



EMPLOYEES of Plattsmouth district of Consumers recently were honored at a safety award program at which this district was presented a plaque for over 12 years of work without a lost time accident and several safe driving awards made. Shown are (bottom row, left to right): Millard Mehring, William Highfield, Gerald Otterstein, Jack Glaze and Frank McCormick. Back row (left to right): Neil Henry, Ernie Elliott, Charlie Christensen, John Schutz and Ken-ny Wright. —Journal Photo

Chamber Launches Final Effort For New Members In Area

Mothers' March For Polio Gets Better Results In City Area Than Anticipated

The Mothers' March Thursday evening to gather funds to continue "the fight against polio," collected \$341.98 but March chairman Mrs. Lloyd Fitch said she anticipated further collections would swell the final tabulation.

The \$341, however, mirrored the lag generally noted in all portions of Nebraska and the nation in this year's campaign for funds. The Mothers' March in Plattsmouth last year collected \$429.

But Mrs. Fitch said she and other Dimes officials were "quite pleased" with the Thursday evening results for they didn't expect donations to reach the figure they did.

Dimes drive authorities the nation over this year have had to combat a general feeling of apathy stemming apparently from the misleading belief "since the advent of Salk vaccine the fight against polio has been won."

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis repeatedly has stressed as long as there remain victims of polio the battle must continue because those afflicted must be rehabilitated to the greatest extent possible.

In connection with this polio story, the Journal would like to correct an erroneous statement appearing in the last Thursday

edition. It was announced then Francis Cook had been receiving help from the polio foundation.

Although the Cook youngster is suffering the effects of polio, no funds have been used from the polio foundation as the Cook family insurance coverage has handled expenses to date.

The March of Dimes fund campaign in Plattsmouth officially ended Thursday evening with the Mothers' March. But more contributions are expected.

Mrs. Fitch said since the March she has received calls from several persons announcing they wished to make contributions and she also disclo-

ed receipt of a donation from Mt. Carmel, Pa., sent in by Mrs. Sybil Hetrick.

A total of 35 women took part in the March with representatives from several women's groups of Plattsmouth and volunteers from city areas included.

Total donations in Plattsmouth for the 1956 March of Dimes reached \$1,780.61.

To date the drive has collected the \$341 from the March, plus another \$395.70, for slightly over \$700 so far counted. Those figures, however, do not contain monies which will be received from the iron lung canisters placed in business houses or school coin boxes.

Full Report To Be Given Early Tuesday

A meeting slated for 9:30 a. m. Tuesday may determine whether the 1957 Chamber of Commerce membership campaign will go over the top.

The C of C's membership committee is scheduled to meet at that time to hear full reports on the drive for members to the organization which has been underway here in recent days.

Although the first reports gave the campaign a rather gloomy outlook, chamber officials expect Tuesday's meeting to actually disclose whether 1957 membership will exceed that of 1956.

Chamber of Commerce Vice President Don Wall, who is in charge of the membership drive, today said he was "most optimistic" the campaign would succeed.

The chamber this year set a goal of 200 members for 1957 and if reached would surpass the 157 recorded for 1956.

Wall attributed bad weather as a major factor in slowing down the member drive, but he said membership committeemen would be in force today and early Tuesday in a final all out effort to apply the clincher to success.

The vice president described Tuesday's morning meeting as the "big day." And he pointed out many members of the committee would be making initial reports of members obtained during the campaign.

It was reported in the Hill City News (bulletin issued by the chamber) last week the drive had secured 47 members.

However, Wall emphasized this was only a partial report and many membership committee members remain to be heard from.

The chamber during 1957 hopes to launch an expanded program and has instituted an estimated \$12,000 budget for the plan. Included among chamber activities slated for enlargement are city recreation and the bridge program.

In 1956 the free bridge program attracted over 17,000 Iowa cars to Plattsmouth. The C of C hopes to increase that figure to 20,000 for the next months of operation.

C Of C Speaks Out Against Sales Tax Bill

Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce, through its manager, Dale Bowman, last week joined five other chambers of commerce in opposing a Lincoln public hearing two legislative bills on a 2 per cent sales tax and an income and retail sales and use tax act.

