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JAMES F. O'DONNELL PIONEER CITIZEN PASSED AWAY LAST THURSDAY NIGHT

He Had Been A Resident of the County Practically All His Life and Prominent in Civic Affairs

James F. O'Donnell passed away at his home in this city last Thursday evening about 11:30 after an illness of less than a week of heart failure, which was brought on by a thrombosis in the intestinal tract, at the age of 65 years, five months and ten days.

James F. O'Donnell was born at Hazelton, Pa., on March 12, 1875, and came to O'Neill with his parents in September, 1877, when he was about two and one-half years old, and practically his entire life was spent in this city and, since he reached manhood's estate he had been a prominent citizen of this city and always interested in the welfare and advancement of his city, county and state.

On November 12, 1902, he was united in marriage to Miss Leone Skirving. Five children were born of this union, one son and four daughters, who with their mother, are left to mourn the passing of a kind, affectionate and dutiful husband and father. The children are: Mrs. Z. W. Credle, Omaha; Mrs. L. M. Rieckhoff, Evanston, Ill.; Hugh J. and Grace, of Omaha; Louise O'Donnell at home. He is also survived by four brothers and five sisters. They are John O'Donnell, Omaha; P. J. O'Donnell, O'Neill; Ed O'Donnell, Okmulgee, Okla.; M. F. O'Donnell, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Bea Rentsler, O'Neill; Mrs. E. J. Lyman, Omaha; Miss Anna O'Donnell, O'Neill; Mrs. Quinten Deaver, Montevideo, Uruguay; Mrs. J. H. McInerney, Cheyenne, Wyoming. All his five brothers and sisters were here a few days before his death and in attendance at the funeral, except Mrs. Deaver, of Uruguay.

The sudden death of James F. O'Donnell was a severe shock to his many friends in this city and county. A week ago Thursday he was around town as usual and seemingly in the best of health. Outside of having a case of small pox some forty years ago he was never known to have been sick. In his younger years he was active as a baseball player on our local teams and with the passing of the years he took up golf and became quite proficient in the game. He loved to hunt and there has not been a fall for forty-five years that he has not been in the fields after the elusive chicken, duck and then the pheasant and the exercise he received on these various trips it is thought should have kept him in fine physical condition. Of course years spent in an office is not conducive to a robust constitution, but if any one in the city had it, that person was Jas. O'Donnell. He was a genial and companionable man, outstanding in any group for his many witticisms and was perfectly at home in any company.

The writer had known James O'Donnell for over sixty years and intimately for over forty and, while we differed in our political beliefs, we never let that interfere with our friendship. For about thirty-five years we lived across the street from each other and our children were close associates during the days of their youth and still are in their manhood and womanhood. He was unwavering in his fidelity to his ideals and no man ever was more loyal or would go farther to assist a friend. O'Neill has lost one of its constant boosters and many people of the county have lost a loyal and true friend.

Since he reached his maturity he had been engaged in business in this city and was always ready either with money or time to assist in promoting anything that would be of benefit to the city he loved or to the people thereof. For about twenty-five years he was engaged in the banking business here and during the past eight years has been loaning money for governmental agencies in this section of the state under the direction of the officials of the Federal Land Bank in Omaha.

That his services to that institution were appreciated was evidenced by the fact that seven of the high officials of the bank were in attendance at the funeral Sunday morning.

His funeral service was held at 10:30 Sunday morning, Monsignor McNamara officiating. Monsignor delivered a splendid tribute to Mr. O'Donnell for his loyalty to his family, relatives and church and one that was appreciated by the hundreds of the deceased friends who were in attendance. After services in the church the body was laid to rest in Calvary cemetery.

