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## Fire Prevention Drive Underway By Local Group

Plattsmouth Fire Department is extolling the merits of Fire Prevention Week starting today with the mailing of over 2000 letters carrying specially designed stamps to as many residents in the area.

With a record of top efficiency in extinguishing fires within the confines of the district, the local volunteer department find that lack of equipment places them in a precarious position with the greatest danger period of the year on the scene.

Amount of tax money that can be appropriated to the department is limited. It has been found that it will not supply urgent needs of the Plattsmouth volunteer group following the necesity of purchasing hundreds of feet of new hose, standardizing hydrant connections over the city, truck repairs and much other expense.

Following in the steps of other nearby communities, the local group has placed in the mail these 2300 letters asking some extra support during Fire Prevention Week. Enclosed are Special Fire Safety Stamps designed to encourage fire prevention and an urgent appeal for a contribution towards purchase of adequate equipment for their fire fighting and life saving efforts.

In soliciting your help, the department asks only that you give what you reasonably can. Your payment can be mailed in the enclosed prepaid and addressed envelope or given to any firemen whose name is listed on the letters. Every contribution will be gratefully accepted, large or small. It will help them to help you if fire should strike.

Every cent received will be used to buy better equipment and more tools with which to protect the lives and property of our citizens. They ask that you do not return the stamps—use them on letters to do your part in stamping out what has become the nation's greatest destroyer of property.

## Death Of Mrs. Lulu May Ruby Old Resident

Services were held this (Monday) afternoon at 2:30 at the Methodist church in Weeping Water for Mrs. Lulu May Ruby, 76, long time resident of Cass county.

Mrs. Ruby passed away Friday evening folowing an illness that has covered several months. She has been at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Clifford Cooper near Weeping Water.

Services were conducted by Rev. Fred C. Gardner, pastor of the church, burial was in Oakwood cemetery at Weeping Water.

The Hobson funeral home had charge of the arrangements.

Mrs. Ruby was born at Holmesville, Ohio, January 15, 1880, a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William J. Doty. Following her marriage in 1898 to Edward Ruby they made their home on a farm in the vicinity of Weeping Water. The husband passed away in 1954.

She was a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Royal Neighbors of America.

Surviving are three sons, Virgil, Nehawka; Floyd, Shenandoah, Ia.; Bernard, Nebraska City; one daughter, Mrs. Clifford Cooper, Weeping Water; seven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, a sister, Mrs. Mable Mickle, Lincoln.

## City Welcome Greets New Residents

Mrs. Al Huebner and Mrs. Walt Soennichsen welcomed new residents to Plattsmouth Thursday and Friday of last week.

The Welcome Wagon is conducted through the Chamber of Commerce office.

Newcomers are: Ray and Alice Nault, 501 South First; Robert and Lucille Kintzi, 512 Main Street; Mrs. Alice Miller, 519 North 9th; Robert and Marilyn Johnson, 1624 Avenue C; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond MacFarland, Offutt Air Base Personnel; Keith and Sylvia Wilkins, 901 First Avenue and Darrell and Ellen Austin, 424 North 5th.

### Wrecks Car On Louisville Road

A nearly new automobile was declared a near total loss Saturday night by police following an investigation on the Louisville Road where the accident occurred. Owned by Bill Mason, the car left the highway and rolled over according to reports. He was accompanied by Joe Loper. No one was seriously injured in the crash.

## Greenwood Resident Finds Fraternity Pin Lost 25 Years

A Greenwood man, the Nebraska Fairgrounds, a bulldozer and a long-standing friendship have helped an Iowan's long-lost fraternity pin find its way home.

Merle Loder, of Davenport, Ia., and formerly of Lincoln, lost his Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity pin 25 years ago while attending the Nebraska State Fair.

Elmer Mathis of Greenwood, scraped up the pin while operating a bulldozer near the 4-H building at the Fairgrounds last week.

