

THE PLATTSMOUTH JOURNAL

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JUNIOR HIGH ROYALTY—Dona Steppat and Dick Spangler, Queen and King of the Junior High Christmas party Friday night at the high school auditorium, pose surrounded by admiring classmates. The Queen and King were elected by vote of the student body.

Courthouse To Close at 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22

The Cass County Courthouse will close at 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 22, instead of the usual 5 p.m., so that the County Officials, their Deputies and Clerks can have their annual Christmas party.

Christmas Mail Rush Hits Peak

Have you noticed the Christmas rush of mail at your house or place of business? Terrific, isn't it? Now, multiply it by several thousand and picture a handful of men buried in the result.



THE \$64 DOLLAR QUESTION—This young lad ponders the Yuletide question deluge, "And what do you want Santa to bring you this Christmas?" Santa holds personal audiences with young admirers at Santa Land, sponsored by Plattsmouth's Chamber of Commerce. To see Santa, come to downtown Plattsmouth.

Roeber Heads 4-H Council

The Cass County 4-H Council has chosen a new 4-H chairman, Leonard Roeber of Ashland, was elected to this office at the annual meeting of the Council.

Mrs. Emil Koukal Dies at 63; Funeral Tuesday

Mrs. Emil Koukal, 63, a life-long resident of the Plattsmouth community, died Friday at St. Catherine Hospital in Omaha after an illness of four years.

VFW Toy Shop To Be Open Thursday, Friday

Commander Harold Dukes of the Veterans of Foreign Wars today announced the opening of the VFW toy shop for needy children of the community.

Dona Steppat, Dick Spangler 'Winter Wonderland' Royalty

Dick Spangler and Dona Steppat were crowned King and Queen of "Winter Wonderland" at the Plattsmouth Junior High Christmas Party, Friday, Dec. 15. Both students are in the 8th grade.

No Objection To Assessments

Special assessments to cover cost of construction of street improvements in Districts 151 and 152—12 Street from 4th to Oakmont and paving in Ideal Heights Addition—were levied Monday night by the City Council after an adjustment and equalization hearing at which no objection to the proposed assessments was raised.

Annual Kids Movie Set for Saturday

The Plattsmouth Junior Chamber of Commerce and Mrs. Jaycees will stage their annual Christmas movie party for kids Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at the High School Auditorium.

Chorus Presents 'Sound of Christmas' Tonite

The Plattsmouth High Concert Choir and small groups will present their annual Christmas program tonight at 7:30 in the high school auditorium.

Mrs. Anna Martis Dies; Rites Thursday

Mrs. Anna Martis, 75, died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Anna Bergman. The deceased was a resident of Manley.

School's Out Friday For Xmas Holidays

School will be dismissed here Friday for the Christmas holidays.

Cass County of the Week

Mrs. C. D. Spangler Nostalgically Recalls Town of Eight Mile Grove

THE WEATHER
Dec. 14, 15, 16, 17, 1961
Date High Low Prec.
Thursday 14 0 .15
Friday 18 0 .00
Saturday 26 24 .00
Sunday 28 18 tr.
Forecast: Cloudy, windy, high in mid-30's. Possible snow tonight.
Sun sets tonight at 4:56; rises Tuesday at 7:45 a.m.

Mrs. C. D. Spangler Nostalgically Recalls Town of Eight Mile Grove

In 1881, King sold his store to W. Jenkins who lived a half mile south. Jenkins decided the town wasn't complete without a recreation center so he tore down the old store and moved the lumber to his home where he put up a new store with a dance hall on the second floor.



PARCELS APLENTY—Postmaster Vern Hendricks of Plattsmouth stacks up another Christmas package—just one of many and many such stacks the Post Office has handled this Christmas season. Hendricks reports parcel post incoming volume nearly 35 per cent above last year's Dec. 1-16 volume.

Improvement of Cedar Creek Road Proposed to Council

Possibility of surfacing the Cedar Creek (Cemetery) Road was discussed Friday night by the City Council.

Fire Fund \$1,404 Now

The current and continuing voluntary drive for funds to purchase more lifesaving and firefighting equipment for the Plattsmouth Volunteer Fire Department's use in this area today reached \$1,404.50.

- COMMISSION MEETING
The Cass County Board of Commissioners is meeting at the Courthouse here today and Tuesday. It's the regular second meeting of December.
- TRUCK HITS TRUCK
A 1955 Ford truck driven by George B. Baxter of Omaha for Continental Baking Co. of Omaha, hit a parked 1961 Chevrolet truck owned by Ticketter Construction Co. of Plattsmouth Saturday about 9:15 a.m. on 4th Street near 1st Avenue. Damage was about \$75 to the Ford, about \$235 to the parked truck.