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Chamber Names W. B. Girardot Dies Instantly In Motor Crash And Directors

Ronald R. Furse, publisher of the Plattsmouth Jour-nal was named president of the Plattsmouth Chamber of Saturday, Jan. 8, at 2:45 p. m. A passenger in the car, Robately following the Chamber's Annual Banquet last Thurs- ert D. Turner, 51, was reported day evening. Mr. Furse succeeds Ed Ernst, area man-

For Banquet

of Columbus during her recent are Paul Bowers, George Smith, struck a tree broadside, rolled stay in Germany as an Inter- John Cloidt, Jr., Bill Knorr, and national Farm Youth Exchange Roy Moore. They will serve down to the ground.



speaker at the Cass County Ex- Drummer's Day. ed in shaping the German way \$1200.00 lower than in 1953. of life, of the beautiful German forest, and of the friendliness of the German people wherever commerce requires a budget of reply, the man reached for the Eugene Vroman, Plattsmouth; she went. She will illustrate her talk with colored slides.

The meeting will be held in

If you wish to attend the of a good year in 1955. dinner, (everyone is welcome) for your convenience you may was termed a success. secure tickets from the follow-Fidon Mendenhall of Elmwood, Forest Engelkemier of Louisville, Harold Grown and Mrs. School quartet and the Thrifty stitchers. Harold Gregg and Mrs. Leonard
Born of Plattsmouth, George
Arthur Rieke of Union, Mrs. Arthur Lyle Choat and Malcolm Pol- county district court by Char- trice, and niece of the Schies-

Mrs. Leonard Born, George Rieke and Mrs. Herbert Oeh-Board members cannot succeed Monday, on business:

200 Schoolmen Are **Expected at Peru**

PERU-Nearly 200 school men from Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas and Missouri are expected on the Peru State College campus Saturday, January 15, for the third annual Schoolmen's Din-ner, Dr. Newl S. Gomon, president, announced today. Invitations have been sent to school superintendents in the area served by the College to bring their male faculty members.

Registration in mid-afternoon will be followed by tours of the campus to acquaint the visitors with the facilities of the College. Following the dinner, the schoolmen will be guests of the College at the Peru State-Nebraska Wesleyan basketball game.

"We recognize the fact that many of the school men in the Peru area have never visited the campus and many others have not been here for years," Dr. it possible for them to become familiar with the facilities and services of the College.'

THE WEATHER

Thursday 42 19 Friday40 Saturday42 18 Sunday42 24 cloudy, tonight continued cold.

ager of the Plattsmouth Telephone Company.

"What do Americans think of of Walt Gleason, Bruce Gold, us?" was the question most Richard Spangler, Cliff Girardot, asked of Miss Dorothy Blaser of Columbus during her recent the banquet to fin vacancies ite which threw their vehicle which threw their vehicle out of control."

Solomon said that the Girardot, dot vehicle struck a state warning post, jumped a culvert then

rectors was the only item of for- road which was otherwise dry. mal business taken up at the Mr. Girardot was president of Chamber's Annual Banquet. the Agrifirst Chemical Corpora-Mimeographed reports of 1954 tion of Lincoln. the evening, under the master- of Plattsmouth; sisters, Evelyn

voted to entertainment. Among the activities promoted | mouth. by the Chamber during the past year, as shown in the annual report, were the Farmers Bar-report, were the becue; Industry and Housing promotion; Clean-up, Paint-up, Screams, Thwarts Fix-up campaign; Easter Egg Hunt; Retail promotion; Miss Plattsmouth Contest; High School Band trip to Enid, Oklahoma; the Rodeo; King Korn Karnival preparations; Business-Education Day; dedication Miss Blaser will be guest of new school buildings; and

tension Service Annual meeting | Treasurer Richard Peck's anto be held January 19 in Weep- nual financial report for the ing Water. Persons attending past year revealed an income of the meeting will hear of the re- \$7151.04 and total expenses of markable recovery of agricul- \$6707.51. The bulk of the year's Kansas City left a bus at Six- 11 years prior to her death. the meeting will hear of the re- \$7151.04 and total expenses of ture and industry in Germany, income came from membership ty - Sixth and Oak streets, and Born on Sept. 22, 1880, at of the part tradition has play- dues of \$5416.00, a figure some started the short walk home Farnam, Nebr., she was the

the Agricultural Auditorium motions and services to further who lost his grip on Mrs. Iver- Ill.; and a nephew, Dwight Attepreceded by a dinner at 6:30 the Plattsmouth community. Chamber officials are confident