He cleaned the pin when he got home, read the name engraved on it and immediately he knew what to do with it.

He gave it to Mrs. Ralph Beale of Lincoln, who is the pin owner's sister.

Mathis, it seems, has known the Loder family for years.

## Two Women Fined In Police Court On Liquor Charges

Two women were given fines in Judge Graves police court Thursday on infractions of Nebraska's liquor laws.

Ruth Meeven, 20, Omaha, was found about 4 a.m. Wednesday morning lying on the highway near the Masonic home by Police Officer Chappell in an intoxicated condition. She was taken to county jail where she was held.

Later she reported to officers that she had been given the liquor by Dorothy Y'Deen, resident of a local trailer court.

The two were taken into police court where they both plead guilty. A fine of $10 and costs were levied against Miss Meeven for intoxication.

Dorothy Y'Deen plead guilty to charges of giving liquor to a minor and was assessed a fine of $75 and costs of $4 by Judge Graves.

### "Tailoring Teens" Aid Swimming Pool

The Chamber of Comerce office has announced that the Swiming Pool Fund has received a donation from the 4-H club "The Tailoring Teens." The fund was boosted $6.70 by the club.

Members of the club are Carol Potchies, Shirley Hild, Barbara Ulrich, Janet Frederich, June Wagner and Mary Schmidt.

### Please Return Plaid Jacket

Mistakes happen in the best of places to the most careful persons, as was shown here Friday at the rummage sale held in the former Woster shoe store.

One of the ladies working in the sale force had removed her plaid jacket and laid it aside until ready to go homeward.

In some manner the jacket was spotted by a shopper, unknown to the owner or clerks, it was sold and the new possessor went on her way rejoicing

The jacket has a sentimental value to the owner, as it was made from a heirloom shirt. It is hoped this will catch the eye of the purchaser and returned. Please return it to Mrs. W. H. Schmidtmann, the price will be refunded as well as a reward.

### Deanery Plans Meet At Palmyra Oct. 19

Plans for a fall convention was discussed at a board meeting of the Plattsmouth deanery of the Catholic Church at the home of Mrs. John Broderick of Palmyra.

It is planned to hold the convention Friday, October 19 at the American Legion hall at Elmwood starting at 1 p.m.

ASST. FOOTBALL COACH John Adkins gets a hurry up shoe shine in the hall at the high school Friday as part of "Freshman Day." Adkins believes "if you can't whip 'em join 'em" and goes along with the fun. Here Leland Jones does a mop up job on Adkins' uppers as Reeva Taylor, Helen Campbell and Barbara Stinson, dressed in the very latest, keep him from getting away.

—Journal Photo

## Legion Urges Drive For New '57 Members

Hugh J. Kearns post No. 56 American Legion, held their regular October meeting Thursday at the 40 & 8 club with a fair attendance of the membership.

Commander Orville Julian presided over the session.

Adjutant Don Warga reported that of date the post had 138 enrolled for 1957.

Members of the post prepared a list of three for selection as members of the county Soldier and Sailor fund commission. These will be submitted to the county commissioners, to select two to fill vacancies on the commission, Posts over the county will select names to be submitted. The names presented by the Plattsmouth post comprise, Don Warga, Al Linder and Joe Zastera.

Past Commander Al Linder talked on the forthcoming Boy Scout drive campaign. It was voted to have the Legion take part in this worthy cause.

It was voted to hold a Halloween party on Saturday, October 27th. Committee to arrange the event is Lloyd Fitch, Art Warga, Francis Beringer, Dean Patton, Al Linder, Gene Krings, E. O. Vroman, Cecil Karr, Joe Zastera.

It was brought to the attention of the post that national and state dues will be raised by Dec. 1, 1956. All members are urged to get their membership in before that date to save the raise in membership.

### Seek Re-approval Of Vocational Ag At Nebraska City

Supt. E. G. Lightbody of the Nebraska City schools with members of the board of education of that city, was at Lincoln Thursday to confer with members of the department of education.