Included among the cities entering opposition to the proposed bills were: Fairbury, Talmage, South Sioux City and Omaha, Lincoln, an inland city, offered the only chamber of commerce favoring a sales tax.

Bowman read before the hearing a petition signed by the chamber's retail division and also spoke of the increase in Iowa business crossing the Missouri River following the last rise in Iowa state sales tax.

Plattsmouth C of C representative Bowman did not take a stand for or against the income tax as he was unacquainted with that particular phase of the legislation.

However, the Omaha Board of Education entered vocal opposition to this section even though the proposed bill would give schools a large part (60 per cent) of the income tax.

The Omaha Board of Education called the bill "poorly written and misleading."

Driving And Drinking Has Sad Results

While the past week was rather drab and quiet in the domain of Police Magistrate James H. Graves, the close brought in a very good financial "take" in the windup.

Two were before the court this morning. Robert Satterlee of Glenwood was in court charged with operating a car on a suspended license that cost him \$25, reckless driving that netted \$10 and drinking in a car another \$10 or a grand total of \$49. James F. Wiley, also of Glenwood, drew \$10 and costs of \$4 for drinking in a car.

The men were apprehended by Officers Schneider and Chappell and brought to court by Officer Jenkins.

The financial settlement was made, the parties sent on their way, but not rejoicing.

Local Power District Sets Unique Record

Employees of Consumers Public Power District's Plattsmouth District were honored Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 29 during a special safety meeting held in Plattsmouth.

Employees of Consumers Public Power District have a most unique and commendable safety record, having worked over a period of 4,806 days to Jan. 1, 1957 and a total of 487,078 hours since May 22, 1944 without a disabling (lost-time) accident.

Consumer's Safety Supervisor M. M. Mehring of Columbus, praised the employees for their safe work without injury over the 12½ year period.

Although six other districts worked without a disabling injury during 1956, Plattsmouth District employees are the only group to ever achieve such a long period without a personal injury accident.

In addition to the personal safety record, Plattsmouth District employees operated all motor vehicles without a single accident during 1956.

Mehring pointed out that to achieve the record established by the local employees over such a long period of time was not a matter of luck, but was the result of each employee's cooperation to work every job in the safest possible manner.

Framed safety award certificates were presented to Manager Ernest Elliott and all employee drivers received safe driver award cards during the meeting.

'White Elephant' Sale Goes Over Early Estimates

Saturday's "White Elephant Sale" conducted in Plattsmouth today was termed a "definite success," by Helen Lessman, chairman of the women's division of the Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce.

The all day sale, held in the Woster building, was sponsored by the C of C's women's division.

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Conrad R. Baugh, Omaha, \$14 for speeding; Maxine Mande, Omaha, \$19 on a speed count; Thomas E. Wharton, Lincoln, \$14 for speeding; Jan Blythe McWilliams, Sidney, \$14 for speeding; and Loren Charles Hackins, Lincoln, \$5 for no operator's license.

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Cars Crash On 34 Near Eagle

During the icy conditions of the highways the last of the week, a two car mixup on highway 34, five miles east of Eagle, caused injury to Mrs. Georgia Penrod, 27, of Lincoln. She was taken to the Bryan Memorial Hospital in Lincoln. Also injured but released after treatment were Roscoe Penrod and Mrs. Dorothy Kushner.

Mrs. Penrod suffered a fractured shoulder and a fractured leg in the accident.

High Honor Is Given To Ex-Resident

Louis W. Lohnes, native of Plattsmouth, long time employee of the St. Louis district Corps of Engineers, has been selected for a very high honor, that of candidate for the "Federal Civil Servant of the Year" award.

This award is sponsored by the Greater St. Louis Federal Business Association and the Federal Personnel Council of St. Louis.

The meeting for presentation was held at St. Louis on Wednesday, Jan. 16, largely attended as the event was one of the features of the year in civic activities.

The federal employee in St. Louis are who in the past year contributed most to the prestige of all federal employees through exemplary work performance and outstanding community service was honored.

