

BERTHA LUCILLE STRONG

Bertha Lucille Strong met a tragic death on Highway No. 20, thirteen miles southeast of O'Neill about five o'clock last Monday morning when the Model T Ford car in which she was riding ran off the highway and turned over, pinning her body under the car.

Bertha, in company with Miss Mabel Beck, of Ewing, was returning from Ewing, Nebraska, to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Strong, ten miles north of Page. Miss Beck states that she was driving the car at the time of the accident; she says that undoubtedly she fell asleep for an instant, the car crossed the road and left the grade; the tracks show that the driver made a desperate effort to bring the car onto the grade again but it turned over, causing the death of Miss Bertha.

The remains were brought to the Biglin undertaking parlors in O'Neill where the body was prepared for burial.

Funeral services were held in the Biglin funeral parlors Tuesday forenoon; the remains were shipped to Norfolk, Wednesday morning where they were interred in the Norfolk cemetery.

Six little girls from Emmet were the pall-bearers: Lulu Beebe, Laura Abart, Maxine McConnell, Dorothy Sessler, Thelma Dellegge and Lucille Lowery.

Bertha was born May 5, 1916, at Pierce, Nebraska; her parents later resided at Emmet, Ewing and Norfolk, coming to Holt county about two years ago and located at Ewing where they made their home until this spring when they moved to their present home twelve miles east of O'Neill.

The deceased leaves her parents and four brothers, Leo, Robert, Edwin and George to mourn her early death.

Mrs. Roy Warner, accompanied by her son Delbert, and daughter, Miss Dona Rae, went to Stanton, Nebraska, Wednesday for a visit with relatives. Her mother, Mrs. Ed Wells, who was at the Warner home visiting for several days, accompanied her.

THE REDBIRD-O'NEILL BASEBALL GAME SUNDAY

The O'Neill ball team drove to Redbird last Sunday where they were scheduled to meet the Redbird team. Everything went well until the latter half of the first inning when some of the O'Neill team took exceptions to a decision made by Chas. Richter, the umpire for Redbird and corroborated by Jack Waldron, the O'Neill umpire. At this stage of the game the O'Neill captain refused to continue the game, picked up the bats and called his team from the field; five of the players quit but the balance remained and recruited their team and continued to play ball; seven of the team that continued to play were employees of the Interstate Power Company. It is deeply regretted by the people of O'Neill that the eruption occurred and that the team did not finish the game as begun. Baseball is supposed to be a friendly past-time between teams; difficulties such as occurred Sunday could and should be ironed out without bringing undue censor upon the entire populace of O'Neill. The people of O'Neill deeply regret the unpleasant situation that has arisen and would ask the people of Redbird to overlook the incident and not censor the whole town for the action of the few players that quit the game.

COMPLETION OF HIGHWAY NO. 13 IS ASSURED

Word has been received from State Engineer Cochran that contracts will be let on July 9th for completion of portions of Highway No. 13. When these contracts are let, all of this highway will be constructed or under contract of construction.

In addition to the work on No. 13 seven miles more of grading and surfacing on Highway No. 54 between Atkinson and Burwell will be contracted for at the same time.

We understand these contracts are all that will be let this year for new construction.

Contract for re-oiling of about a mile and one-half of No. 13 between Chambers and O'Neill will be awarded at the same time as the two contracts mentioned above.

Clarence Rasley came up from Norfolk Monday for a visit with friends.

CELEBRATION CALLED OFF;

The Fourth of July celebration advertised last week to be pulled off in O'Neill this year has been called off. The committee in charge of arrangements held a meeting Tuesday and decided that the interest taken in the celebration would not justify further effort.

The business men were interviewed quite generally last week by a committee consisting of Dr. C. H. Lubker, L. A. Jones and Peter Todsden; they reported that they met with practically no opposition from the business men until after the list of committees were appointed when many of the appointees refused to function.

Many excuses were advanced this week why a celebration should not be staged this year. The principal reason was the lack of time to properly prepare the event; another reason was the cost; many merchants are of the opinion that the money that would be spent for arrangements and entertainment should be conserved for other purposes owing to the crop outlook, the depression, etc., all of which has plenty of merit.

