

70 Calves, Hogs To Be Auctioned

Hospital Benefit Auction To Be Midday Feature of Celebration

The long-awaited calf auction sale for the benefit of St. Anthony's hospital building fund will be staged as a midday feature of the Diamond Jubilee-Fall Festival celebration Friday, September 30.

The benefit calf auction is scheduled to get underway at 11 a. m. East of the Holt county courthouse annex, according to James M. Corkle, building fund committee chairman.

This week, in answer to the final plea for calf and hog donations, the committee received four calves, one heifer, one registered Spotted Poland China boar, seven pigs, one saddle horse and one saddle colt.

Corkle said late Tuesday that an additional eight hogs, eight calves and two saddle horses were to be picked up by the committee today (Thursday).

After the trip to the rural area has been made, the committee will have on hand approximately 35 calves, 33 hogs, one heifer, six shoats, six saddle horses, one mare and one saddle colt for the auction.

Among the calves that will be auctioned is one registered Angus heifer out of the 1949 crop of George Rouse's purebred herd.

A temporary stockyards was built near the Legion club on property owned by Holt county. Last week heavy supplies and equipment were removed from the plot, and graders moved in, and the stockyards was erected.

As the calf and hog benefit auction takes final form, another appeal made this week by the building fund committee was answered.

Written donations of chickens to be used at the \$5-per-plate benefit banquet Monday, October 3, flowed into the hospital headquarters building, Corkle said.

To date, about 150 chickens have been contributed, according to a report by the committee head in charge of poultry solicitations, Mrs. J. W. Hickey.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Edward M. Gallagher, head of the ticket sales committee for the banquet, reported late Tuesday nearly 300 tickets sold.

The O'Neill public school band will play at the banquet, the master-of-ceremonies will be Don Cunningham. Six footballs autographed by the entire Notre Dame university squad and the coaching staff, autographed photos of Frank Leahy, the Irish mentor, and a baseball autographed by Connie Mack, the grand old gentleman of baseball, will be auctioned.

Another feature at the benefit banquet will be a sound film, "You're the Doctor," portraying the close relationship of the hospital to the community health and welfare. The film, Corkle explained, illustrates the importance of community appreciation and support for the continuing growth and development of the hospital.

The calf auction and the benefit banquet will be among the final promotional efforts in raising the peoples' part

The peoples' part, 100-thousand-dollars, must be popularly subscribed before a federal grant is made available and before the Sisters of St. Francis, who will own and operate the proposed hospital, will assume "any reasonable indebtedness."

Dr. Gildersleeve Begins Practice

Dr. Harry Gildersleeve, O. D., Monday will open an office on the second floor of the Hagensick building and begin the practice of optometry. Doctor Gildersleeve, a native of Wayne, comes to O'Neill from Los Angeles, Calif. He was educated at Wayne high school, Compton (Calif.) junior college, University of California (Los Angeles), Cornell university and the Los Angeles (Calif.) college of Optometry.

During World War II, he served in the Navy aboard the heavy cruiser St. Paul as optical officer. He is a lieutenant (jg) in the optometric corps of the Naval reserve.

Doctor Gildersleeve and his wife have been married for five years. They have a daughter, Linda, age 2. The family will move to O'Neill this weekend.

Temporarily Doctor Gildersleeve will practice on the second floor of the old Hagensick building formerly known as the Nebraska State bank building. As soon as a suite is completed, he will move into an office in the new Hagensick building, adjoining, Dr. C. M. Eason's office.

Doctor Gildersleeve is bringing to O'Neill a full set of new optometric equipment.

ERNEST A. WHITE DIES IN DAKOTA

Homesteader in Amelia Community Suffers Lingering Illness

AMELIA—Funeral services for Ernest A. White, 85, a long time resident of the Amelia community and a homesteader here, were held at 2 p. m. Monday from the Methodist church.

The late Mr. White died at Martin, S. D., early Saturday. He had been in failing health for several years.

Rev. W. G. Birmingham officiated at the rites and burial was in the Chambers cemetery.

A men's quartet, composed of Leo T. Adams, Ernest Farrier, Carl Lambert and Ray Hoffman, all of Chambers, with Mrs. Clyde Widman as pianist, furnished the music.

Pallbearers were: Lawrence Barnett, Bill Ragland, Earnie Widman, Vern Sageser and Tommie Baker.

Earnest Andrew White was born February 13, 1863.

In 1893 he settled on his ranch in the Inez community.