The meeting was to discuss the recent disapproval of the facilities of the Nebraska City vocational agricultural department of the schools.

Mr. Lightbody said that suggestions will be made to the board of education soon to get the Nebraska City department back on the approved list, at least on a temporary basis.

## Plattsmouth Annual Appreciation Day Friday And Saturday

**Plattsmouth Annual Appreciation Day will get underway here Friday for a two-day fall event, the Chamber of Commerce announced.**

**Local merchants are going all out to make this a bargain day surpassed by none. Stores will be stocked to the brim with hundreds of everyday articles at rock-bottom prices.**

**In addition, there will be entertainment Saturday for kiddies, a free pancake feed, and many other features for residents in the trade area.**

**Thursday's Plattsmouth Journal will carry a complete program together with offerings of all local merchants. Participating stores will be identified with window banners.**

### George Dasher To St. Mary's Hospital

George Dasher, veteran maintainance of way employe of the Burlington, was taken Sunday to Nebraska City for observation and treatment at St. Mary's hospital.

Mr. Dasher has not been feeling too well in the past months and it is hoped that he will soon be able to return home much improved.

Fortunately a son, Eugene, has just returned from the west coast to be with the parents.

### Death Of Mrs. Jennie Snell, Weeping Water

Mrs. Jennie E. Snell, 77, of Weeping Water, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Alvin Groesser, Sunday morning.

She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Groesser and two sisters, Mrs. James E. Jenkins of Murray and Mrs. Chris Snell of Omaha. Three grandsons and one great granddaughter also survive.

Services will be held Tuesday, 2 p.m. at the Methodist Church in Weeping Water with Rev. Fred C. Gardner officiating.

Burial will be at Oakwood Cemetery.

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

## Burlington Awards Eagle F.F.A. Youth

Frank Umland of Eagle has been selected as one of the Burlington award winners in Nebraska. This award is based on on the achievement made in Future Farmer of America activities and other F.F.A. projects. Every year the Burlington Railroad makes these awards to outstanding F.F.A. boys in the territory served, to encourage Future Farmer work.

The Burlington will be host at the National Future Farmers of America Convention in Kansas City on October 16 at a breakfast given in honor of all Burlington award winners.

Frank is a 1956 graduate of Eagle High School and has since remained active in F.F.A. activities. Frank received the State Farmer Degree his senior year and is presently serving as District II chairman. Frank is presently engaged in farming with his father, Herbert Umland, near Eagle.

# Man, Wife Killed When Cars Collide Near Springfield

★ Mrs. James Manroe died instantly and her husband followed her in death about 11 p.m. Sunday after their car had been struck broadside at an intersection three miles north of Springfield on Highway 50 about 10 p.m. Saturday night.

Their adopted son, Douglas Manroe, age 3, is confined in the Childrens Memorial Hospital where his condition is reported satisfactory.

The Manroes, residents of Omaha, had spent the day Saturday with Mrs. Manroe's parents, Rev and Mrs. A. Lentz, pastor of Christ's Lutheran Church on the Louisville Road at a farewell gathering for Dr. Lentz who was to have departed today (Monday) for Harrisburg, Pa., to attend the 20th biennial convention of the United Lutheran Churches of America.

They departed from the Lentz home about 9:30 p.m. on the return trip to Omaha. About three miles north of Springfield at the junction of Highway 50 and the Papillion road, their car was struck broadside by another traveling west onto the highway.

Driver of the second car involved was Charles Mumm, 21, of Earling, Ia.

Mumm was accompanied by two passengers, Gary Wilkie, 20, and Robert Krammer, 22, both of Earling. All three are reported in "good" condition at St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha.

The Sheriff's office at Papillion told The Journal that investigation of the accident was not completed. It was expected cause of the crash could be cleared up today. However, preliminary details of the crash reveal that the Mumm car went through a stop sign at the intersection, with Mumm stating that "I did not see it." It was too early to determine whether speed was involved in the crash, Sheriff Arp's office stated.