Many places in this part of the state are going to celebrate so our people will have no difficulty in finding a suitable place to spend the day.

FISHING PARTY WILL GO TO MINNESOTA LAKES

A fishing party consisting of Geo. Harrington, Ira Moss, H. J. Hammond, M. H. McCarthy, M. H. Horiskey and Wm. Martin expect to leave next Saturday morning for the lakes in north central Minnesota. The first stop will be made at Park Rapids, where the "large" ones are supposed to have made reservations for the season.

FARM RESIDENCE BURNED LAST MONDAY EVENING

The farm residence of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Chase, residing north of Opportunity postoffice was destroyed by fire last Monday evening between seven and ten o'clock.

The family left home about seven o'clock and returned about ten to find their home in ashes. We did not learn the cause of the fire.

ANDREW W. CAMPBELL FINED ON THREE COUNTS

Andrew W. Campbell of Stuart, Nebraska was arrested by Federal Officer George Bay, accompanied by Constable H. W. Tomlinson of O'Neill and Nightwatchman O. R. Leach, of Stuart, about 12:15 o'clock last Sunday morning when the officers named entered the residence of Mr. Campbell at Stuart and found about fifty quarts of beer, ten gallons of beer mash, four and one-half pints of shine and 1 pint of alcohol.

For some time the officers have had Mr. Campbell and his son William under observation and were awaiting their time to grab them. The officers learned that William was going to Pony Lake in Rock County Saturday night where a dance was to be held; it was arranged between Officer Bay and Joe Leonard, the sheriff of Rock county, that Leonard was to superintend the taking of William while Officer Bay would see that Andy was cared for.

Everything seemed to work out as planned; Officer Bay and party went to the Campbell home in Stuart about midnight just in time to see several customers enter the house; the official party discovered that they were compelled to pass the inspection of a couple of large dogs which were chained near the entrance; it seems that the dogs could not distinguish the difference between the officers and the regular customers and did not make any noise when they entered the shed over the rear door; when the officers entered the kitchen the visitors were in the act of drinking what was supposed to be beer from vessels which resembled tomato cans; there was some change on the bar as the result of the recent purchases.

Soon after the entrance to the kitchen, Mr. Tomlinson escorted Mr. Campbell to an inner room where he began reading the warrant to him; about this time the other officers discovered that Campbell had secured a thirty-two revolver and might attempt to use it; Mr. Bay managed to get to Campbell and pin his arm while the other officers succeeded in getting the gun from him before it was discharged.

A short time later it is alleged Campbell offered the officers from \$100 to \$150 if they would let him go; he seemed to be considerably disturbed to think that the officers insisted on taking him to the county jail. The party arrived in O'Neill about four o'clock Sunday morning.

When the officers entered the Campbell residence three citizens of Stuart were guests of the place. After searching the house the officers discovered that a young lady from Los Angeles, California, occupied a bedroom and was apparently asleep during the excitement. Campbell is a widower and his son is a single man.

One or two of the visitors stated that "this was my first trip to the place," that "I just came for a cup of coffee;" the Campbell's operate a "Coffee Shop" according to a sign that hangs in the south gable of the residence.

The Campbells came to Stuart last fall and purchased the stuccoed residence in the southeastern part of the village on Highway No. 20; we understand that they came from Omaha where they are known by federal officers; the people of Stuart are highly elated that the place has been cleaned up.

Campbell was arraigned in county court Tuesday where he pleaded guilty to the possession of intoxicating liquor, resisting an officer and attempt bribery. On the liquor charge he was fined \$100 and costs, or a total of \$118.50; for resisting an officer the fine and costs were \$53.25; the penalty for attempting to bribe was placed at \$300 which is the minimum; the costs were \$3.25. He was unable to raise all of the money for the fines at this time but expects to do so soon. He is boarding for the present with the sheriff.

Federal Officer George Bay and H. W. Tomlinson were in Ainsworth today; they report that Wm. Campbell is in a very critical condition.

