

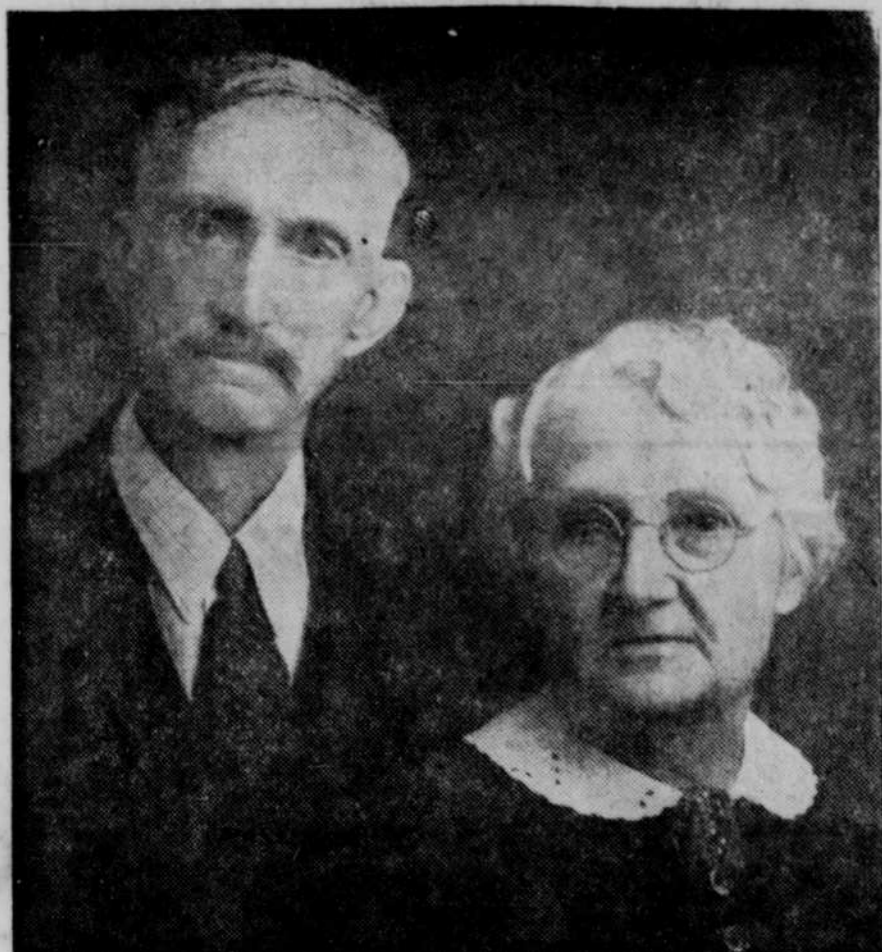
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WED HALF-CENTURY . . . Mr. and Mrs. Allen Haynes (above), well-known Page couple, Sunday observed their golden wedding anniversary. They conducted open-house from 2 until 5 o'clock in the afternoon and from 7 until 9 o'clock in the evening at their home in Page. They are parents of two sons, Roy, of Denton, and Laurence, of O'Neill, and one daughter, Viola, of Page and O'Neill. There are eight grandchildren.

Jubilee Celebration Being Postponed

July 4th Date Is Being Cleared for Stuart Celebration, Rodeo

Officials of the Chamber of Commerce at noon Wednesday announced that O'Neill's plans for the city's Diamond Jubilee celebration on the Fourth of July have been dropped. However, the celebration will be held at a later date, probably in August.

Purpose of the postponement is to clear the date for the annual Stuart celebration and rodeo, sponsored by the American Legion.

For several years the Stuart group has been building its affair around July 4. After O'Neill decided to use that arbitrary date for its one-day Diamond Jubilee celebration — marking the 75th anniversary of the arrival of the earliest settlers — the Stuart Legion formally asked the Chamber of Commerce to change its plans.

Meanwhile, the Chamber's plans had progressed to the point where contracts were drawn with a carnival and arrangements were being made for other attractions.

For several days the Chamber had the matter under consideration but was unable to abandon the July 4 date pending release from the carnival company. Meanwhile, the Legion has signed the carnival for Stuart and Wednesday the Chamber president, J. Leo Moore, was able to announce that the postponement was official.