The funeral was one of the largest seen in this city for years, which attested the esteem in which the deceased was held, not only here, but in other sections of the state. The following were in attendance at the funeral from outside this city: Former Congressman Edgar Howard and grandson, Findley Howard, jr., Columbus; D. F. McLaughlin, Omaha, Assistant to the President of the Federal Land Bank; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Baird, Omaha, vice president Federal Land Bank; Leo E. Manion, Omaha, vice president Federal Land Bank; W. M. Willy, Omaha, sales manager Federal Land Bank; and W. L. O'Malley, Don Beaton and J. L. O'Brien, Omaha, all with the Federal Land Bank; Mr. and Mrs. John C. Mullen, Miss Marguerite Minturn, Miss Kathleen Cosgrove, Dr. M. Treach, Hugh J. Boyle, Walter Becker and Mrs. Francis Finch, Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reece, Valentine; Dr. and Mrs. Edward Honke, Sioux City, Iowa; M. L. Honke, Butte, Nebraska; Mrs. P. J. Donohoe and Parnell Donohoe, Bonesteel, S. D.; Mr. and Mrs. James Berigan, John Miskimmons, Atkinson; William Krotter, D. A. Criss, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Crowell, Stuart; Dr. W. M. Sullivan, Spalding; James Lanigan, Greeley; Thomas Lanigan, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cronin, Grand Island; Fred Drayton, Orchard; Gaius Cadwell, Huron, S. D.; Miss Mae Hammond, Homer Mullen, Omaha; Marion Dickson, Norfolk; Dr. Clem Deaver, Cheyenne, Wyo.; Bert Shearer and Mahlon Shearer, Stuart, Nebr.; Lucien Cook, Spencer, Nebr., and James Brennan, Norfolk, Nebr.

The Frontier force join the many friends of the family in extending their heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family and all their relatives in this hour of their sorrow.

The 5th Annual Tri-County Day—Holt, Antelope and Wheeler—will be held at St. John's, next Sunday, September 1. Events begin at 3 P. M., with Bingo and other games. A Fried Chicken Supper will be served from 5 to 8 P. M. A dance in the evening will conclude the celebration.

St. John's Hillbillies will be in O'Neill Saturday, August 31, at 3 p. m.

Closing Country Club Tournament Sept. 8.

The Tournament Committee of the O'Neill Country Club announces the final tournament of the golf season to be held Sunday, September 8, 1940. Play will be a two ball foursome with low medal score determining the winners. It is expected that about 40 members will be in attendance. Play will start at 10:00 o'clock.

All contestants are asked to be in with their score by 3:30 P. M. as a driving contest is to be held at that time. There will be a special attraction at the 6th Green. Contestants are requested to get in their entries early, so that pairings can be published next week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Lundgren drove to Omaha on Tuesday on a business trip.



O'Neill Public School To Open Monday, Sept. 2

Pupils of the O'Neill Public School will report Monday at nine o'clock for the opening exercises of this school year. The various classes will meet in the forenoon to receive their texts and assignments. Pupils will be dismissed for the afternoon.

All pupils enrolling in the Kindergarten must be five years old by December 1st. Kindergarten pupils will assemble Monday at nine in room two.

High school students who did not register last spring and those desiring to change their program of studies will have the opportunity to do that Monday.

The faculty for the coming year will be as follows:

Francis Rotherham...Kindergarten and Normal Training.
Zelma Waldo.....First Grade
Loretto Enright.....Second Grade
Hilda Gallagher.....Third Grade
Margaret Miller.....Fourth Grade
Eleanor Kvam.....Fifth Grade
Betty Jones.....Sixth Grade
Johanna Engelhaupt.....Seventh Grade
Dorlin Lockmon.....Eighth Grade
Don Anderson.....Coach and Mathematics
Harold Connors.....Commercial and Assistant Coach
Ira George.....Band and Social Science
Margaret Eloe.....Home Economics and English
Marjorie Graybill.....Music and Social Science
Virginia Johnston.....English and Dramatics
Alfred Mathis.....Vocational Agriculture
Kenneth Martyn.....Principal and Science
Carl Grill.....Superintendent and Social Science

The first faculty meeting of the year will be held Saturday afternoon at two.

Teachers new in the faculty this year are Frances Rotherham, Zelma Waldo, and Margaret Eloe. Miss Rotherham comes from Ewing and is a graduate of Wayne Teachers College. She has also had training at the University of Nebraska, and is a well experienced teacher. Miss Waldo comes from Amelia and has had special training for lower elementary grades. Her preparation and past experience highly qualifies her to teach first-grade pupils. Miss Eloe comes from Aurora and is a graduate from Hastings College. She has majored in Home Economics and is well prepared in the field of English.

The O'Neill High School offers a rich curriculum from which the students can select the courses in which they desire to receive training. A student can major in College Preparatory, Commercial, Normal Training, Vocational Agriculture, or take a general course.