The following story taken from the Sioux City Journal explains what happened to William Campbell when he went to Pony Lake last Saturday night:

ALLEGED SELLER OF RUM BATTLES WITH PURSUERS

Ainsworth, Neb.—William Campbell, of Stuart, is in a hospital in Ainsworth suffering from three bullet wounds he received in an exchange of shots with Sheriff Joe Leonard and Deputy Will Page, near Pony lake, southeast of here.

According to Sheriff Leonard, the Campbell family, living at Stuart, has been operating a bootlegging business and the sheriff and federal agents decided to "clean them out." The federal officers went to the Campbell place at Stuart and arrested the elder Campbell, taking him to jail in O'Neill.

Sheriff Leonard and Deputy Page went to Pony lake where they reported that they found William Campbell dispensing beer and liquor at a dance hall, from ice chests in his automobile. Young Campbell made his escape in the car and refused to surrender to the officers. They chased

HOLT COUNTY GRADUATES FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA



Raymond Collins Atkinson, Roland Brady Atkinson, Phyllis Rhodes Stuart, Clarence Silverstrand Atkinson

Five Holt county students graduated from the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, at the annual commencement exercises held June 6th. They are: Clarence Silverstrand, Raymond E. Collins and Roland Brady, from Atkinson; Phyllis Janet Rhodes, of Stuart, and Velma Lucy Sexsmith, from O'Neill. A picture of Miss Sexsmith was not available. Miss Rhodes received her degree from the College of Pharmacy. She was a member of Kappa Epsilon and Iota Sigma Pi, honorary societies.

She was also a member of the Pharmaceutical Club.

Mr. Brady graduated from the College of Medicine. He is a member of Alpha Sigma Phi, and Phi Chi.

Mr. Collins graduated from the Teacher's College.

Mr. Silverstrand graduated from the College of Business Administration where he was a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, honorary society.

Miss Sexsmith completed her course in nursing at Omaha,

AMERICAN LEGION ENTERTAIN STATE OFFICERS

Simonson Post of the American Legion entertained at an 8 o'clock dinner at the Golden Hotel, Friday evening, honoring their State Commander, Marcus L. Potet and State Adjutant Hank Dudley, both of Lincoln. The affair was a success from every angle; everyone present thoroughly enjoyed the talks made by the state officers and others. A number of business men were guests at the dinner.

THE BOY SCOUTS ARE CAMPING OUT

Twelve of the O'Neill Boy Scouts departed by truck for the camp on the Niobrara river near the power dam last Tuesday afternoon where they become part of a group of about fifty Scouts from over the North Central District which comprises Holt, Boyd, and a part of Antelope and Knox counties.

The camp is under the direction of Superintendent Crow of Pender, Nebraska and will continue for eight days.

The following Scouts from O'Neill are attending the camp:

- Bennett Heriford
- Francis Soukup
- Thomas Liddy
- Burdette Miller
- Hugh Ryan
- Jo Willis Cadwell
- Leonard Bergstrom
- Robert Calvert
- Rolland Crellin
- Garland Bressler
- Gene Rummel
- William Lubker

O'NEILL WINNER OF SUIT INVOLVING \$7,000 BONDS

The City of O'Neill was winner in its suit brought to force State Auditor Marsh to register the \$7,000 in bonds voted by its citizens. The state will appeal the decision of District Judge James Chappell at Lincoln.

The state auditor held that O'Neill did not have a right under the section of the statutes under which it issued fire department bonds. It was contended by the auditor that bonds cannot be issued by a city of the second class excepting where permission is specifically given in the statutes.

JUVENILE SOCIETY NOTES

Miss Harriet Hammond entertained at a birthday picnic on June 17th.

Miss Lou Birmingham entertained at a dancing party at the Idle Hour, Wednesday afternoon, in honor of her fourth birthday. Her guests were Misses Donna Gallagher and Lorraine Agnes and Masters Joe Biglin, Jimmy Golden and Jerry Brennan.

Bert Shoemaker, of Stuart, transacted business in O'Neill, Monday.

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