The 1955 Chamber banquet Ninety-five persons attended ing Extension Board members: the event which featured pro-Frank Frohlich of Eagle, Peter fessional entertainers Davis and Stander of Greenwood, Mrs. Rees; the Plattsmouth High

Johnson of Murray and Mrs. A suit has been filed in Cass Square dancing will be enjoy- D. Lugsch and others asking Plattsmouth, has been awarded following the program. Three \$1,940.02. The petition says that ed the \$100 Union Pacific scholboard members will be elected, the defendant owes money on a arship to the University of Neone from each of the three com- foreign judgement in Santa braska at the annual Gage

Herman Dall and Tim Finney as Beesley of Beatrice.

Clifford Girardot of Platts-

in a serious condition at Bryan Memorial hospital.

* Other officers for 1955, elected at the same meeting are Paul Bowers, vice-president; Richard Peck, treasurer; and John Cloidt, Jr., secretary. Mr. Peck was the only 1954 officer to succeed himself.

Cass County Sheriff Tom Solomon said that witnesses Fred and Ruth Christensen, 3042 So. 13th street, Lincoln, told him that "The Girardot vehicle passed us traveling about 55 miles per hour. As they started to pull back in their lane of Cass County Sheriff Tom Solto pull back in their lane of Five directors were elected at traffic, they struck this patch of the banquet to fill vacancies ice which threw their vehicle

The election of the new di- 180-foot patch of ice on the

and the Program of Work for Surviving are his widow, Dorthe new year were prepared by othy; brothers, Carroll of Linful direction of master-of-cere- of Omaha; Marie of Seattle, monies Walter Smith, was de- Wash., and Edith of Sheldon, Ia., and the father, John of Platts-

Robbery Attempt

Kansas City, Mo. - A Platts-

Mrs. Frances M. Bestor, 68, of tery. The 1955 Program of Work in the shadows and asked about Vroman and was never married. \$10,000.00. This is approximate- purses the women carried. In Elton Vroman, Minidoka, Idaho; ly \$1000.00 more than last year. a brief struggle, Mrs. Bestor fell Allard Vroman, Gerber, Calif.; The program is packed with pro- to the ground with the man and Verdon Vroman, Chicago, son's purse. Mrs. Iverson berry, whom she reared from in_ screamed and the man fled to fancy the car and drove away. Mrs. Bestor was injured by mouth area in 1901,

Wins Scholarship

Joyce Ellen Beesley of Bealotte Ann Corbett against James | al and Mrs. Max Vallery families, missioner districts to succeed Monica, Calif., of May 4, 1951. | county 4-H party. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thom-

In Motor Crash

The officer said there was a

assailant off.

the fall. Her sister went to the nearby for help and Winger Monday. drove the two women home. A physician was called treat Mrs. Bestor who lives with Joe Hadraba a son and daughter - in - law, Mr. and Mrs. John K. Bestor.

lerking for three year terms, of Manley were here today, Ed Bartlett of Ellis was the

1st Cass County Polio Check



Holding the first check contributed to the Cass county March of Dimes Drive are the 1955 the manager and distributed to coln, Leroy, with the U.S. Civil co-chairman for the county, Mrs. Rose Day, those in attendance. Otherwise, Service in Africa, and Clifford right, and Mrs. Hazel Fitch. Both past presidents of the Plattsmouth Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary, they will call on that organi-

zation to help sponsor the drive. Co-incidentally the check they are holding, the first received in the drive, is from the Rebekah Lodge at Plattsmouth, of which both are members.-Journal Phote.