A number of fine improvements have been made in the school plant during the summer and everything will be in order when school opens Monday.

Clinic For Crippled Children To Be Held Here On September 7

A clinic for crippled children will be held Saturday, September 7, in the auditorium of the O'Neill High School. This service is under the auspices of the State Division of Child Welfare and Services for Crippled Children, with specialists representing orthopedic surgery and pediatrics in attendance.

While most children are permitted to attend, yet the State Division wishes to call attention to several points of eligibility covering admission to this extension clinic:

1. Children who are not now receiving services under the State program may be admitted to the clinic when referred by the local physician.

2. In no event are children admitted to the clinic whose parents are financially able to arrange privately for specialized medical services indicated. Those who are admitted must be referred by their own private physician.

3. Admission of new cases to the clinic is for diagnosis and consultation purposes only, and for check-up and after-care services on cases receiving treatment. Admission of a new case to the clinic does not mean that the child will or will not receive treatment under Services for Crippled Children.

4. Orthopedic cases may receive treatment if care cannot be arranged through private resources. In no event, however, will pediatric cases other than certain selected cardiac cases, be given treatment through Services for Crippled Children. Pediatric cases will be accepted at the clinic for the purpose of consultation and diagnosis only and in general should be referred only by the family's own physician.

5. Registration will begin at 7:30 A. M. on Saturday, September 7, at the auditorium of the O'Neill High School and will continue until 11:00 A. M. Those planning to attend, should consult their family physician and also notify the Holt County Assistance office before that date.

Plans are being made for a noon-day lunch to be served in the school domestic service department by a local organization.

The Weather

	High	Low	Prec.
August 22	83	54	
August 23	87	58	
August 24	95	64	
August 25	84	62	.08
August 26	67	60	
August 27	71	60	
August 28	81	52	
August 29			.01

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our grateful appreciation to our friends for their many acts of kindness shown us in our recent loss.

The O'Donnell Family.

PLANS FOR BIG FREE DAY ARE BEING RAPIDLY WHIPPED INTO SHAPE

The Large and Enthusiastic Gathering of Business Men and Women at Tuesday Night's Meeting Augers Well For Success of Enterprise

With James W. Rooney, general chairman, presiding, the largest gathering of business men and women of the city and citizens ever attending one meeting in the history of the city met at the Golden Hotel last Tuesday evening, August 27, to make further arrangements for the advancement of Free Day, which will be held in this city on September 18. The meeting was very enthusiastic and many discussions were had on various subjects. The selection of a name for the day was brought up and about twenty-five names were presented. A committee was appointed to cull the names down to six and then to report to the meeting. They did so and a name was finally selected, but not nearly with a unanimous vote. After the adoption of the name numerous objections were made and many more since, so it has been decided that the matter will be taken up by the chairmen of the various committees at their meeting on Friday evening and definitely settled.

Gerald A. Miles was appointed Assistant General Chairman of the day, by General Chairman, James W. Rooney.

The following committee was selected to look into the possibility of the purchase of a loud speaking system for the city. Members of this committee are: Chairman, Sumner Downey; John Markey, Colonel Walling, Robert Armbruster and Irving Johnson.

The tentative program consists of a parade, balloon ascension and parachute jump, old time dance and modern dance, bag of silver, baseball game and kitten ball game, and street sports. All the above events will be free. Attempts are being made now to secure free rides for children and possibly hold a boxing exhibition. The finance committee and all committee chairmen will meet at the O'Neill P. C. A. office at 7:30 P. M., Friday, August 30, 1940.

The following committees have been selected:

Permanent Committees
Finance—Harold Rose, Chairman; Pat Harty, Ed Gallagher, Bennett Grady, Sumner Downey and Ott Herre.

Publicity—Gerald Miles and D. H. Cronin, Co-Chairmen. Chairmen of other committees to work on publicity committee.

Parade—Roy Sauer, Chairman; Cliff Lundgren, Dorance Crabb, Henry Lohaus, Irving Johnson, Frank Biglin, Jack Vincent and Wm. Hanna.

Concessions—Ted McElhaney, Chairman; Phil Zeimer, Elmer Bowen, Mike Kirwan and James Corke.

Baseball—Dick Tomlinson, Chairman; Don Enright, Wylie Richards and Dr. O'Connell.

