

Two Seek Huge Sum For Hurts

Two persons seriously injured Jan. 9 in an auto crash which claimed the life of a third person have filed suits in District Court here asking a total of \$255,000 in damages.

Dr. Thomas Bolter and Genevieve Bolter, both of Omaha, filed their suits on Jan. 17 against George Gerdes, Alliance, husband of Minnie Gerdes, who was killed in the two car crashup 14 miles south of Plattsmouth.

Both suits charge negligence on the part of Mrs. Gerdes who was driving an auto which collided with one driven by Dr. Bolter during a snowstorm.

Dr. Bolter's litigation asks a total of \$125,000. He contends he received "severe, painful and permanent injuries both mental and physical," as a result of the crash.

The plaintiff also said he has lost and will suffer continued loss of earnings because he is unable to carry on as a practicing physician and surgeon. For the above, Dr. Bolter is asking \$100,000.

Dr. Bolter also is seeking \$5,000 for bills and expenses in connection with his wife's injuries and \$20,000 because he will be deprived of her companionship for an unknown period.

Mrs. Bolter is seeking \$100,000 for "severe painful and permanent injuries" in her suit which also charges Mrs. Gerdes with negligence in operation of her car at the time of the accident.

And she places a sum of \$25,000 on the fact her husband was hurt, "severely and permanently and she will be deprived of his companionship for an unknown period."

City Church Is Conducting Special Meets

Alfred H. Yale, a member of the quorum of 70 of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Days Saints, has begun a series of meetings in Plattsmouth as a part of the church's missionary endeavor. The meetings, which began yesterday, will continue through February with Rev. Yale preaching on Sundays and Wednesdays. Cottage meetings also have been scheduled through the endeavor period.

Rev. Yale, Topeka, Kans., is a graduate of William Jewell College and has done graduate work at Southern Methodist University school of theology. He has served in Utah, Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas as pastor, missionary, district president and youth camp director.

Several of Rev. Yale's sermons have been published in book form and he uses colored slides during cottage meetings. Photography has been his hobby since college days.

— Journal Want Ads Pay —



CASS COUNTY'S first baby of 1957 wasn't a bit interested in the cameraman's antics — he much preferred to sleep. The baby is Gerald Reichart, born January 3, to Mr. and Mrs. Don Reichart, 442 Ave. A, Plattsmouth. Gerald is the recipient of better than \$70 worth of prizes furnished by 18 city merchants. —Journal Photo

Solomon Alerts Farmers To Wire Thieving Operation

Farmers of Cass County today were warned by County Sheriff Tom Solomon to be on the alert for wire thieves who have been active in adjacent areas.

Sheriff Solomon said empty farm homes from Missouri to Glenwood, Ia., were stripped of all outside wiring between Wednesday and Saturday last week.

He said the thieves apparently used a long pole, snipping the wire off at the transformer and at the farm home, and then making off with the wire.

In view of the fact some farm homes are from 1/2 to 3/4 miles from transformers, the thieves seem to be making a "pretty good" haul of the expensive copper wiring, Solomon added.

Suit Is Filed To Seek Recovery Of Alleged Debt

A suit seeking to recover \$1,057.70 which allegedly was advanced the defendant in meat, cows and cash, has been filed in district court by Carl H. Barr against Vern Barr.

In his suit the plaintiff alleges made repeated demands for the advanced meat, cash and livestock valued at \$1,945 to the defendant and that the defendant paid back a total of \$887.30.

The plaintiff contends he has settlement upon the defendant who refuses to liquidate the balance.

Patrol Clocks Car Going Over 100 MPH

Driving at a speed which was too fast for radar to clock cost an Omaha driver a \$100 fine plus \$4 court costs levied by County Judge Raymond J. Case.

Jim Schum came across with presented by the Safety Patrol that amount after evidence was which showed Schum was traveling in "excess of 100 miles per hour."

The safety patrol told Judge Case its radar equipment only measured speeds "up to 100 miles per hour," and that the needle went by that mark when an auto driven by Schum pulled into the radar range.

In other actions: Edwin M. Hallberg, Wahoo, a total of \$29 for speeding; Lee R. Clark, Unadilla, \$14 for speeding; Lanny R. Niday, Nebraska City, \$19 for speeding.

Richard J. Kucera, Plattsmouth, \$14 for speeding; Marshall J. Clark, Bellevue, \$19 for speeding; and Terry Weldon, Morehead, Ia., \$35 for overweight on capacity plates.