Vroman Rites

mouth woman was the object Vroman, 64, who died at 10:30 of an attempted robery in Kan | a.m., at Rest Haven in Weeping sas City Thursday night while Water Saturday, Jan. 8, will be visiting her sister in Kansas held Tuesday at the Sattler City. But a scream drove the Funeral Home in Plattsmouth at 2 p.m. Rev. Ted Konvalin of Mrs. Eleanor Iverson, 50, of the Baptist Church will officiate. Plattsmouth, and her sister, Burial will be in Oak Hill ceme_

when a man stepped from a car daughter of Alice and Lucius

She moved to the Platts-Visiting hours at the Sattler home of George M. Winger Funeral home are 6 to 9 p.m.

Departs Today

today by train for Alabama. He will be guest of his eldest son, As Teacher Quits

Ted is faculty advisor for Air State Department.

Visiting at the Hadraba home er, resigned. states with her daughter, Peg, patrons last fall. and grandson, Teddy, in Octo-

Most Couples Stay Wed Count Shows

who get a marriage license in Cass county get a divorce. At least that's what Thelma Kruger and Estella Rutherford of the Cass county judge's office figured out quickly when they saw the report of how many divorces were granted in Cass county in 1954.

Twenty - seven divorces were given by the district court in the county last year, and when the two women counted the number of marriage license issued and found 149. Quick division showed that for every 51/2 certificate issued, one couple got a divorce.

Record number of marriage licenses issued for last year came in November when there were 19. Here's the way the months went: January, 7; February, 21; March, 11; April, 12; May, 13; June, 13; July, 5; August, 7; September, 11; October, 13; November, 19 and De-

11 Students Are Mr. Joe Hadraba will depart Moved to Nehawka

NEHAWKA (Special)—Eleven War College at Maxwell Air students of School District 15 Force Base, Montgomery, Ala. were moved to the Nehawka This is an appointment by the school this week after their teacher, Mrs. Arley Schoonmak-

is Mrs. Ted Hadraba's mother, District 15 was one of five Mrs. Anna Zahradnicek of Bern, districts reorganized into a larg-Switzerland. She came to the er district through a vote of

rection of the reorganized area's brought into Nehawka by bus.

has been selected at Nehawka and plans are now getting under way for the construction of held in Cass county court Mon-Picked up by a Nehawka

school bus now from district 15 heard in the case of Lena Ried ston. are Eddie and Gary Fitch, Bill Reitter and the first hearing of Mrs. Anderson was admitted Schlichtemeier, primary room; David Johnson, Charles Hadley, Jackie Dodson, 3rd and 4th grade room; Everett Hadley, was appointed administrator. AF & AM. Shirley Ross, Jim Johnson, 5th and 6th grade room; Norma Ross and Dean Hadley, 7th

Molck Promoted In Air Force Job

William Molck, Jr., has been appointed as Airman second speeding.

class by his commanding officials by his commanding of the body his commanding of the by his commanding of the b cer according to word received ton, Lincoln, \$10 and \$4 costs, here by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. speeding. William Molck. The letter from that his work is held in the high- ing. est esteem.

In a telephone conversation with him at Christmas his par-

mechanic stationed at George costs, speeding. Air Force Base, Victorville,

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hilficker and daughter were in Omaha Bluffs, Ia., \$25 and \$4 costs, Robert C. Tourville, \$10 and \$4 Saturday on business.

Funeral Rites Were Thursday guilty. His vehicle was impounded for 60 days at Platts-For F. L. Towle In a second arrest by Policeman Winn, Harvey D. Haagen-

Thursday, Jan. 6, at Roper and drunk and City Police Judge Sons chapel for Fred L. Towle, James H. Graves, fined him \$100 62, a native of Cass county, who and \$4 costs, and suspended his died at his home in Lincoln Jan. 4, 1955. Dr. Frank A. Court officiated. Burial was in Wabash street in Plattsmouth.

Bearers were Ralph Dorr, J. Legion Elects
E. Golden, Albert Pool, Ralph Richards, Lawrence Earl and Sherman Hardaway. The music, "The Lord's Prayer," was sung by Homer Harrison, accompanied by Maryalite Macy.