The postponement, Moore says, will give the O'Neill group more time in which to plan and organize an even finer Jubilee celebration than originally planned.

Existing committees will continue to function and the celebration plans will forge ahead. A new date will be chosen soon.

Meanwhile, The Frontier's Diamond Jubilee Edition continues to take shape. The publishers plan to have the edition in the mail later this month. June 16 has been the arbitrary publication date, but with the postponement of the city's formal observance the Jubilee edition may be delayed a week or so. In any event, it will be in the mail this month.

Romaine Saunders, editor-in-chief of the edition, is making last-minute rounds for rich stories out of the past and is still receiving important contributions and photographs.

Twenty pages have already been printed.

Extra copies will sell for \$1 each. Regular subscribers will receive the Diamond Jubilee Edition at no extra cost. Subscription rate in Nebraska is \$2.50 per year; elsewhere, \$3.

The Frontier's Auction Calendar

Three special sales are listed this week with The Frontier's auction sale service. The service includes newspaper advertising, handbills and "Voice of The Frontier" radio announcements.

The sale schedule:

Monday, June 6—Public auction at the Charlie E. Clark place, 12 1/2 miles South and 2 1/2 miles West of Chambers, including 28 head of cattle and a lease of 480-acres of land with all improvements. Col. Ed Thorin, of Chambers, will be auctioneer.

Wednesday, June 8—Sale of livestock and ranch equipment by the Mills Brothers, to settle the estate of the late Dr. B. J.

MRS. A. WALDMAN BURIED TUESDAY

Amelia Woman, 61, Dies Here at Home of a Daughter

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a. m. Tuesday from St. Patrick's Catholic church here for Mrs. Arthur Waldman, 61, wife of an Amelia carpenter.

Mrs. Waldman died about 4:30 a. m. Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Emmet Carr. She had been in ill health for seven months.

Rev. C. J. Werner officiated in the burial rites and Biglin Brothers were in charge. Burial was in Calvary cemetery.

Nathalie A. Curran was born at Chambers on February 17, 1888, a daughter of Thomas and Mary Loftus Curran, who were immigrants from Ireland.

In November, 1909, she married Mr. Waldman at Atkinson. The Waldmans lived in the village of Amelia for many years and were well-known in that section of the county.

Survivors include: Widower; daughters—Mrs. Helen Marcelus, of Pio, Calif., and Mrs. Emmet Carr, of O'Neill; brothers—James Curran, of O'Neill; Michael Curran, of Amelia; and Thomas Curran, of Neligh; sisters—Mrs. Delia Ernst, of Amelia; Mrs. Clare Connors, of Broadwater; Mrs. Gertrude Minahan, of O'Neill; and five grandchildren.

Firms Draw Penalty on Tax Matter

T. L. McCully, of the state tax commissioner's office, was in the city Tuesday conferring with County Assessor L. G. Gillespie. Mr. McCully is one of the district agents for the tax commissioner, Holt and adjacent counties comprising a district.

Only four Holt county concerns or individuals, who had failed to make assessment returns, were required to appear at the assessor's office by Mr. McCully and list property for assessment. This involved penalties in the amount of one-half the valuation being added to the total assessment. Under the law, this is mandatory on all county assessors in Nebraska.

Very few Holt county citizens failed to make returns to the assessors, though some went over the April deadline because of inability to get to the designated assessment centers because of the condition of the roads.

WAR DEAD IN AREA HONORED

Reverend Bell Delivers Brief Address in Service Here

War dead in the O'Neill region were honored Monday in Memorial day rites as citizens joined the Nation in remembering those men who served their country in time of armed conflict and paid the supreme sacrifice.

In O'Neill, Simonson post of the American Legion was in charge of arrangements. There was a parade to the cemeteries in which the Legion provided a color guard and firing squad. Also in the parade were Municipal band, Legionnaires (wearing Legion and military uniforms), Legion auxiliary members, Girl Scouts, and others.

Rev. V. R. Bell offered a prayer at the graveside.

Back at the Legion auditorium, Commander John R. Gallagher introduced Reverend Bell, who delivered a brief memorial address.

Arrangements for the Memorial day observance at Atkinson were in charge of Farley-Tushla post of the Legion.