Street Sports—Jack Arbuthnot, Chairman; Dick Walters, Stanley Soukup, Frank Parkins, Fred Harper, C. E. Jones, Ralph P. Rickley, Coach Anderson, Coach Connors, Gifford Bachman and Mary Flannigan.

Band Committee—Dr. Bennett, Chairman; Harry Clauson, Archie Bowen, Dr. Burgess and Ira George.

Bag of Silver—Melvin Ruzicka, Chairman; John Sullivan, Art King, Tony Asimus, M. J. Wallace and Ray Shellhamer.

Booster Committee—Robert Armbruster, Chairman; Ralph McElvain, K. Fenderson, Bennett Gill, Elsie, Chauncey Porter, Fred Saunto, Lod Janousek, Levi Fuller, Bart Brennan and Ralph Leidy.

Old Time Dance—Ambrose Rohde, Chairman; Ben Harty and Matt Beha.

Modern Dance—Max Golden, Chairman; Jack Davidson, Gus DeBacker and Harry Reardon.

Lighting Committee—Colonel Walling, Chairman; H. G. Kruse and Fred Robertson.

Boxing Committee—Don Enright, Chairman; L. D. Putnam, Norb Uhl and Pete Peterson.

Women's Costume—Agnes Griffin, Chairman; Martina Dishner, Mrs. Anna McCartney, Helen Simmar, Margaret Clauson, Mrs. Rasley, Helen Sirek, Mrs. McMillan, Edythe Castleman, Mattie Soukup, Mrs. Alma Evans, Mrs. Margaret Stannard and Claire Blackburn.

Safety Committee—John Kersenbrock, Chairman; Peter W. Duffy, John Osenbaugh, Harry Brt, Chet Calkins, C. C. Bergstrom and Frank Grenier.

Red Hat Committee—Alva Marcellus, Chairman, and ninety-three others.

The ladies costume committee for O'Neill's celebration to be held on September 18, headed by Miss Agnes Griffen as chairman, has decided that the women shall wear either blue or red cotton dresses, street length and any style they desire. They are also to wear either red or blue bandannas, which may be worn either on the head or around the neck. The regulation for costumes for the women has not been made very strict, and any costume, which is in keeping with the occasion may be worn, but it is requested and hoped that all the business women and girls in O'Neill will cooperate and appear on the street wearing some costume in keeping with the spirit of the celebration.

Prices Stronger At Sale Monday at O'Neill Livestock Comm. Co. Yard

With a very liberal run of livestock at the O'Neill Livestock Commission Co. last Monday prices were much higher than the week before.

About 992 cattle, 400 hogs and 1 horse were sold to buyers from Nebraska and surrounding states.

Top steer calves cashed at \$10.00 and several small lots sold between \$9.50 and \$9.75. Top yearling heifers cashed at \$8.75, average sold between \$7.75 to \$8.50. Top load yearling steers sold at \$9.85 weighing 650 pounds, the long end of yearling steers cashed at \$8.75 to \$9.60. Bulk of steers weighing 900 to 1100 pounds sold at \$8.50 to \$8.80. Cows carrying lots of flesh cashed at \$6.50, lower class run from \$5.50 to \$6.00. Butcher bulls reached \$5.95 top. Hogs of all classes cashed at higher prices. Top Butchers cashed at \$6.40, top sows sold at \$5.75. Pigs sold by dollar for \$2.45 top.

The next sale will be held on Monday, September 2.

Superintendent C. F. Grill Receives Masters Degree At Columbia University

Superintendent and Mrs. C. F. Grill and son, Jonnie, arrived last Monday from a ten weeks stay in the east and a short visit with relatives at Allentown, Pa., Chicago and Falls City, Nebr., where Johnnie spent his vacation period at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Sandrack. Superintendent and Mrs. Grill went to New York City where he entered Columbia University where he completed the course, started four years ago, and received his Masters degree which better equips him to follow his chosen profession. During their absence they received The Frontier each week and he said that way they were enabled to keep track of the happenings at home, as well as to keep them from getting lonesome.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the many kind friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and sympathy expressed during the sickness and following the death of our beloved wife and mother; also for the many beautiful floral offerings.—Ferdinand Krutz and family; Edward, George and Walter Fick.