another operation will be necessary to transplant tissue in an effort to get a good blood supply to the new eye. This part of the operation is the crucial one, because if a good blood supply can be attained, the operation should be successful.

Dr. Kronfeld said Simons should be able to count fingers at a distance of five feet after the operations, but that there is only one chance in 30 that the vision will last more than six to eight months.

The doctor, known throughout the country and world for his operations, said he would provide his services free and that he would see that hospital expenses are reduced. Main cost of the venture would be transportation, hospital costs, and use of equipment.

Another possible expense would be cost of the eye. Some donors ask money for their eyes, others give them free of charge.

Thiessen Completes Army Supply Course

Army Pvt. Gordon D. Thiessen, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Thiessen of South Bend, recently completed the supply course at the Eight Army Ordnance School in Seoul, Korea.

Thiessen, an assistant wrecker driver with the 24th division's 724th Ordnance Battalion, has been in the Far East since last August.

County Attorney
RICHARD PECK, Republican, will be seeking his second term. He served as county judge nearly two years before resigning in 1950 to run for county attorney. A graduate of the University of Nebraska law college in 1942, he served in Europe with the counter intelligence corps in World War II and set up law practice here in 1948. He is associated in law practice with James Begley.

County Treasurer
ALICE JAYNE GROSSHANS, Republican, has been employed in the treasurer's office 12 years, one year as clerk and 11 as deputy treasurer. She is a graduate of Plattsmouth high school and attended Nebraska Wesleyan at Lincoln. She was born in Sutton and came to Plattsmouth with her parents in 1939.

County Sheriff
ROY B. SHARP, Republican, is making his second try for the office, having been defeated four years ago. Sharp is a native of Missouri, and came to Plattsmouth in 1942 to work as a guard at the Martin bomber plant. He later went into business for himself and operated Sharp's auto service, a trucking

650 Attend 4-H Party for Achievement

The Weeping Water agricultural auditorium was completely packed with approximately 650 4-H members, parents, leaders and persons interested in 4-H Thursday for the 4-H achievement party. Folks who arrived after 8 p. m. found "standing room only."

Highlights of the program were: Jolene Spohn and Bill Jameson led the group in the "Pledge to the Flag," Thrifty Stitches, Plattsmouth, led the group in community singing. Janet Wright and Margie Wiesneth of Louisville pantomimed two songs, and an ironing demonstration was given by Gerald and Suzy Switzer of Nehawka. The Thrifty Stitches, dressed as scarecrows, performed a skit featuring tap dancing and singing. A film entitled "County Fair" was followed by a number of slides taken during 4-H activities in Cass county by the county extension agent Clarence Schmadeke.

In recognition for the wholehearted support given the 4-H program the following were honored: W. N. Sullivan, President of Cass County Livestock Feeders Association; Rex Young of Plattsmouth; Ellis Lacy of Avoca; N. W. McKee, president of K. K. K. K. K., Plattsmouth; Tom Stacey, president of Cass county Agricultural society, Weeping Water; C. J. Schneider, banker of Plattsmouth; and Carl Grosshans of Plattsmouth.

4-H boys and girls were awarded by county fair and Ben prize checks. Thirty-seven 4-Hers were awarded county medals.

Refreshments were served by the Weeping Water Community Club. Recreation consisted of musical games, led by Walter Schmidt, a member of the Nebraska University 4-H club.

County 4-H members for 1955 were elected. This body of 34 men and women, one man and one woman for each of the 17 precincts, will council with the extension agents in setting up the 1955 Cass county 4-H program. Announcement of the committee will be made after a canvass of the ballots is made.

First Snow Flurries Sunday and Today

With the first day of Winter still some weeks away, November bows in today with the hint of chilly weather during even the last two months of Autumn.

While the gauges have registered little or no precipitation, Plattsmouth residents recognized that white stuff flying through the air for what it was—snow.

The thermometers at the Masonic home also weren't misled and registered a cold 24 degrees Sunday night. High temperatures since last week have ranged from 64 to 53.

Forecasts call for snow flurries and colder temperatures.