A procession formed at the American Legion club at 1:30, proceeded to the memorial trees where wreaths were placed. The procession included the colors, color guard, band, firing squad, members of the Legion, Legion auxiliary, and Women's Relief corps.

At 2:30 in the Atkinson high school auditorium an appropriate program was presented, featuring orations by Bernard Troshynski, of Atkinson, winner of the Legion-sponsored oratorical contest at Atkinson, and Jack Pollock, of Stanton, winner of the district Legion-sponsored oratorical contest.

At Spencer, beginning at 10 o'clock, Memorial day rites were held in the community hall. The address was given by Rev. J. C. Jorgensen. Following the service at the community hall, a procession moved out to the Union cemetery for rites at a graveside.

In the new American Legion hall at Butte, Memorial day rites began at 10 o'clock. Rev. C. L. Knippen delivered the address and there were services at the cemetery.

At Stuart there was a parade of members of the American Legion, Legion auxiliary and Scout organizations from the Legion hall to the auditorium where an appropriate program was presented.

Open air mass was conducted in St. Boniface cemetery on Memorial day at Stuart—the first open air mass ever held there.

Memorial services at Lynch began at two o'clock at the Lynch theater. Rev. Daniel Twohig was the speaker and Carroll Binkerd post of the American Legion was in charge.

At the Alford cemetery, near Monowi, Memorial day rites began at 10:30. Rev. Bernard Raabe and the Verdel post of the American Legion were in charge.

A fitting service also was arranged at Clearwater beginning at 2:30 in the high school auditorium.

Memorial services were held Monday at the Chambers town hall. Rev. L. A. Dale delivered the address and Dr. Vernon Van Horn, of the American Legion, was master of ceremonies.

Rev. Wayne A. Hall Accepts Call Here

Rev. Wayne A. Hall, formerly of Burwell and a 1948 graduate of Central Bible Institute at Springfield, Mo., has accepted a pastoral call from the Assembly of God church in O'Neill. He succeeds Rev. J. G. Hamburger, whose future plans have not been announced.

Reverend Hall and his wife conducted evangelistic services at the Assembly of God church during a three-week period this Spring. During recent months they have been similarly engaged at other points in Nebraska.

The O'Neill charge will be Reverend Hall's first permanent assignment, although he served a small church near Springfield during his theological training.

Reverend Hamburger recently resigned as pastor of the church. He and his family departed Monday to visit relatives and friends at Scottsbluff and Greeley, Colo., before accepting a new pastorate.

Rides White Horse on 400-Mile Journey

Mrs. Robb Ailmore spent her first night in Holt county Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Fryrear, three miles West of Amelia, on her cross-country ride from her home at Bucklin, Kans., to the White Horse ranch in Western Boyd county.

Mrs. Fryrear was in O'Neill Tuesday. In telling of entertaining her guest that night, she said Mrs. Ailmore rides a magnificent white stallion that she will enter in the show at the White Horse this weekend. She rides in traditional Western mode, boots and all, and takes personal charge of her mount in feeding, currying and attention to keeping him well shod. She has been holding her horse down to about 25 miles a day. The total distance traveled will be 400 miles. She planned to spend Tuesday night in Atkinson, then go on to Stuart and North to the show arena.

Mrs. Ailmore prizes her horse too highly to consider a thousand dollar bid for him. Her husband, who is a doctor, will attend the White Horse show and will bring to it a white bull to be sold for the benefit of the group of underprivileged girls Mr. and Mrs. Cal Thompson have received at the ranch.

Donors Stopping at Headquarters

Donors to the St. Anthony's hospital building fund are stopping daily, in increasing numbers, to boost the push for a minimum of 46 thousand dollars towards the new 300 thousand dollar medical center.

The 40-bed hospital, to be operated and staffed by Sisters of St. Francis, will serve the Sand Hills region with first-class hospital facilities.

Last week a small frame structure was built and located on the Northwest corner of Fourth and Douglas streets. Mrs. Glen Tomlinson was made a full-time worker for the hospital move.

Within a few days after the building fund headquarters began functioning, more than \$6,257 was donated in contributions ranging from \$5 to \$50. All contributions are being acknowledged by receipt and letters.

O'Neill business firms "kicked in" to create an "expense fund" for operating the headquarters. Thus, none of the money donated to the hospital building fund is used for drive expense, Chairman James M. Corkle explained.