In 1895 he was married to Miss Julia Browitt, of York. To this union two children were born—a daughter, Alta, and son, Ray.

He retired from his ranch in 1939 and came to Amelia where he continued to make his home until his death.

Mr. White was active in church and civic affairs and was helpful in all projects that were for the up-building of the community.

Last Winter, during the severe storms, he spent one entire day with a weasel driver and two other young men on the telephone line.

Survivors include: widow; son—Raymond, of Martin, S. D.; daughter—Mrs. Frank Braddock, of Nenzel, and one grandchild, Gayle.

Survivors also include two brothers, Ed and Harry White, of Amelia; several nieces and nephews.

FORMER HOLT RESIDENT DIES

Mrs. C. C. Jones, 72, Passes Away in Minnesota

CHAMBERS—Funeral services were held at 2 p. m. in the Methodist church here Wednesday for Mrs. C. C. Jones, 72, who died Friday at Park Rapids, Minn.

Rev. Ralph Gerber officiated at the rites and interment was made in the Chambers cemetery.

The late Mrs. Jones died in a Park Rapids, Minn., hospital after an illness that lasted approximately 30 days.

Born in 1877 at Omaha, Rosa Ermer came with her parents to South Holt county in 1885.

After her marriage to C. C. Jones, the couple settled in the South Fork community also and to them two sons and a daughter were born.

Immediately after Mr. Jones retired from farming in 1946, the couple moved to Park Rapids, Minn., where the late Mrs. Jones died.

Survivors include: Husband; sons—Harvey L., of Chambers, and Harry C., of Park Rapids, Minn.; daughter—Mrs. Emma Mielke, of O'Neill; brothers—Fred, Charles and William, all of O'Neill; sisters—Mrs. W. E. (Anne) Jones, of Chambers, and Mrs. A. E. (Emma) Elver, of Lewiston, Ida.

Pallbearers were: Gaius Wintermote, Thomas Newhouse, Heals Farrier, William Woods and Clyde Kiltz, all of Chambers, and Harry Ressel, of O'Neill.

3 Escape Injury As Car Overtakes

Three O'Neill men escaped possible serious injury early Tuesday morning when the car in which they were riding hit loose gravel and overturned three miles Northwest of O'Neill on highway 281.

Driver of the car, Ardell Bright, said he "hit" a ridge of loose gravel and before he could straighten the vehicle out it half-overturned and skidded to a stop on its roof.

The other two occupants were Luther Schultz, owner of the car, and Don Clyde.

Schultz estimated \$700 damage.

The owner of the vehicle said as soon as the car stopped a truck driver for an Omaha Cold Storage Co. was on the scene.