Merle E. Burger, Falls City, \$54 for overload on axle; Eldeo W. Hansen, Elmwood, \$14 for speeding; and John Dempster, Tulsa, Okla., \$54 for overload on tandem axle.

Marvin L. Keeney, Osseo, Minn., \$54 for overweight on group of axles; and Russel J. Anspack, Kansas City, Mo., \$20 for speeding.

Say, "I Read it in The Journal!"

Contractors Given Go Ahead To Clear All Land At Refuge

Starting Gun Tuesday For C Of C Drive

Eleven two-man chamber of commerce membership teams Tuesday will jump from the starting line as the organization opens a whirlwind campaign for members.

The chamber this year—faced with an increased budget—hopes to attract a record number of members to its active roster. Budget of operation for the coming year has been set at \$12,005.04.

Overall direction of the drive for members is under the leadership of chamber vice president Don Wall, who today said he anticipates the campaign will be terminated this weekend.

Included on the two-man teams are: Walt Smith and George Smith; Walt Gleason and Bill Wetenkamp; Al Huebner and John Clodt; E. Elliott and Dale Bowman; Carl Schneider and Vic Schreiner; Marie Richards and Helen Lessman; Lyle Grove and Ed Ernst; Bill Knorr and C. Bullin; A. Linder and G. Cundall; Ray Uher and B. Eiting; and H. Freeburg and Wall. Bill Gunter is carried as a one-man team.

Each of the teams has been assigned a specific list of business houses to contact with a minimum individual pledge of \$12.

Drive director Wall said the chamber has set a target of 200 members for 1957. The roster held 154 members during 1956.

The stepped-up budget is accounted for in an increased recreational program and added cost of operating the Saturday free bridge program.

Retail Group Plans Program In Plattsmouth

Chamber of Commerce retail committee met this morning and listened to tentative proposals for promotional operations in Plattsmouth this year.

Among the programs discussed were the selection of a "Mother of the year," a new item on the promotion if it is launched; father of the year; dollar days and other items.

The retail committee also reportedly is seeking new ideas for promotions during the months to come. The group is headed by Mrs. Lyle Grove as chairman and will meet again Thursday.

The Women's division of the chamber has announced a "White Elephant Shop" day to be held in Plattsmouth Feb. 2. The sale will be held in the Woster building next to the Plattsmouth State Bank.

Chairman of the collection of merchandise is Mary Phyllis Bell, with Phyllis Brookhouser and Joan Smith co-chairman for the shop.

Persons wishing to donate items (they may be any kind) to this event are urged to do so. Chairman of the Women's division is Helen Lessman.

Plattsmouth Student At Iowa State Wins Scholastic Honor

Jerome Shellenbarger, electrical engineering student at Iowa State College, Ames, Ia., is one of 121 persons at the college to be named to Phi Kappa Phi, national scholastic honorary society for men and women.

Shellenbarger is the son of Clair Shellenbarger, 209 South 9th.

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

Jan. 17, 18, 19, 20, 1957
Date High Low Prec.
Thursday 26 15 .00
Friday 38 10 .00
Saturday 42 8 .00
Sunday 45 14 .00
Forecast: Low tonight in 20's. Rain turning to snow tonight and Tuesday. Northerly winds. Sun sets tonight at 5:25. Sun rises Tuesday at 7:45 a. m.



THE LATEST thing in automatic pin setting equipment has been installed and is in operation at the Bowlero, corner fifth and Ave. A. All eight alleys have been installed and is in devices which do away with human pinsetters. In the picture, Howard Hirz is shown pointing at one of the intricate machines. The metal bars stretching across the alley sweep up the pins depositing them on an endless belt at the rear, where they are inserted in the pinsetting machinery. The new equipment will give the Bowlero expanded hours of operation for open bowling on weekends and following league hours during the week. —Journal Photo

Ak-Sar-Ben Tourney Firing Begins Tuesday Afternoon

Ten tournament title-hungry teams will blast into action here in Plattsmouth during the four days (Tuesday through Friday) of the Ak-Sar-Ben cage meeting with Auburn and Wahoo to take the first bow at 4:30 p. m. Tuesday.

Three games will be played on each of the tournament's first two days of action with two games set for semi and final rounds on Thursday and Friday.

Although Omaha Westside has been installed as tourney favorite with Tecumseh given second spot Plattsmouth gained new stature last Friday night in the eyes of tourney observers by convincingly throttling Crete, 60-52.

The Blue Devils will enter action at 8 p. m. Wednesday against Valley wearing the cloak of "tourney dark horse."

