

# Critically Hurt in 60-Foot Drop

Sioux Cityan Tumbles Off St. Mary's Academy Roof-Top

Elvin Hull, 28, of Sioux City, fell off the roof of the West building of St. Mary's academy about 10:15 a. m. Wednesday. He was taken to the O'Neill hospital for first aid and then rushed by ambulance to St. Vincent's hospital in Sioux City.

Hull was painting the ridge row near the Southeast corner of the building when he reportedly slipped and fell. The fall was broken when he hit the steel pipe sidewalk railing near where he landed. Hull was lying on the cement when discovered, and conscious.

Kathryn Ann Golden, of O'Neill, a student at the academy, and Sister Flores, an instructor, were the first to hear the crash and Hull's plea for help.

Miss Golden rushed to a window of the academy above where Hull was lying. She told Sister Flores and the two ran to the scene. Sister Flores called Rev. C. J. Werner, who summoned the ambulance.

Henry F. Benze, a custodian at the academy, arrived on the scene minutes after the fall and said Hull was "still conscious" after his 60-foot drop and he smoked part of a cigarette before the arrival of the ambulance.

Late bulletins to The Frontier from St. Vincent's hospital described Hall's condition as "poor". The ambulance carrying the injured man arrived at the Sioux City hospital about 2 p. m., and doctors decided not to X-ray because of Hall's shocked and weakened condition.

Hull, who had been working with the McArthur Sheet and Roofing company, of Sioux City, had been in O'Neill three weeks working with the crew repairing the academy roof.

Hull's wife and small daughter reside in Sioux City. "It is the first major accident in the history of the academy," Mother Boniface of the academy said.

## Mayor Issues Stern Warning

ATKINSON — Mayor W. J. Douglas said this week that notification had been sent last Thursday that gambling activities which had been going on in Atkinson "should be stopped." He also said tavern operators had been requested to keep children from sitting for extended intervals in their places of business while waiting for parents.

Douglas said the attempt to curtail gambling is in line with the drive by the state government to do away with such activities.

## Council Rejects Lone Sewer Bid

In an adjourned meeting of the O'Neill city council Friday afternoon, a lone bid for a sewerage lift and outfall installation was rejected.

The bidder, Diamond Engineering Co., of Grand Island, was \$2,504 above the estimate made by Donald Price, of Lincoln, the city's consultant engineer. Price's figure was in the neighborhood of 30-thousand-dollars.

The council decided to re-advertise for additional bids.

In the advertisement, appearing on page 8 of this issue, Price revised upward the estimated to 35-thousand-dollars.

One city official partially explained a lack of interest on the part of the contractors. He said the city wanted the work completed before Winter set in and contractors were reluctant to accept a deadline.

## District Court Fall Term Postponed

The Fall term of the district court, originally scheduled to begin Monday October 31, has been indefinitely postponed, according to District Judge D. R. Mounts.

On the docket for the Fall term are 16 civil and four criminal cases. However, the judge said, some of the cases will be settled out of court. When the number of cases that can not be settled out of court has been determined, a new date for the Fall term will be set.

## TEACHER RESIGNS

Mrs. Harold (Helen) Donohoe has resigned as teacher of the sixth grade at O'Neill public school, effective November 1. Mrs. Manuel Siegler has been signed to fill the vacancy.



ELIZABETH HARRIS

## ELIZABETH HARRIS WINS DISTINCTION

Honored For Outstanding Professional Nursing Achievement

A young nurse from O'Neill recently received one of the highest awards in her profession.

Miss Elizabeth Harris, daughter of Mrs. Esther Cole Harris, of O'Neill, received the Linda Richard award for outstanding professional achievement.

Announcement of the award was made at a banquet of the Iowa State Nurses' association Wednesday, October 19, at Cedar Rapids, Ia.

The banquet was part of the convention of the association which Miss Harris attended.

The O'Neill nurse, who graduated from the Methodist hospital school of nursing in Sioux City in September 1948, was judged by the association to be the outstanding nurse graduated from an Iowa nursing school during 1948.

Miss Harris was nominated for the outstanding award by the Methodist hospital school of nursing faculty after completing an outstanding record as a student.

A 1944 graduate of the O'Neill high school, Miss Harris attended the University of Nebraska for one year and was in nurses' training for three years.

For the past year she has been on the operating room staff of the Lincoln General hospital at Lincoln.

The achievement award is named for Linda Richard, first graduate nurse in the United States.

## Robertson, Hixson Sales Head Calendar

Two big farm sales are listed this weekend on The Frontier's calendar. They are: Friday, October 28: Mrs. LaVerne Robertson, administratrix, selling personal property in the Dick Robertson estate; Saturday, October 29: Vernon H. Hixson's complete dispersion sale.