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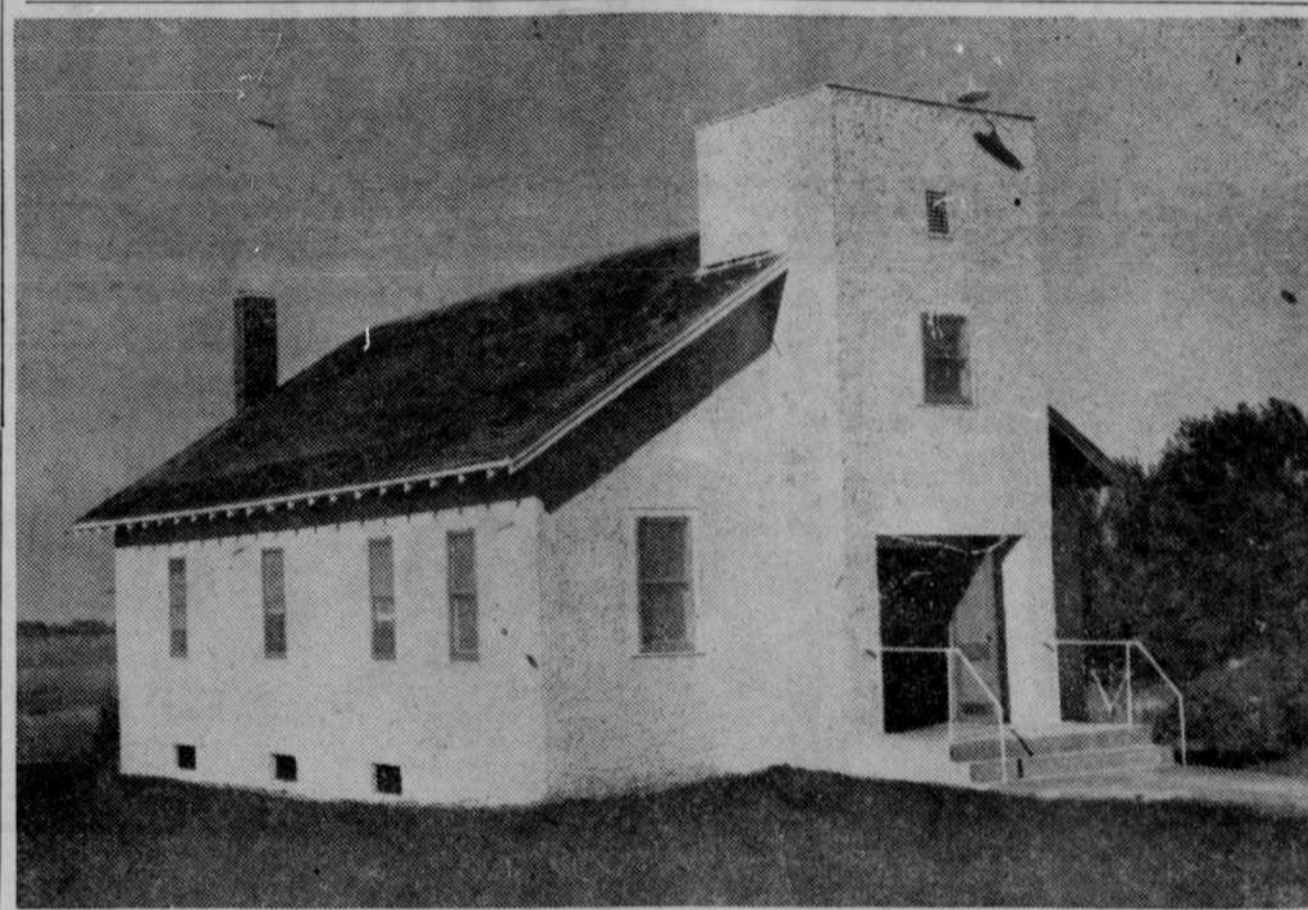
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City Host in Jubilee-Festival



Six families... largely responsible for house of worship.

Bethany Free Methodists Build New Edifice Themselves

By a Staff Writer
AMELIA—A new house of worship Sunday was formally dedicated in this tiny Southeast Holt county community.

The white stucco 30 x 36-foot edifice, facing South on a 10-acre corner plot about 2 1/2 miles Southwest of the village, could not accommodate all the parishioners, friends and other well-wishers that gathered for the solemn occasion. More than three hundred persons were present.

History of the new church is typical in one sense, unusual in another.

Birth of rural churches in the pioneer era were the usual thing. But in this tiny community, the pastor—Rev. Ira Dixon—and his parishioners—composed principally of six families—set about last September to build a House of God. And for six families to undertake such a project in a relatively sparsely populated area is the unusual.

The families, besides Parson Dixon's, are the Whites, Burges, Freeland, Atkinsons, Skudlers, and the Philberts.

Origin of the new church dates back to a day when one of the Sunday school teachers noted \$50 in the treasury. She suggested that the money be set aside for a Sunday school building fund. At that time the Sunday school and worship were held in a small frame building near the site of the new structure.

As the fund began to mount,



Take part in dedication of Bethany Free Methodist church: background—Rev. R. B. Campbell, of Illinois, who delivered dedicatory sermon; Rev. Ira I. Dixon, of Amelia, church pastor; Rev. D. V. Smith, of Lincoln, conference superintendent; foreground—Paul Fisher, Harry S. White (only living charter member), Glen White and George Atkinson. Fisher, Glen White and Atkinson are members of board of trustees.—The Frontier Photo by John H. McCarville.

it was decided to go all the way—to build a new church.

Once each month the entire church and Sunday school collections were set aside for building purposes.

"Sometimes," according to Glen White, the collections would run up to \$50—all of us giving a little extra because we knew our goal."

Finally, when the fund got up to \$1,500 the trustees—George Atkinson, Paul Fisher and Glen White—and Pastor Dixon got down to plans and figures for construction.

In September, 1948, work was begun. Everyone turned

out to help. Pastor Dixon set the pace. "He worked when no one else worked," one parishioner explained. "Lots of mornings Reverend Dixon would be on the scene at 7 o'clock. He also kept track of every tool."

Rev. Fritz Hand, pastor of Riverside Free Methodist church at Ewing, also figured prominently in the construction. With some carpentry background, he "neglected" his family and his own parish to help with the construction.