Teams which will show in the tourney include: Omaha Westside, Tecumseh, Plattsmouth, Blair, Ralston, Auburn, Wahoo, Bellevue, Pawnee City and Valley.

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Prices for admission at the tournament have been set at 75 cents for adults and 50 cents for students during the first two days with \$1 for adults and 50 cents the prevailing prices at games on Thursday and Friday.

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Target Date Of May Set For Clearing

The State Game, Parks and Forestation Commission today announced approval of clearing the balance of land at Plattsmouth's newly designated game refuge and said the project should be completed by May.

Supervisor of construction and engineering Eugene Baker, speaking for the commission, said authorization was given because it became apparent the initial clearing project embracing about 500 acres wouldn't be sufficient to provide an adequate goose resting area which is the primary purpose of the refuge.

Two Plattsmouth contractors, William Babbitt and Lloyd Morehead, have been working at the refuge since late November. When the entire clearing program is completed more than 1,200 acres of the old rifle range north of this city will have been stripped of its tangled underbrush and trees.

Baker said the commission in recent weeks has run comparative figures to determine whether to farm it with state employee help or to lease out the ground to farmers. He said no decision on the matter as yet has been reached.

Although the commission will have to dig into additional state funds 75 per cent of the outlay will be refunded by the federal government.

Baker also said another project—the digging of two shoots—will have to wait until spring ground thaw. He said it is the commission's intention to excavate to below water level two shoots which will be 150 foot wide by one-half mile long.

Commission sources have said the game refuge north of this city, will, when completed, be "one of the showplaces of the nation for operations of this kind."

When the clearing is completed in May the department then will be ready to move on its spring planting program which will include several varieties of crops enticing to waterfowl.

The former rifle range had been the target of effort by many interested Plattsmouth and Cass County citizens who decried the waste of such land. After many months of trying the efforts have paid off—and soon the area will have a refuge which is expected will more than pay off in attracting wild fowl to the territory.

Outstanding 4-H Girls To Be Feted At Lions Club Meet
Over 50 outstanding 4-H Cass County girls from the Plattsmouth area will be guests of local Lions Club at its regular meeting Tuesday night.

The 4-H girls, all of whom have distinguished themselves in their fields will be honored and entertained with a special program for the event.

The agricultural committee and the program committee have combined their efforts to make this an outstanding event.

Want To Trade With Grandma?

Today's Life Adds Poundage

BY MARGARET DINGMAN
Women's Editor

Housewives take notice! If you picture yourself as an overweight housewife, don't blame yourself too much.

Today, one-story ramblers eliminate stair climbing, automatic dryers keep you from hanging out the wash, and the vacuum replaces the broom.

You are lucky if you can use up even 2,000 calories a day when sweeping or dusting consumes only 125; sewing or writing, 25 or 35; dressing or undressing, 48; ironing, 74; dishwashing, 74; polishing, 189.

Your mother used to be able to work off some 3,000 or more calories a day just keeping house.

Of course Grandma hadn't

heard of a bowling team in her day—much less a woman's bowling team! She worked off her excess poundage by doing push-ups on the old well pump handle, especially on wash days. She never dreamed her daughter would have it so easy with faucet running hot water, too as much as desired right into the automatic washer, that even shut itself off upon cycle completion.

Hauling wood in for the old cooking range was no pikers job, either, although Grandma considered that job one from the easy list of daily tasks.

Getting meals those days before refrigeration was not a snappy job either. Many trips were made from the cave or spring used for cooling purposes of cream, eggs, milk, meat, etc. If you ask me Grandma

had to be a pretty wise cook to make everything come out even, that is, food proportioned just right, so there would be no left-overs for spoilage or another trip to the cave.

How lazy we modern housewives must seem to Grandma, with prepared frozen complete dinners, brown and serve breads, pies, etc. available to us, if one has the price asked by the grocery man.

All these time consuming household chores left our mothers and grandmothers less time to attend teas, brunches, and club meetings that serve rich foods that add pounds.

How many of us would trade our days with Grandma's day—or how many Grandma's would trade their days for ours?



MORE MONEY into the March of Dimes till resulted recently from a coffee held at the home of Mrs. Roy Tlustos. Attending were teachers from the city schools system. Those present included (front row, left to right): Helen Nedenreip, Pat Zanders and Nancy Darrah. Back row (left to right): Mrs. Alfce, Jerry Allen, Carol Lutman, Donna Ruth, Lulu Rhoden, Betty Tlustos and Peggy Brookhouser. —Journal Photo