Mr. Lohnes, a veteran of the St. Louis District Corps of Engineers, was selected from this group of federal employees.

He has been in the engineering force for the past 20 years in various capacities starting as a trainer and teacher in safety first, being engaged in the local field for some time, later sent to Denver for several years service. Later he was sent to the district office of the Engineers at St. Louis where he has spent the past few years.

Lohnes has been a frequent visitor here in the past years with his late parents and with his brother, Elmer Lohnes and family. Mrs. Lohnes is also a Plattsmouth native, being the former Marjorie Shopp, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shopp.

City Church Sets Birthday Fete In July

The 100th anniversary celebration of Plattsmouth's First Methodist Church will be held Sunday, July 7, it has been announced by the pastor, Rev. E. S. DeSpain.

Rev. DeSpain said it originally had been intended to hold the celebration in June, but the date was changed to meet the availability of Methodist Bishop H. Bascom Watts.

Rev. DeSpain said the bishop could only appear for the program on that day.

Other activities planned by the church for its centennial celebration include an afternoon program, Sunday July 7, at which Dr. A. W. Laphorne, district superintendent of the Omaha district of Methodist churches, will be the featured speaker. There also will be a short memorial service in connection with the afternoon program.

One of the celebration's top events will be held that same Sunday evening when a banquet is given in Lions Club building.

Dr. James S. Chubb, pastor of Holy Trinity Methodist Church, Grand Island, one of the Methodist Church's outstanding ministers will be the guest speaker. Dr. Chubb recently was named Grand Island's "Man of the Year."

Rev. DeSpain said special committees have been formed in order to make further arrangements for the centennial observance.

County's Christmas Seal Total Short Of Last Year's Mark

Cass County in January still had approximately \$60 to go to reach the total sale of Christmas seals for 1955.

On Jan. 5, the county had recorded \$1,316.12 in sales for the 1956 campaign. On Jan. 6, 1956, the county had collected a total of \$1,209.40.

Final figures for 1955, however, disclosed \$1,377.30 in Christmas seals had been sold county residents.

State To Call For Road Bids North Of City

Nebraska is going to make another attempt at finishing the bridge north of Oreadopolis which now stands as a fine structure with two exceptions—cars can neither get on nor off because there are neither approach or exit roads.

The state first asked for bids last fall and contractors apparently ignored the call because no bids were entered for the project.

Sealed bids will be received at the office of the Department of Roads and Irrigation at Lincoln until 10 a. m. February 23 and at that time bids will be publicly opened.

The state is calling for grading, concrete pavement, culverts, one viaduct, guard rail, crushed rock at course, asphaltic concrete surface course and incidental work.

The proposed work consists of constructing 1.1 miles of paved road.

Each bidder must be qualified to submit a proposal for any part or all of this work as provided in legislative bill No. 187, of the 1955 legislative session.

County Marks 13 Accidents On Saturday

Icy conditions Saturday on the stretch of highway south of Plattsmouth were said to be responsible for a flurry of accidents which plagued Cass County sheriff's office and members of the Nebraska State Safety Patrol.

Thirteen separate accidents were recorded during the afternoon and evening as a moist drizzle which froze almost instantly on contact with the highway filmed the artery.

Law enforcement officials were kept so busy the Safety Patrol found it necessary to send in two extra troopers to aid in keeping tabs on the crack-ups.

Two five-car accidents occurred almost simultaneously. Shrader Rhoden was investigating one five-car pileup south of the Murray corner, Safety Patrolmen were called to probe a second five-car smashup north of the Murray corner.

No personal injuries but considerable property damage was noted in the 13 accidents.

Sunny skies Sunday soon cleared the road of its dress of ice, and it is reported today traffic is moving normally.

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Teachers' Tea Called 'Success'

Although not quite reaching expectations in attendance, the Sunday afternoon tea given by the women's division of the Plattsmouth Chamber of Commerce for city school teachers nevertheless was considered a success.

With Mrs. Ed Ernst acting as hostess, and members of the C of C assisting, the tea was held between 2 p. m. and 4 p. m. at the First Methodist Church in this city.