Mr. Towle had spent most of his life in Cass county except for the few years he lived in He was born March 29, 1892,

ing World War I. He was a member of the American Legion. who survives him. Also surviv- tees. of Omaha; Mary E. of Kansas wise for 1955. City, Mo.; Charlotte of the home and two grandchildren; one sis- baseball expenses last summer capita polio incidence rate was

Schomaker Wins Corn Yield Award

Fred Schomaker of Nehawka Nebr., was named High Yield Award Winner in the non irri-gated division for Cass county, by Tekseed Hybrid Company, sponsors of the annual Tekseed Some of the students of the Hikh Yield Corn Contest in Nenew district are still going to braska, Iowa, South Dakota, their old schools under the di- Colorado, Kansas and Missouri. Mr. Schomaker had a yield of school board and some are 107 to win the High Yield Certificate for Cass County.

A site for a new school building, to serve the entire district, Probate Hearings

A determination heirship was Mrs. Emman James of Barn-

Home Friday morning. Funeral services have been by the National Foundation set for 1 p.m. Monday at the

Court House Briefs

George E. Meier, 2615 E. street, Lincoln, \$10 and \$4 costs,

ter, \$10 and \$4 costs, no muff- Saturday, Jan. 8.

John L. Tuttle, 1910 Californ A/2c Molck is a jet engine ia street, Omaha, \$11 and \$4 A. Janecek, 18, both of Platts-John M. Baskob, 531st Trans. Larry Duane Phipps, 18, and Co., Ft. Riley, Kans., \$16 and Angela Evelyn Garcia, 16, both \$4 costs, speeding. of Cou Edward Earl May, Council issued.

failure to display flags.

company, 6th and Grover, Omaha, \$22 and \$4 costs, overweight

James Lindley Doody, 23, and

Charles E. White, Oakland, Helen Faye Gunsolley, 19, both the holiday weekend in Los An- Ia., \$11 and \$4 costs, speeding. of Plattsmouth, license issued. Van H. White, 19, and Bette mouth, license issued.

of Council Bluffs, Ia., license

Polio Drive Open In Cass County; **Chairmen Named**

Cass county's 1955 Polio fund drive was under way this week as two hard working Plattsmouth women took over the reins to raise money to fight the disease.

Mrs. Rose Day and Mrs. Hazel Fitch of Plattsmouth accepted the co-chairmanship of Plattsmouth and already have their first check-a contribution from the Plattsmouth Rebekah Lodge.

Police Arrest Two For Drunk Driving In Plattsmouth

Plattsmouth police nailed two Mrs. Lottie Knecht; Murdock, drunken drivers on the weekend Mrs. Alvin Backmeyer; Cedar and by noon today both were Creek, Mrs. Morris Miller; Wathrough the courts with heavy bash, Mrs. Ralph Richards; Mur-

provisions which took them both Root; Union, Mrs. Robert Grunoff the roads.

Richard Winn and Delbert singer; Elmwood, Mrs. Ruth Green arrested Merle I. Porter, RFD, Fort Crook on Washington street Friday and the case went to the Cass County court on a second offense of driving A. J. Hanway. The Manley while drunk. Judge Raymond chairman will be announced Case fined Porter \$300, sent him Publicity chairman is Sophia to the county jail for 30 days, revoked his license from the date the fine is paid, and ordered him not to operate a motor vehicle in any manner on his plea of

Funeral services were held was charged with driving while driver's license for six months. Winn made the arrest on Main

One, Appoints Two in Meeting

gion Post ran through a list of geographic boundry. But staof routine business Thursday tistics gathered by the National heard reports for the year 1954. sis show the chances of polio on a farm near Wabash and served in the Armed Forces dur- fill a vacancy on the executive greater in counties where there committee and Commander are less than 50,000 people than Herb Baumgart appointed Dr. P. in counties with a larger popu-Mr. Towle was married Aug- T. Heineman and Albin Cho- lation. ust 5, 1926, to Minnie Diekmann vanec as Legion building trus-

ing are his son, Gayle of Mur- One hundred-ninety-six memdock; three daughters, Shirley bers were reported paid dues- braska bear out the national

Gene Krings reported junior of work on the Legion building. ties under 50,000 population. James Lepert hit the jackpot, but he was not present.