Mrs. Weatherford Suffers Hand Burns

Mrs. Charles A. Weatherford suffered burns on both hands about 5 p. m. Tuesday when fire broke out in the basement of her home. She was working with gasoline when the fire started.

Damage to the interior of the house was slight.

The O'Neill volunteer fire department responded to the alarm.

Van Horn Talks Brannan Ag Plan

E. N. Van Horn, president of the Federal Land Bank of Omaha, was an honored guest Tuesday at the annual stockholders' meeting of the Elkhorn Valley National Farm Loan association. Meeting was held at the American Legion auditorium where the Legion auxiliary served a dinner at noon.

Van Horn told the 145 persons in the audience that there were good and bad features, he felt.



E. N. VAN HORN

DIPLOMAS TO 166 EIGHTH GRADERS

Rural School Bands Are Featured in Graduation Exercises

One hundred and sixty-six Holt county eighth graders received diplomas during promotional exercises here Friday afternoon. Miss Elja McCullough, Holt county superintendent of public instruction made the presentations.

Three hundred school children were present for the program, which took place in the O'Neill public school auditorium.

Rev. Ralph Gerber, of First Presbyterian church, delivered the invocation. Merton V. Welch, of Norfolk, led the group singing.

A feature of the program was music by rural school bands from districts 213 and 183. Both played several selections. Teacher in 213 is Miss Mary Ann Bouiska and the teacher in 183 is Miss Eileen Krysl. Both bands were comprised of pupils from first graders through the eighth. Instruments used were saxophones, clarinets, trumpets, drums, guitars and one violin.

Four eighth graders delivered orations. James Puckett and Lyle Fox, both of district 20, Emmet, and Donald Fullerton, of district 228, Amelia, spoke on "Soil Conservation."

Fred Forsberg, of O'Neill public school, also an eighth grader, spoke on "Democracy."

Miss Donna Mae Fuhrer, soprano, an eighth grade graduate two years ago and a victim of infantile paralysis, sang "Gullway Bay" and "The Lord's Prayer."

The program also included group dancing and tap dancing by pupils from St. Boniface Catholic school, of Stuart, and a trumpet solo by DeWayne Booth, of O'Neill public school. There were songs by pupils from districts 55 and 138, taught by Mrs. Donelda Hammon.

Many parents and friends of graduates and participating pupils were present. (See photograph of graduation class on page 3, section 2.)

Stuart Infant Is Flown to Omaha

STUART—The four-day-old infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Newman, of Stuart, Friday was flown to Children's Memorial hospital in Omaha with Dr. Frank Panzer, of Bassett, at the controls of the plane.

The baby has been receiving oxygen treatment for an imperforate lung. Miss Nelle Newman, R. N., of Winnetonka, S. D., aunt of the infant, and the baby's father made the trip to Omaha in the same craft.

Word from the hospital early this week indicated that the baby's condition is "improving."

The baby was born May 24 at Bassett.

Power Plant to Be Retained



R. L. SCHACHT (Story at right)

CPPD Temporarily Scraps Plan to Dismantle O'Neill Diesel

O'Neill's 1,000-kw diesel-powered electric power plant will continue to be maintained and operated as a standby or auxiliary plant.

This was revealed Tuesday night in O'Neill by R. L. Schacht, of Columbus, general manager of Consumers Public Power district in Nebraska.

Mr. Schacht came to O'Neill to meet with the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, the Chamber's special power committee, Mayor H. E. Coyne and several members of the city council.

Mr. Schacht explained that the CPPD board, in session Friday at Columbus, had decided to scrap for the present the plan to dismantle the O'Neill plant and move the generating equipment to Valentine. The plan originally was conceived to "boost" the West end of the Northeast Nebraska district, which headquarters in O'Neill.

Mr. Schacht went on record that he, personally, would notify the O'Neill Chamber of Commerce if the issue is revived again, and he said he felt "reasonably certain" the CPPD board of directors would back him up in the matter.

The Chamber recently circulated petitions among power users in the city. Mrs. Claire O'Connell, who handled the petitions, said that more than one thousand signatures had been gathered. The petitions requested Consumers to "keep and maintain the O'Neill plant for standby purposes."