Week-after-week he toiled without pay, but in the end (Continued on page 15)

CORN MATURES IN IDEAL WEATHER

Ideal corn maturing weather has been predominate the past week with temperatures dipping to 33 degrees with a light frost hitting most of Holt county.

The low temperature and light frost came Tuesday night. Most farmers say the corn will be ready for picking about the second or third week in October.

Meanwhile, August Drier, of the University of Nebraska, started eight rye and three wheat variety tests Monday on the Joe Rocke farm near Atkinson.

This is the third year for the tests on the Rocke place. The fertilizer tests are for the adaption, and yield of the crops.

Fertilizer tests were made singly and in combination with some for Fall and others for Spring reaction, the county agent said.

High temperature this week was recorded Monday with the mercury hitting 84 degrees.

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

Date	Hi	Lo	Prec.
September 22	70	47	
September 23	74	40	
September 24	74	47	
September 25	82	53	
September 26	84	54	
September 27	74	42	
September 28	67	33	

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Voice to Broadcast Jubilee Parade

A description of Friday's big Diamond Jubilee-Fall Festival parade will be broadcast over radio station WJAG, Norfolk, beginning at 10:20 a. m.

The broadcast, with Chuck Appar at the microphone, will continue until 11 a. m.

Appar will have his microphone in the office of T. J. Olan, on the second floor of the Nebraska State bank building. From this vantage point he will be able to describe the parade moving up-and-down Douglas street. Program is originating through the "Voice of the Frontier" studios.

Sponsors of the 40-minute program are: Spelts-Ray Lbr. Co., Leidy's, Jacobson's, Lloyd Collins Implements, and Seger Oil and Transport Co.

NB&L Retailers Elect Pat Harty

Pat Harty, well-known O'Neill businessman, was elected Monday to the board of directors of the Nebraska Beer and Liquor retailers association at its annual meeting in Omaha.

The board of directors recently was increased from 15 to 30 members to give a wider representation outstate, spokesmen for the association said.

The association met in its annual three-day meeting Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Minnesotans Here

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Whalen, of Austin, Minn., visited Tuesday and Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Wettlaufer.

W. H. HARVEY, 72, SUCCUMBS

Funeral services were held from the Paddock Union church Wednesday at 2 p. m. for W. H. Harvey, 77, who died Saturday about 3:30 p. m., enroute from his residence in the Blackbird community to the Lynch hospital.

The late Mr. Harvey had been ill for the past year and was "feeling worse" Saturday. Friends were taking him to the hospital in Lynch when he was stricken by a heart attack and died in a car.

Born in May, 1871, a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Harvey, a pioneer Holt county couple, he came with his parents from Boone, Ia., in 1878. They homesteaded on a 160-acre farm in the Blackbird community, in Northern Holt county.

For many years after the turn of the century the family home served in the Blackbird community as the postoffice.

Unmarried, and a mason by trade, the late Mr. Harvey farmed on the McGowan place for 48 years, retiring in 1946.

Many friends who knew him said Harvey was a "good neighbor" to lend a helping hand and was one of the county's "best hunters."

Survivors include: Sisters—Mrs. Laura Patterson, of Rapid City, S. D.; Mrs. Alice Crawford, of Sheridan, Wyo.; Mrs. Mary Crawford, also of Sheridan, Wyo.; and Mrs. Charles Miller, of Bristow; a brother—Nathan, in Northern Canada.

Friday's Legion-Sponsored Affair to Feature Colorful Parade

All is in readiness for the American Legion sponsored Diamond Jubilee-Fall Festival celebration to be held here Friday, September 30.

The celebration will be one of the largest and most complete that O'Neill has ever experienced in its 75 years.

Over 100 business and civic organizations have indicated to Parade Chairman M. E. Jacobson they will enter floats in the parade. A king and queen will reign over the festivities with a carnival, a death dodger show, a parachute jump, a football game, a calf auction, a truck and jeep driving contest, a show by the Stuart Saddle club and free acts on the entertainment schedule.

Today (Thursday) Rural Youth organizations will decorate the city in Fall and celebration pageantry, according to A. Neil Dawes, Holt county agent.

Monday, a 15-car booster delegation, under the direction of "Shorty" Landis and Luther Schultz, made a tour.

The delegation left O'Neill at 1:30 p. m., and visited Ewing, Orchard, Royal, Brunswick, Plainview, Creighton, Verdigre, Niobrara, Lynch, Bristow and Spencer.

A clown band and individual clowns were in the troupe. Landis termed the booster trip a "success," because of the good turnouts at each town along the route.