The Dick Robertson estate place is located 11 miles North on highway 281, then one mile East and one-quarter mile South, of O'Neill; or five miles South of the Midway store on highway 281 and one mile East and one-quarter mile South. Included in the sale of personal property will be 130 head of cattle, five head of horses, farm and haying machinery, household goods. In addition there will be offered approximately 65 tons of good bottom hay, approximately 40 tons of alfalfa and a 32-volt cream separator. Mrs. Robertson is the administratrix; Ed Thorin, of Chambers, will be the auctioneer.

Vernon Hixson will hold a complete dispersion sale of all of his personal property and registered Herefords on Saturday, October 29, at the ranch 24 miles South on highway 281, one mile West and 1/4 mile South of O'Neill; or one mile West and three-quarters mile North of the Herley filling station. There will be 68 head of cattle, which includes 34 females and four bulls that are registered Herefords. A catalog of the registered Herefords will be mailed upon request to the owner, Vernon W. Hixson, of Chambers. There will also be 10 head horses, 17 head of registered spotted Poland Chinas, farm and haying machinery, some household goods and other miscellaneous items. Ed Thorin, of Chambers, and Johnny Donner, of Elgin, will be the auctioneers;

The Frontier's farm sale service includes radio and newspaper advertising and handbills and assures sellers of maximum results for a minimum cost. Sales advertised by The Frontier this Fall have been attracting capacity crowds.

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## YOUTHS TO JAIL ON DRIVING COUNT

Donald Riley, 18, and Richard Hynes, 17, Draw 20 Days

Two O'Neill teen-age drivers Tuesday were fined \$50 and costs, sentenced to 20 days in the Holt county jail, and had their drivers' licenses revoked for one year. Donald Riley, 18, and Richard Hynes, 17, appeared before H. W. Tomlinson, O'Neill's justice of the peace, and plead guilty.

They were charged with "willful and reckless driving" by State Patrolman Fay Robeson. The charge grew out of an accident involving the Riley car and a machine owned by Gilbert Mitchell, of O'Neill. The accident occurred at 5:45 p. m. Monday one block South of the Outlaw Implement Co. in West O'Neill.

The Mitchell car was a Southbound and Riley was going West when the accident occurred. After the collision the Mitchell car crashed head-on into a tree.

Riley told Robeson his car was traveling between 35 and 40 miles-per-hour, turned three-fourths of the way over and caught afire. H. W. Tomlinson extinguished the fire. The machine was on the front lawn at the Woody Grim residence on the Southwest corner of the intersection.

Robeson told the court he had "repeatedly warned" the drivers against speeding and "playing tag".

Robeson said Riley and Hynes had "played tag" before. "Tag" is when two or more vehicles race through the city with one designated as "it." Until bumpers are touched one vehicle pursues other cars. Then the procedure starts over again.

Justice Tomlinson told The Frontier that this sort of play endangers the lives of other people, as well as the drivers themselves, and he was impelled to punish the offenders in an effort to discourage reckless driving.

Robeson estimated damage to the Riley car between \$300 and \$400 and to the Mitchell car between \$200 and \$300.

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This car and truck figured in crash in which two were killed.—The Frontier Photo by John H. McCarville.



MRS. VIOLA MORGAN



D. F. MORGAN

## Next Dollar Days November 4 and 5

Friday and Saturday, November 4 and 5, are dates for the next Dollar Days merchandising event sponsored by O'Neill business firms.

The citywide sale is the second in a series. Dollar Days were staged October 14 and 15 with remarkable success.

Next week's issue of O'Neill newspapers will carry full details.

## Mother-General Here from Holland



Rev. Mother Ignace (right), of Heythuizen, Holland, is superior general of the Sisters of Francis. She has spent a week at St. Mary's academy here, accompanied by Assistant Mother Clarissa (left), a Californian.

## St. Mary's Host to School Leader in Conical Visitation

Photo and Story by ELLEN LANDON

Since she was elected superior general of the Sisters of St. Francis in 1947, Rev. Mother Ignace has traveled thousands of miles and has been a guest in hundreds of convents and fields of labor of the order in visitation such as she has been making this past week here at St. Mary's convent and St. Mary's academy.

What is more, she will travel many thousands more miles as next year she goes to Brazil; the following year around her native Holland; and in 1952 through Germany. There will be another election in 1953.

a great contrast to the quiet, shoes were just like theirs and and settled existence she has told them about the children in Holland who do wear wooden shoes—particularly those in the country and in small villages.

"Americans are so friendly and helpful and seem to appreciate the work of the sisters," she commented, adding that her arrival in this country last February for visitations to the three provinces in United States marked her first visit here.