Mrs. Manroe, 32, daughter of the Lentz, moved here with her parents when a small child. Following grade school, she attended Plattsmouth High for a time, later transferring to Louisville schools where she was graduated. She was also a graduate of Wesleyan College at Lincoln.

Mr. Manroe, 32, was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Manroe of Omaha. He was associated with his father in the livestock commission business in that city, both well known among livestock men in Cass County.

Remains were taken to Crosby-Kunold Mortuary, 32nd Avenue and Farnam, Omaha.

Double funeral services will be held for the couple at 3 p.m. Wednesday, October 10, from St Luke's Church, 24th and I Streets; in So. Omaha.

The family states that remembrances can best be shown through spiritual bouquets.

## Police Save House From Destruction

Alertness on the part of city police Thursday night shortly after 1 o'clock, saved the residence property of Herbert Meyers, 909 Main Street, from serious damage by fire.

Officers Schneider and Chappell had driven up high school hill on their regular auto patrol, passing the Meyers place, noticed a fire on the porch, stopping they found a blaze working its way through the floor of the porch and already starting up the siding. Richard Renner, who lives in the second story, had been awakened by the smoke and joined the police in checking the fire. A garden hose was put in use and soon had the blaze extinguished.

Fire Chief Joe Kruntorad was notified by the police and hurried to the scene but a general fire alarm was not given as the blaze was under control.

It was found that the first floor of the house, unoccupied, had the floors sanded during the day and the sweepings had been placed in a cardboard box on the porch. The contents of the box had caused spontaneous combustion, destroyed the box and the fire had then spread over the floor and side of the house.

Due to the quickness of action on part of the police the loss will be very slight.

### Car Wrecked In Accident Near Union

A 1951 Chrysler driven by Robert E. Schreiner of Weeping Water was demolished when it left the road a mile west of Union Thursday night and struck a telephone pole which it snapped off.

Patrolman August Ihde, who investigated the accident, said the car went off the left side of the road after Schreiner apparently lost control of the vehicle. Schreiner was not injured.

### Lowell Hopkins Regular Mail Carrier Here

Lowell Hopkins, member of the force at the local U.S. postoffice, was promoted Saturday to a regular member of the city carrier force. "Gus" has been engaged as a substitute member of the force for the past ten years, entering on the work shortly after his discharge from the Navy in 1946.

Dennis Ptak who has been engaged as an extra member of the carrier force, is now the official substitute at the office.

Frank and Albert Schuldice of Omaha were in the city Thursday to look after some business matters.

## Search For William Cassidy, Wanted Here, Ends In Okla.

A nationwide search by police officers and the FBI for Wm. P. Cassidy wanted in Plattsmouth for car theft and attempted burglary, ended in Miami, Okla., Saturday, it was reported to Sheriff Tom Solomon.

Cassidy and another man were arrested there in a 1956 model car that had been stolen in Kansas. Cassidy, according to the sheriff, will be prosecuted by the FBI under the Dyer Act.

Arrest of the wanted man terminates a search that began here several weeks ago following an attempted breakin at Stites Implement Co. Apprehended in the act, local officers recovered a car registered to Cassidy's wife, a quantity of clothing, burglary tools, and other loot taken in recent robberies.

Cassidy eluded officers and has admitted stealing a pickup truck at Plattsmouth Motors lot which was later found in Nevada. He has also admitted his attempted breakin at Stites, according to the report received here.

### Suffered Broken Wrist In Accident

Dick March, Jr., is taking a vacation from his work at Offutt Field. He fractured his right hand and wrist at his home. He entered the Methodist hospital at Omaha Sunday for possible surgery on the injured member.

### Sale Barn Has Outstanding Sale

The Plattsmouth sale barn has an outstanding sale on Saturday September 29th that drew a large number of residents of this part of Nebraska and Iowa.