The program was under the general direction of Helen Lessman, chairman of the women's division, with Mrs. Lyle Grove in charge of table decorations.

Continuous music was played during the afternoon affair which was designed as a "get-acquainted" event for teachers of the Plattsmouth school system and

County Board Meet

Cass County commissioners at 10 a. m. Tuesday will meet in regular session in commission offices of the county courthouse, County Clerk Charles Land today said as far as can be determined at this time the meeting will be "routine" with major action centering about approval of bill for payment.

Nitrogen Division Transfers O'Reilly To New York

G. B. "Jerry" O'Reilly, paymaster at the Allied Chemical and Dye Corp., plant north of Plattsmouth since its opening three years ago, has been promoted to a central payroll division in the New York office, it was announced this week by E. F. Fielder, director of administration.

While Mr. O'Reilly and family have made their home in Omaha since coming to Nebraska, they have many friends and are well known in Plattsmouth.

Mr. O'Reilly departed to take over his new position over the weekend. His wife and daughter, Barbara, will move to New York following the present school term.

Dale M. Naylor has been promoted to succeed Mr. O'Reilly as paymaster of the Nitrogen plant.

Mrs. Ruth Patton Triplett, former Cass County Treasurer and for the past three years personal secretary of Manager Riggs, has been selected to take over editorship of "Nitrogen Division Life," company monthly house organ, for the Omaha Division, a position formerly held by Mr. O'Reilly.

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Sheriff's Office Gives Initial Alert Of Break

Cass County Sheriff's office Saturday night issued the first radio pickup for three Otoe County jail escapees who made their bid for freedom after beating and locking the Otoe County sheriff in a cell.

The three, described as "armed and dangerous," were captured Sunday night as they ran across a pasture seven miles west of Winona, Kan.

They are: Roger McQueen, Roger Lofton and Larry Wray.

Cass County Sheriff Tom Solomon said he sent out the regional alarm after hearing Ne-

braska City police called to the county jail there to investigate the breakout.

Both Sheriff Solomon and Deputy Sheriff Shrader Rhoden joined other law enforcement officers in setting up road blocks in this vicinity Saturday night and Sunday night. Both officers were on duty until early Sunday in the original effort to nab the jailbreakers.

It is reported the successful break was made as Sheriff Ralph Hall of Otoe County was returning one of the prisoners to his cell after being allowed to make a phone call.

The men pummeled Sheriff Hall then locked him in a cell. They are said to have obtained weapons from a room near the cell block and then took off in Sheriff Hall's car.

During their bold bid for freedom the trio is said to have stolen at least four more cars. They were being held in Otoe County jail on a charge of breaking into a Syracuse filling station on what was said to be a flight from a jail break in Topeka, Kan. They had been apprehended in Grand Island and returned to Nebraska City.

County 4-H Leaders Attend Lincoln Meet

Nine Cass County residents were reported as among better than 400 persons who attended the annual 4-H leader training program which ended in Lincoln, Saturday, Feb. 2.

Present from Cass County during the four-day sessions were: Mrs. Henry Vinduska, Plattsmouth; Weldon Stoehr, Plattsmouth; Dale Hild, Louisville; Mrs. Sam Long, South Ashland; Mrs. Frank Nichols, Plattsmouth; Ernest Otto, Greenwood; Glen Kraeger, Plattsmouth; Harold Hauschild, Avoca; and Walter Saxton, Weeping Water.

The meeting included discussions of the objectives of 4H training in various subject matter fields, and recreational activities.

Extension specialists at the college of agriculture brought club leaders up to date on project materials in foods, home living, clothing, dairy, animal husbandry, field crops and soil conservation, electrical garden and yard beautification and tractor.

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THE WEATHER
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Jan. 31, Feb. 1, 2, 3, 1957	High	Low	Free.
Thursday	29	20	00
Friday	34	15	00
Saturday	25	16	trace
Sunday	40	16	00

Forecast: Low tonight around 18. Mostly sunny Tuesday with mild temperatures in 30's. Sun sets tonight at 5:44. Sun rises Tuesday at 7:32 a. m.