Meanwhile, plans for a second booster trip to the Atkinson and Stuart areas were cancelled because many businessmen were working on their parade floats.

Unofficially the leading candidates thus far for the festival royalty are: Sam Thompson and Alice Minton, both of O'Neill.

Mr. Thompson, 81, has resided in Holt county 76 years. Alice Minton, 89, also claims to have resided in the county for 76 years.

The celebration royalty will be chosen by District Judge D. R. Mounts and Ira H. Moss on the basis of the longest continuous residence in the county. To date, Moss said, 12 applications for the king and queen have been received.

Among entries received this week are: Fred Cronk, of Page, a resident of Holt for 69 years. (He spent his first year in Nebraska across the Holt boundary in Antelope county); Henry D. Grady, 71, of O'Neill, who was born here and has been a continuous resident except for two years of service in the Spanish-American war; Mrs. Alice O'Connell, 80, of Atkinson, who came to Holt on October 24, 1879; Charles Summer, 60, of O'Neill, who came to Holt county May 6, 1892; Floyd E. Crawford, 73, of O'Neill, who has resided in Holt county for 70 years, 8 months and 28 days; William J. Grothe, 69, of Emmet, who has lived in Holt county 62 years; L. G. Gillespie, 74, of O'Neill, who has lived in Holt

county 72 years; L. H. Downey, of Page, who has been a county resident for 69 years; and Steve Hicks, 79, who has been a Holt county resident for 71 years.

Slated to set off the celebration is the parade at 10 a. m. Rendezvous areas for the color event will be in West O'Neill at the Wm. Krotter Co. and New Deal Oil Co.

At these intersections, one block North and South of Douglas streets will be the assembly areas for the floats.

Parade divisions are: (1) Those depicting 75 years of progress or any period during that time; (2) modern floats; (3) individual floats; (4) youth group sponsored floats.

Business and civic organizations will compete for prizes in the first two divisions.

All business firms will be closed until 11 a. m., it was announced Wednesday by the Chamber of Commerce. Some firm owners have indicated they will be closed all day.

Latest float entries are: Starlight extension club, Methodist Young Adult Fellowship, Don's Bar, Hamilton Seed Co., St. Mary's academy, Storz Brewery (Omaha), Gatz Bros., Benson's Tavern and Wonder Bread.

Areas between Third and Fifth streets on Douglas will be cleared of cars until after the parade. Business firms have been asked to cooperate in keeping the street clean.

Two state highway patrol cars will head the parade, followed by the American Legion color guard, O'Neill municipal band, honorary king and queen, and the Stuart Saddle club.

Three city police and 10 Legionnaires will police the city and Legion grounds. Legion police will be supervised by Virgil Laursen and Lavern Stevens.

Floats are being asked to assemble at 8:30 a. m., according to Mr. Jacobson. D. D. DeBolt will be in charge of section I; Manuel Sigler, section II; Al Carroll, section III, and J. L. McCarville, jr., section IV.

The parade will move East on Douglas street from the West end. At Eighth street a turn will be made left, proceeding Northward one block, turn left again, and proceed Westward two more blocks, stopping at the Arbutnot-Public Library corner. Reformed, the parade will move Westward down Douglas street to the original assembly area.

Imported judges will select the winners and the Legion will award \$25 as first prize in each division and \$15 for the runner-up.

Following the parade and winding up the morning program will be the St. Anthony's hospital benefit calf and hog auction. Approximately 70 cattle and hogs plus saddle horses and a saddle colt have been donated for the auction. The auction is to be held East of the Holt county courthouse annex.

Carl Bollwitt Dies at Norfolk

EWING—Carl Bollwitt, 56, a retired farmer, died in the Lutheran hospital in Norfolk Monday evening at 9:30 after a brief illness.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p. m. from the Methodist church here today (Thursday) with Rev. Roy M. Wingate officiating. Burial will be in Zeims cemetery, South of Ewing.

The late Mr. Bollwitt was born in Omaha and farmed most of his life near Ewing. He retired in 1945.

Survivors include: Widow, Nellie, and several children.

Donna Garwood Polio Victim

AMELIA—Miss Donna Garwood, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Garwood, is in an Omaha hospital with infantile paralysis. She is 13-years-old.

She was one of 51 new cases reported in Nebraska last week. This brought this year's total to 452 against 479 for the same period last year.

Return from Coast—

EWING—Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Huffman returned Sunday from a vacation trip to the West coast. Mr. Huffman is associated with the Farmers' bank here.