There were more than 100 head of livestock consigned, all were sold.

## High School Meetings For Young Farmers

The Plattsmouth High School will offer a series of educational meetings to Young Farmers of this area. Last year a series of meetings was offered to Adult Farmers only but this year a separate series will be offered for each age group.

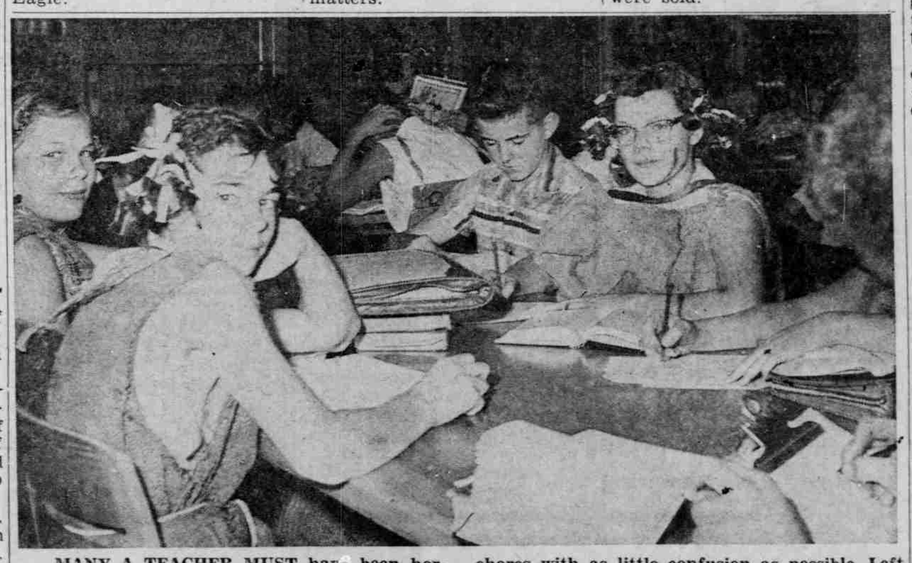
The Young Farmers group will consist of out of school young farm men under about 25 years of age. The first meeting will be in the High School Agriculture Room at 7:30 on Wednesday, October 10. The purpose of the first meeting will be to organize and select a series of topics that will be presented at the future meetings.

Don Hansen, Vocational Agriculture Instructor at the high school has mailed a number of invitations to attend to young men in the area. Mrs. Hansen hopes that anyone who may have been passed up with the invitation will feel free to attend. The group will not be restricted as to numbers but will be the better for a good turn-out.

The school will offer a series of meetings for Adult Farmers at a later time, probably after corn picking.

### Car Leaves Highway, Declared Total Loss

A car driven by L. H. Lovih, Tecumseh, left Highway 75 about 11 p.m. Saturday night on the curve south of the city. It plowed into guard posts, knocking down several and wound up in a ditch. No one was injured, but the car, a 1953 model, was declared a total loss.



MANY A TEACHER MUST have been horrified when freshman students showed up for classes Friday, but in spite of burlap gowns, topsy hairdos, and painted faces, classes went ahead on schedule. Here in study hall Friday a photographer caught this group doing their chores with as little confusion as possible. Left to right are Sharon Phillips, Nellie Plybon, (Nancy McConaughey ducked) George Porter and Ilene Porter. Connie Diggs just got in the edge of the picture. The hands belong to Delbert Crum.

—Journal Photo

### THE WEATHER

Compiled for the Plattsmouth Journal at the Masonic Home Weather Station, Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

October 4, 5, 6, 7, 1956

| | High | Low | Prec. |
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| Thursday | 83 | 42 | .00 |
| Friday | 83 | 33 | .00 |
| Saturday | 84 | 46 | .00 |
| Sunday | 73 | 46 | .00 |

Forecast: Sunny with cool wind, high's in 70's. Cool front coming in bringing cooler temperatures Tuesday.