Mr. Schacht became general manager of CPPD last month following the death of V. M. Johnson. Previously, Mr. Schacht had been operating superintendent for CPPD at the state level. He has been in utility engineering in Nebraska since 1923.

In discussing CPPD plans, he pointed out that O'Neill by 1953 will be a hub in the Nebraska power grid and probably one of the most important power centers in the state. By that time, he continued, O'Neill will be "well fortified" with power coming from four directions, including a flow from the Ft. Randall dam, presently under construction.

He indicated that the issue of withdrawing the diesel from O'Neill will not be revived until after "most of these long-range plans have been completed."

He also told the audience of the elaborate two-way radio transmission network being established in the state. He pointed out that lack of communications during storms, such as during the blizzards of 1948-49, often was responsible for prolonged "outages" or service interruptions. The radio net, he continued, would provide instantaneous communications between important switching and control points in the grid. O'Neill, Valentine and Norfolk are among those towns slated for heavy transmission equipment, which will be audible via short wave throughout the state.

One reason CPPD considered removal of the O'Neill plant was because it was one of the newest and biggest engines in the state and was "worthwhile." With the ultimate concentration of power that is planned here, the diesel's usefulness, at O'Neill will diminish to "zero," he said.

Current cost of maintaining the diesel with a minimum standby crew is \$20,000 per year, according to Schacht.

James M. Corkle, head of the Chamber of Commerce power committee, pointed out how service interruptions proved costly to hatcheries, locker plants, and industrial users who were dependent upon uninterrupted power service. Corkle presided.

Mr. Schacht told of other plans by CPPD to increase the state's power generating capacity and he said he felt that the increases would be adequate to take care of the increase in load.

L. D. Putnam made the motion that the Chamber accept Mr. Schacht's informal agreement to advise the Chamber of an impending move of the O'Neill diesel, and the meeting was adjourned. The session was held in the Golden hotel dining room and lasted for two hours. Twenty were present.

HOLT WET BUT BELOW NORMAL

April-May Precipitation Totals 5.15 Inches; Hail Falls

Holt county is wet. But, technically, the growing season precipitation is slightly below normal.

This was revealed Wednesday in a review of weather records kept by Government Observer Elmer Bowen. Normal precipitation for the two-month period is 5.89 inches. This year the moisture received during April totaled 1.42 inches and during May 3.73 inches, totaling 5.15.

June got off to a good start with .54 of an inch recorded late Tuesday evening. The shower was accompanied by some hail. The stones were small and damage was negligible.

There was considerable apprehension, however, among many Holt countyans as the Tuesday night storm clouds gathered. Most of the wind and hail missed the county.

At Atkinson more than an inch of rain fell, and small hail stones pelted the community for at least 10 minutes. At Stuart there was considerable high wind, some hail and rain.

Charles Prussa, who lives Southwest of Atkinson, reported hail but no damage. Many farmers are becoming uneasy about getting their corn planted. Wet fields have delayed the operation.

Bluegrass prospects are "good," according to County Agent A. Neil Dawes, but the bluegrass is still not safe from frost. Several weeks will elapse before stripping begins. Lightning struck the chimney on the Bud Moses house in North Stuart last Thursday during an electrical storm. Not much damage was done. Two inches of rain fell.

Week's weather summary based on 24-hour periods ending at 8 a. m. daily, follows:

Date	High	Low	Prec.
May 26	75	47	T
May 27	80	55	.08
May 28	75	55	
May 29	79	60	.64
May 30	78	61	
May 31	84	65	
June 1	80	56	.54
Totals			1.26

Chambers Farmer Is Pinned Under Tractor

CHAMBERS—Earl Medcalf, Chambers farmer, met with a painful accident last Thursday when the tractor he was driving turned over and pinned him beneath it.

Mr. Medcalf got the tractor stuck in the mud while plowing. Two neighbors, Emil Haltman and Arnie Mace, sr., came to his assistance. Had these men not been present, it is thought the accident would have been fatal.

The steering wheel of the tractor was pressing on his chest in such a manner that he was unable to breathe until they could dig out sufficient dirt to free him. He suffered several broken ribs and other injuries.

Mr. Medcalf's condition Wednesday was described as "good."

Visits Brother—John Ryan, of Greeley, Colo., spent last Thursday visiting his brother, J. B. Ryan.