"She is my interpreter," said the Reverend Mother.

However, both Mother Clarissa and Americans who talk with Rev. Mother Ignace are agreed that the latter does not need an interpreter. Her excellent English is marked only by a pleasing Dutch accent, and her grasp of American idiomatic expressions is amazing.

Rev. Mother Ignace and Mother Clarissa have been (Continued on page 4)

## Aged Mother, Son Are Killed

### O'NEILL MARKET CHANGES HANDS

Albion Men to Conduct First Sale Here on December 1

O'Neill's livestock market will be under new management December 1.

James G. Fredrickson, manager of the Fredrickson Commission Co., this week announced that he will suspend operations before December 1. Fredrickson's last scheduled sale will be Thursday, November 17. Because of Thanksgiving there will be no sale on November 24.

New operators will be Verne and Leigh Reynoldson, cousins, both of Albion. They have entered into an agreement with the O'Neill Civic club, which owns the premises here.

Since April, 1946, Fredrickson has operated the market on a lease basis. Fredrickson came here from Bassett of that year.

He will go to a ranch near Long Pine and do auctioneering work in that locality. The Fredrickson family will not move from O'Neill until after the school term is ended.

Mr. and Mrs. Fredrickson have three children: Geraldine, 16; Gene, 14; and Carol, 11.

The Reynoldsons have disposed of their interests in a sale barn at Albion and are making arrangements to move their families here.

## Construction Seen In Spring, 1950

James M. Corkle, chairman of the St. Anthony's hospital building fund committee, said construction is slated to begin during the Spring of 1950 on the St. Anthony's hospital.

In preparation for the actual physical construction of the 40-bed health center, Corkle and L. D. Putnam are moving the barn and chicken house from the site.

The buildings were purchased by Corkle and Putnam on October 3 at the \$5-per-plate banquet-auction held here.

Although the original hospital fund goal has been reached, the building fund headquarters continues to operate and Mrs. Glen Tomlinson, manager, said Wednesday that the new popular subscription total is \$108,700.

Nine room memorials have been pledged to date in addition to the building fund. These are being sold at one-thousand-dollars each. Funds will be used to furnish rooms and equip the hospital.

A goat, originally belonging to Mary Jane Flanagan, of O'Neill, and donated to the calf auction, was inadvertently omitted from the summary of the calf sale, Mrs. Tomlinson explained. The goat sold for \$5. Recently the (Continued on page 4)

### Funeral Services Are Held Tuesday for Crash Victims

Mrs. Viola A. Morgan, 86, and her son, D. F. Morgan, 60, died about 4:50 p. m. Saturday in an auto-truck crash at the intersection of highways 20 and 281, two miles Northwest of O'Neill.

Double funeral services were held at 2 p. m. Tuesday in the Methodist church with Rev. V. R. Bell, church pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Mineola cemetery.

The driver of the semi-stock truck, Marlie Featherston, 26, of Atkinson, was uninjured.

The accident occurred when the Southbound Morgan car was coming onto highway 20 from highway 281 and Featherston was near the East end of the Danceland curve on highway 20. Featherston was going West.

At the inquest he'd Monday at the Biglin funeral home, the driver of the truck said it appeared to him that Morgan had "lost control of his car" seconds prior to the accident.

Featherston said he attempted to avoid the collision by swinging the truck to his left. The truck ended in the ditch inside the curve.

The six-man coroner's jury returned a verdict that the aged mother and her son met their death by an "unavoidable accident," according to Holt county Attorney W. W. Griffin, who conducted the investigation.

On the scene of the accident, parts of the demolished Morgan vehicle were strewn for a radius of 40 yards.

Among the first to arrive on the scene was William Anson, of O'Neill. He said Mr. Morgan was lying a few feet from the car on the highway and Mrs. Morgan was half way out of the car.

Robert Clinkerscales, a mortician employee of Biglin Bros., said at the inquest Morgan had "signs of life" when he arrived at the accident, but was pronounced dead upon arrival at the O'Neill hospital.

The damage to the truck was not estimated.

Viola Antonetta Sherman was born June 15, 1863, at Mineral Point, Wisc., a daughter of Theodore and Mary Sherman. She was reared in Wisconsin and came with her parents in a covered wagon to the Mineola community, in Northeastern Holt county, in about 1886. The family first lived in a dugout.

She was the eldest of 11 children. The other children were Julia, Mabel, Emma, Phoebe, Rhoda, Jesse, Charles, Harry and Henry. The mother and seven of the children died from (Continued on page 4)

### DIES IN PARADE

Mrs. Elsie Slattery recently received word this week of the death of her brother, William Ambrose, in London, England. Mr. Ambrose dropped dead while participating in a policemen's parade.