



ESCAPES DEATH—This is the auto of Dale L. Mishler of Sabetha, Kans., after it ripped between two utility poles two miles south of Plattsmouth early this past Sunday morning. The driver escaped with a fractured skull and deep lacerations of the arms. His luck also held out on the financial side. The impact of the crash jammed a strong box under a seat of the

auto and it remained in the car at a downtown garage for the remainder of the night unknown to anyone. The sheriff's office was told of the money being in the car by the driver's wife Sunday and after prying the wreckage apart it was found, untouched. The box contained the full day's receipts from Mr. Mishler's business. Sheriff's Office Photo.

Presbyterian Manse Is Hit By Lightning

Tornado warnings failed to materialize in the Cass County area last night, but a fierce electrical storm struck.

A bolt of lightning caused considerable damage when it hit the garage at the Presbyterian Manse at South Seventh Street.

The electrical blast tore a hole in the roof of the garage, shattered two windows, bowled over a garage door and then ripped into the sidewalk pavement outside and ripped up a large cement block.

Mrs. Keith Delap, wife of the pastor, was home alone at the time. The bolt did not enter the pastors living quarters 20 feet away.

The rainfall accompanying the storm was welcomed by farmers but much more is needed. An unofficial .31 inches fell during the storm.

The entire area between Plattsmouth and Kansas City was alerted for scattered tornados. Winds earlier yesterday toppled a large tree on Route 75 near the Masonic Home. Traffic was tied up for about a half hour as personnel from the Masonic Home cleared away the debris.

Police Chief John Hobscheid, Sr., and Patrolman Estil Jenkins were called to direct traffic at the scene.

Law Cracks Down On Beer Parties, Fights At Beach

Lloyd Holman Told He May Lose Liquor License Of Tavern

Cass County commissioners cracked down on Holman's Beach and tavern Tuesday and threatened the proprietor with loss of his license if things aren't straightened out soon.

Sheriff Tom Solomon, County Attorney Dick Peck and the commissioners spent considerable time with Proprietor Lloyd Holman outlining complaints brought to their attention and setting out strict rules they expect to have fulfilled.

During their discussion details were brought out of a "gang" fight recently at the beach between personnel at Offutt Air Force and an Omaha gang. Also behind the crackdown was the holdup last week at the beach of an Omaha man by a band of youths believed to be from Omaha.

Attorney Peck told Mr. Holman the commissioners expect the beach area to be lighted at night, minors be stopped from drinking on the beach, the area to be patrolled and other troubles be brought to a stop.

Mr. Holman said many of the trouble makers climbed over a fence to return to the beach after he "locked up" nights.

However, he was warned to lock the gates, set up a proper fence and police the area or leave it lighted all night, if necessary, to keep things under control.

"It's not up to the sheriff to police the area. You have to do it yourself or suffer the consequences," Attorney Peck told Mr. Holman.

The county attorney said events at the beach, which is located just off Highway 75 north of Plattsmouth, are a "damned black mark on the county."

Holman promised to have lights erected and in operation within "a couple of days."

He also said he will have a sign erected warning minors against drinking.

Attorney Peck said he must do more than put up signs. They must be enforced, he stressed.

The attorney said he and Sheriff Solomon are going to inspect the premises.

"The board has given you an opportunity to clear things up yourself," he added. "You are running the place and don't have to let anyone in if you don't want to," he said.

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Ray M. Leslie, Chief Joe Kruntorad, and Grant Chief Gene Mitchem inspect fire truck.

Local Fire Chief Envious Of Visitor With New Truck

Joe Kruntorad was an envious fire chief this past Saturday. The object of his envy was Gene Mitchem, fire chief of Grant, a town of 1,200 inhabitants.

Chief Mitchem stopped in the city to show off a new \$16,000 GMC pumper truck which was being driven to Grant where it will be put into use.

Although far smaller than Plattsmouth, Grant's fire department is well equipped.

Firefighters there have a 1936 Dodge pumper with a 1947 motor in it and a 1946 Ford. Both are 500 gallon pumpers.

The new truck is a 750 gallon pumper. The Grant department also has a 1,000 gallon tank truck, a two-way radio which picks up police and sheriff's office calls and a fully equipped rescue squad.

Besides that, all the department's clothing, boots, helmets, raincoats and dress uniforms are purchased by the town.

In contrast, Plattsmouth firemen have a 1938 Diamond T 500 gallon pumper and 1944 home made 350 gallon pumper.

Chief Kruntorad said. So enthused was the chief over the new truck he called members of the special equipment committee downtown to see it. Those who looked it over Lugsch, John Sattler, Darrell Ashbaugh, Hob Hinz, Walt Bryant, Herb Schuetz.

The chief told city councilmen 11 days ago the local department's equipment was so outdated and obsolete the situation here was "critical."