Irvin Markland Dies Weeping Water Today

Irvin Markland, about 60, passed away suddenly about 9:00 a. m. this Monday morning at his home near Weeping Water of a heart condition.

Mr. Markland had made his home in Weeping Water for about 25 years where he operated a dairy until a few days ago when he disposed of the business due to ill health. He had also served on the school board of that district for several years.

He is survived by his wife, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Heebner of near Nehawka, and one daughter.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed at the time The Journal went to press.

Many Get A Look At New Pontiacs

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Jerry Norton of Plattsmouth was awarded a prize during the showing, a deep fryer.

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Know Your Candidates

Voters going to the polls tomorrow will have nearly a full slate of candidates to vote for, only two political officials being assured of election because they have no opponents.

Lucille Horn Gaines, Democrat, has no opponent in her quest for the job of register of deeds. C. E. Ledgway, Republican, is unopposed in his re-election bid for clerk of district court.

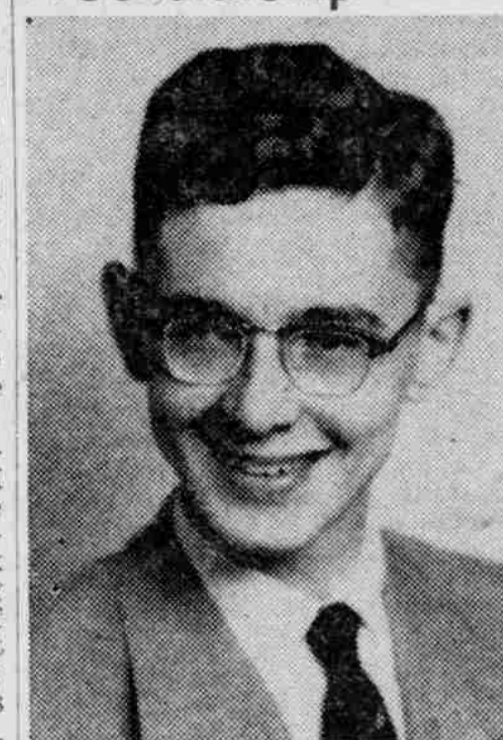
Others seeking county offices include:

County Clerk
CHARLES LAND, Republican, who was deputy sheriff two years, in the past has been a farmer, garage operator, service station operator, and county highway employee. Land is 54, and has lived in Cass county all his life, having lived in the Murray and Union communities before coming to Plattsmouth two years ago.

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Workers Still Held In Chemical Plant By Picket Lines

Beverage Awarded A Scholarship



Richard E. Beverage, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Beverage of Plattsmouth, has been awarded a Union Carbide scholarship for 1954-1955 at Colgate University.

These scholarships are given to deserving students who are principally interested in business careers.

Beverage is a 1953 graduate of Plattsmouth high school.

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A number of non-striking workers still were held in the Nitrogen division plant of Allied Chemical and Dy Corp. this morning at LaPlatte, a few miles north of Plattsmouth.

The plant has been operated by supervisory personnel since Saturday, after 280 production and maintenance workers went on strike and set up a picket line.

Main issue in the strike is seniority as applied to promotions. The union, in response to a suggestion from a federal conciliation commissioner, has offered to arbitrate that provision. R. L. Riggs, plant manager, said the issues were "a strict and completely unworkable seniority plan" and a demand for a wage increase of 16 cents an hour.

Salvation Army Will Begin its '54 Fund Drive

It was announced today by the Salvation Army Local Service Unit Committee of which Miss Josephine E. Pys is chairman and Clement T. Woster is treasurer, that the annual appeal for funds for local and regional welfare needs is being launched.

The quota set for Plattsmouth and the surrounding community is \$785.

On the completion of the campaign, a portion of the money raised will be added to the local fund which is administered by the local committee in providing a program of emergency health, and welfare services. Such needs as clothing for school children, dental, optical, and medical assistance, and family welfare needs of all kinds come within the scope of the local program.

There is no restriction on the use of the funds, and the local committee can render services at the point of need, to the limit of their funds.

The remainder of the amount raised will be used to provide maternity hospital care for unmarried mothers, fresh-air camp benefits for mothers and children, services to Veterans, and other regional services, including emergency and disaster service.