Anderson Services

Mrs. Mamie L. Anderson, 83, died at the Nebraska Masonic

at Lincoln Memorial Park ceme-Mrs. Anderson is survived by two nephews, Claude Lewis, Sioux City, Ia., and Basil Jones, Rolling Prairie, Ind., and a niece,

probate in the case of Fred J. to the nome three years and probate in the case of Fred J. four months ago through the Reitter was held. Fred Reitter Barnston. Neb., Lodge No. 165,

George Citts Construction

Robert D. Irmer, 1634 K street, Mary Jo Alkire, 24, both of his squadron, the 434 FTR. said Lincoln, \$10 and \$4 costs, speed. Plattsmouth, were married by County Judge Raymond J. Case Richard Bauers, Weeping Wa- at the Cass County courthouse

Billy Lee Booton, 18, and

costs, speeding.

ray, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boe-

* Also named were chairmen for other districts in the county who will work with the county lead-

Here is a partial list of chairmen and organizations for Cass

county towns: Weeping Water, Mrs. Helen John; South Bend,

Two judges assessed fines and deker; Eagle, Mrs. Howard wald; Avoca, Mrs. Fred Mar-Plattsmouth Police Officers quardt; Mynard, Herman Mei-Monning; Greenwood, Mrs. Milared Comstock; Louisville, Junfor Women's Club; Nehawka, Junior Women's Club; Alvo, Mrs.

Wolever of Plattsmouth. County chairmen warned that the importance of giving to the March of Dimes this year is more important than ever for it is the year when the immunization ogram results will be known. Millions of dollars have been committed to the search for an effective immunization against polio. If the Salk immunization works, then it must be paid for and, if it doesn't, a new search must be started.

For those who don't believe they could be struck personally by the disease, the chairmen had this to point out: If you live in a county of small

population, the risk is greater

that you will. Anybody can get polio, anywhere, any time. It is no re-Plattsmouth's American Le- specter of class, job, group-or night, elected an officer, and Foundation for Infantile Paraly-Albert Olson was elected to striking have been 14 per cent

> Dr. E. A. Rogers, state health director for Nebraska, says 1954 polio incidence records for Ne-

He said that the average per ter, Eunice McHugh of Murdock; at \$275 and Don Kellison re- approximately 39 per 100,000 brothers, Henry of Ashland; Ar- ported on Christmas activities, population for Nebraska counchie of Glade, Kans.; and George The group also proffered a ties over 50,000 in population, as vote of thanks to Les Niel for compared to approximately 60 his continued efforts in behalf per 100,000 for Nebraska coun-

These facts may surprise a great many people, Ted Hughes, state March of Dimes chairman, says. Years ago, most diseases, including polio, were reported more fully in big cities where Are Set for Monday health departments had larger

But the crippling pattern of

polio incidence, Hughes con-

tinued, has been carefully traced

Caldwell - Linder Funeral home five-year period, '48-'52, show's since 1938. Figures during a In larger counties with more than 200,000 people, the annual average is 23 out of every 100,-In counties with less than 50,-000, the annual average was 27

> persons stricken with polio per Why this is true, Hughes said. no one knows. Epidemic studies of polio prove that there is no true and steady pattern to be found in the course of this dis-

> But today, he said, one thing about polio is predictable. That is the promptness with which aid is sped into the flight by the Foundation. When polio strikes, you can be sure of swift assistance in any part of the country.



Compiled for the Journal at the Masonic Home Weather Jan. 6-9, 1955.

County Officials Take Oath



Cass County Judge Raymond J. Case, right, administered the oath of office to this group of Station, Plattsmouth, Nebraska. Cass county officials who took up new terms last week. Three of the officers were new, the re-High Low Prec mainder succeeding themselves in office. Herman Bornemeier, starting a new term as county commissioner, arrived late and was not in this photo. In this photo, from left, Clara Olson, Forecast: Today cold, partly county assessor; Tom Solomon, partly hidden, sheriff; Alice Jayne Grosshans; county treasurer;

Charles Land, county clerk; Lucille Horn Gaines, register of deeds; L. A. Behrends, superintendent ents learned that he had spent of schools; Ray Norris, county commissioner; geles with friends. Glen Johnson, county surveyor; Richard Peck, county attorney; C. E. Ledgway, clerk of the district court. Only Commissioner William Calif. Nolte and Judge Case were carry over officers Clara Olson, Charles Land and Alice Jayne Grosshans are newly elected .- Journal Photo.