He is seeking a new pumper truck somewhat similar to the one displayed by Chief Mitchem and Ray M. Leslie of Lincoln Fire Engine Company, the firm which sold the vehicle to the Grant department.

Striking Mrs. Max Beadleston, proprietor of Lou's Cafe, cost a Murray man a total of \$25 in fines and court costs.

Leonard Yates was found guilty in police court of the assault charge and a charge of intoxication. He pleaded not guilty to both counts. He pleaded guilty to a third charge of using abusive language.

The troubles began when Yates entered the cafe, ordered a meal, and went to sleep before it was served.

Mrs. Beadleston woke him and ordered him out of the cafe.

Yates then struck her. Mrs. Beadleston retaliated by breaking a coffee cup over his head.

Yates was finally removed from the cafe by Mrs. Beadleston's husband and the cook, Carl Styles.

Mrs. Beadleston required five stitches in her ear.

The Cass County Red Cross Committee announced today the swimming week program will be carried out here—if the necessary financial arrangements can be made.

Hopes for the swim week were at a low recently as the annual Red Cross drive in Plattsmouth and throughout Cass County fell far short of expectations.

The announcement of plans for holding the swim week program was made following a meeting of County Red Cross officers in Plattsmouth.

Preliminary work in setting up the annual budget and mapping out arrangements for the annual county meeting July 16 at 8 p.m. in Plattsmouth Hotel highlighted the session.

Attending were Sanford Clements, chairman; Walter Smith, vice chairman; Elmer Hallstrom, treasurer, and Mrs. Carl Zaiser, secretary.

THE WEATHER
Compiled for the Plattsmouth Journal at the Masonic Home Weather Station, Plattsmouth, Nebraska.
June 4, 5, 6, 1956.

High Low Prec
Monday 81 60
Tuesday 81 66
Wednesday 82 68 31
Forecast: Showers, cloudy, high in lower 80's, low near 60 tonight. Tomorrow possible showers. Sun sets today at 7:55 p. m. Sun rises Friday at 4:51 a. m.

She's Starting Young:
At the age of 14 years, Charlene Lewis of 216 Washington Avenue is embarking on her career. This tiny blonde high school sophomore has announced plans of opening a school for acrobatics for the summer months.

Charlene, an accomplished acrobat, wants to teach what she's learned and make a little money in the process during the summer months—and maybe be right on through the school year.

For her this is no summer plan. She intends to continue her acrobatic training and become a professional some day.

Telephone subscribers can pick up a little extra gift shopping money between July 2 and July 14 if they answer their phone with the right words in the Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce "Dollar Days" contest.

To publicize the big Dollar Day sale scheduled for July 13 and 14 the chamber will give \$2 gift certificates—good in trade in any member store—to those who answer their phones by saying:

"Dollar Day July 13 and 14."

Telephone numbers will be picked at random and a sufficient number of calls will be made each day to insure three winners, the chamber said. During the 12 day period there will be 36 winners.

No chamber member, merchant or members of their immediate families are eligible to win. All phone calls will be made by the chamber office.

KKK MEETING IS SET
A KKK meeting will be held Thursday at 8 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce office. This meeting is being held to discuss the plans for the annual event.

Two Downtown Stores Get New Coat of Paint
Two Main Street store fronts received new paint jobs this week.

The Sports Hall was trimmed in cream and green while Smith's Men's Wear got a touch of "ranchero red."

O-Positive Blood Badly Needed for Plattsmouth Lady
A plea for volunteer blood donors with O-Positive blood type was made today by Mrs. Frank Topliff.

Her mother-in-law, Mrs. Nellie Topliff of Plattsmouth, is a patient at St. Joseph's Hospital in Omaha and is in need of this type blood for transfusions.

Anyone wishing to volunteer is requested to contact Mrs. Frank Topliff at 8287 or 3182.

Journal Is 2nd In Nation For Aid To Agriculture

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—The Plattsmouth Journal will be awarded second place in the nation for "outstanding and consistent service to agriculture" as the National Editorial Association convenes in Louisville, Ky., today, tomorrow and Saturday.

The Journal was picked second of all the entries throughout the United States.

The winning paper is the Macon, Ga., Telegraph, a daily and Sunday paper. The award is for newspapers of circulations more than 2,000. The Albany, Ore., Democrat Herald was the winner for papers of less than 2,000 circulation.

Journal Publisher Ronald R. Furse and Mrs. Furse are presently in Louisville to attend the convention. Mr. Furse will accept the award on behalf of his newspaper.

First word of the Journal's rating was released today in a copy of "The National Publisher," a trade magazine.

A plaque contributed by the Northern States Envelope Company will be given the Journal.

The prize is presented, according to "The National Publisher," for the Journal's promotion of "soil conservation, corn growing contests, weekly farm page, farm editorials, farm tours, fairs, farm youth work, rural news coverage and farm success stories."