The Salvation Army met emergencies such as the Floyd River flood, the Hebron and other tornadoes in the area, providing food and hot drink for victims and rescue workers. All regional and disaster services are available to Plattsmouth whenever the need arises.

Miss Pys urges everyone to give liberally to the Salvation Army annual appeal.

Lt. Colonel Albert E. Baldwin, Divisional Commander of the Salvation Army in Nebraska, South Dakota and Western Iowa, expressed his appreciation to the Plattsmouth committee for their continued expression of confidence and good will. He said, "The Salvation Army service unit is making possible facilities to help meet long-standing needs in rural and open country areas in the country. It is gratifying to receive from our local committees across the state reports of outstanding health and welfare services being provided for through local service unit funds and by the local committees."

The other local committeemen co-operating with and sponsoring the service unit in Plattsmouth are: Dr. R. F. Brendel, T. I. Friest, John P. Sattler, Mrs. (Continued on Page 5.)

Man Is Sentenced; Indecent Exposure

Edward Ray Koh, 31, of Plattsmouth last Friday pleaded guilty to charges of indecent exposure and was sentenced by Judge Raymond Case to 60 days in the county jail.

He was arrested Thursday night by Sheriff Tom Solomon and admitted that he had earlier that evening exposed himself to two young children in the theatre in Weeping Water. He said he had committed a similar incident in the same theatre six weeks ago.

Police Court

Charles Sheppard of Omaha, for intoxication, was fined \$5 and costs. Not being able to pay the fine, he was committed but later was released.

Herbert Esser of Nebraska City, for drunken driving, was fined \$100. He also was fined \$10 and costs for not having his drivers license on his person, and his license suspended six months.

IN AUTO MISHAP

Mrs. Mary May Troop of Plattsmouth has returned from Augusta, Ga., where her son, Pvt. Marion Schlieske was involved in an auto accident Oct. 19 near Camp Gordon where he is stationed.

Pvt. Schlieske and a friend were uninjured in the accident, in which his car turned completely over.

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Louisville High Moving Into its New Buildings

Louisville's high school students will move into their new building today, thankful to be leaving the gymnasium where they have been attending school since September.

The high school had moved into the gymnasium so grade school pupils could have all of the old building, as permitted under the new plan, and not have to move around in the middle of the term.

In their new quarters, the high school and grade school in Louisville are in different buildings for the first time. The new building is entirely modern and with a separate gymnasium. It is walled with glass to give a maximum of natural light.

It has a specially-designed home economics room, science room, library, health room, consultation room, English room, and offices.

The new gymnasium has two dressing rooms which can be used as music rooms, and the stage is equipped with curtains and can be used for programs, class plays, commencement, baccalaureate and other services.

Dedication services for the new school will be some time in November.

Rural Teachers Average 50 Credit Hours

The average rural school teacher in Cass county has 50½ hours of college credit, according to a report recently made by County Supt. Lloyd Behrends.

Most colleges and universities require about 120 credit hours for graduation with a bachelor's degree, and three semesters and one summer session would equal about 52 credit hours.

The range is from three teachers who have 12 hours (one semester) or two summer sessions) to one teacher with 191 credit hours. Most master's degrees can be earned for about 160 college credit hours.

The breakdown follows: three new teachers have 12 hours; 14 have 12-29 credit hours; 23 have 30-59 hours; six have 60-89 hours; two have 90-119 hours; six have 120-148 hours; and one has 191 hours.

Ask for Presents For Young Folks In Pusan, Korea

Corporal Darrel Williamson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Williamson of Plattsmouth, has written his mother that he and his army buddies are asking that clothes and toys be sent to them to give to Korean children in the vicinity of Pusan, where they are stationed.

Mrs. Williamson said that anyone with articles which would make good Christmas presents for Korean children may be left at the Williamson cleaners. Also, they may be taken to the meeting of the Junior Women's club Monday night.

THE WEATHER

Compiled for the Journal at the Masonic Home Weather Station, Plattsmouth, Nebr. Oct. 28-31.

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Forecasts: Cloudy, windy, snow flurries, colder. High about 35.