Cass County Farmers May Use FFA Sprayer Free of Charge

Future farmers and farmers throughout the county will have at their disposal this fall the free use of a power sprayer.

The sprayer will be built as soon as school opens in September by the Plattsmouth Chapter, Future Farmers of America.

The funds for the project were donated to the Plattsmouth unit Tuesday night by the Plattsmouth Journal.

Presentation of a check for

Fred Tesch Named To City Police Force: Owns Launderette

Fred Tesch, Jr., was appointed to the Plattsmouth Police Department this week following the resignation of Roland Cooper, it was announced today by Mayor Bruce Gold.

The appointment was confirmed at a special meeting of the city council Monday evening.

Mr. Tesch is the owner of the Whirlpool Launderette on Sixth Street.

Ant Buttons Almost Kill 2 Youngsters

Ant buttons which looked like green sugar candy almost took the lives this past week of the two young daughters of a former Plattsmouth couple.

The girls—Lorene, seven, and Kay, two—are the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cowan, now of Langdon. They formerly lived at the A. B. Rogers Farm in this city.

The buttons containing arsenic proved too much of an attraction for the two children who were drinking pop in the kitchen of their home while their parents were visiting on a porch of the house.

After gulping down the buttons the girls told their mother they had eaten some "green sugar," when she returned inside. Mrs. Cowan quickly discovered what happened and the youngsters were rushed to Fairfax Hospital.

Stomach pumps were used on the girls and after an all night stay in the hospital they were sent home. They were under observation for several more days until medical authorities were sure they were alright.

Presents for Lucky Father Are Revealed

If the lucky Plattsmouth man who is chosen "Father of the Year" tries to carry home all the prizes he wins, he's going to need some darn long arms.

Some 27 merchants have chipped in to make the jackpot one of the biggest ever offered by local business establishments.

To win the prizes a father must be the object of the best letter of nomination.

The letters nominating fathers must be written by youngsters nine years old or younger. Those kiddos who think their daddy should be the father of the year on Fathers' Day are urged by merchants to send a letter telling why to the Chamber of Commerce in Plattsmouth.

Letters cannot be accepted if they are postmarked later than June 14, at 6 p. m. The name of the winning father will be announced over the public address system Friday at 8 p. m. at Fifth and Main Streets.

A secret committee will read all the letters and choose the best. Then the lucky father will be bombarded with the following: (Continued on Page Three)

Plattsmouth Man Hurt as Hay Truck Falls Through Span

Ernest Bond of Plattsmouth escaped with a badly sprained ankle Tuesday when a hay truck in which he was riding crashed through a bridge.

The mishap occurred on a wooden bridge at the farm of his brother, Leon.

The truck fell through the bridge and overturned. Mr. Bond was ordered off the foot by a doctor and he will later be able to get around with the aid of crutches.

At Long, Long Last!

Flood Control Cash OK'd

The city's lengthy effort to obtain federal monies for flood control here has finally paid off.

Paul Fauquet, chairman of the Plattsmouth Watershed Committee, was informed Tuesday the Federal Government has made available \$60,500 for the erection of dams to protect property from heavy runoffs.

The city and those immediately adjacent to the city limits and profiting through the watershed work are expected to add another \$30,840 to the fund over a five year period.

A special meeting will be held Monday night at 8 o'clock at the Lions Community Building to enable residents to learn first hand of the committee's

plans for raising funds and to have the project explained to them.

The financial burden which must be borne locally will be apportioned to those who receive benefits, Chairman Fauquet said.

The releasing of funds for the project came nine years to the week of the last major flood caused by heavy rains.

The planned project will be sufficient to handle a six inch runoff, the chairman said. Actually the cost of the whole project is less than the damage which could be caused by just one serious flood, he explained.

The watershed flood prevention idea is credited to

TELEGRAM OF OFFICIAL CONGRESSIONAL OK

"Happy to advise Congressional approval of Plattsmouth Watershed Project. Plan is among first approved under Public Law 566 which reflects diligence and good work of your local sponsoring groups. Department of Agriculture assures full cooperation. Roman L. Hruska, U.S.S., Carl T. Curtis, U.S.S."

Dr. George Condra, dean of soil conservation, at the University of Nebraska. He mapped out the original plans here after the bad

flood of 1947. Plattsmouth was the first city in Nebraska to apply for the needed federal matching funds under the Hope-Aiken Act. Work carried out here will be among the first in the nation under the bill.

The locally contributed and federal matched funds will completely handle costs of obtaining land easements, obtaining dam permits, building dams and other administrative work.

The committee which has carried out the program's planning includes C. E. Welshimer, E. H. G. Eiting, George Jaeger, W. A. Swatek, William F. Evers, H. F. Hinz, Ray Story, Fred Lugsch, Ronald R. Furse and Mr. Fauquet.