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## ATKINSON GRABS 19 'SUPERIORS'

O'Neill and St. Mary's Produce 15 Each; Over 1,000 Compete

Atkinson captured 19 "superior" ratings in the annual third district high school music contest held here last week. O'Neill and St. Mary's academy produced 15 "superiors" each, while Neligh pressed closely with 14.

"Superiors" earned by other schools follow: Ainsworth, 8; Tilden, 5; Chambers, 4; Wheeler county and Orchard, 3 each; Stuart and Rock county, 2 each; Plainview, Page, Clearwater and Meadow Grove, 1 each.

More than a thousand contestants vied for honors in the three-day event which began at 8 p. m. on Wednesday, April 6, and closed Friday night, April 18.

The following "superior" ratings were issued:

Piano solos—Janice Fullerton, Ainsworth; Dale Jarvis, Atkinson; Helen Kubitschek, St. Mary's.

Girls' high voice—Marilyn Peterson, Atkinson; Helen Urton, O'Neill; June Rudnick, Tilden; Kathleen Flood, Dolores Fredrickson and Joan Frenking, St. Mary's.

Girls' medium voice—Elaine Harshfield, Atkinson; Nancy Froelich, St. Mary's.

Girls' low voice—Helen Spence, Atkinson; Mildred Haynes, Page; Donna Kratter, Stuart; Darlene Garrison, Tilden.

Boys' medium voice—Bill Bartlett, Bob Adams and Norman Walter, Chambers; Robert Werner, Meadow Grove; Guy Harris, O'Neill.

Boys' low voice—John Toker, Atkinson; Jim Burke, Bassett; Charles Frady, Chambers; Richard Connell, O'Neill.

Oboe solo—Betty Humphrey, Atkinson.

Flute solo—Gayl Widtfeldt, O'Neill; Pat Brennan, St. Mary's.

Saxophone solo—Mary McClurg, Atkinson; Roger Baker and Bob Middleton, Neligh; Evelyn Brady, O'Neill.

Clarinet solo—Don Crook, Ainsworth; June Ristow, Plainview.

Cornet solo—Sam Oetter, Neligh; Dolores DeBolt, O'Neill; Tom Hartly, St. Mary's.

French horn—Marjorie Hungerford, O'Neill; Kathryn Ann Golden, St. Mary's.

Baritone horn solo—Rosaline Bosn, St. Mary's.

Trombone solo—Bert Bates, Ainsworth; Bob McPherson, Neligh; Wally Shelhamer, O'Neill.

Tympani solo—Dan DeBacker, St. Mary's.

Baton twirlers—Bonnie Jackson, Ainsworth; Evelyn Friedel, Atkinson; Leona Ingram, Bartlett; Bonnie Miller and Luella Stonebraker, Neligh.

Cornet trio—O'Neill, Orchard, St. Mary's.

Saxophone quartet—Atkinson. Clarinet quartet—Ainsworth, Neligh.

Drum trio—Neligh. Brass sextet—Neligh, O'Neill. Trombone duet—Neligh.

Girls' trio—Chambers, St. Mary's.

Girls' sextet—Ainsworth, Atkinson, Orchard, Stuart.

Girls' octet—Atkinson, Tilden.

Mixed octet—Atkinson, St. Mary's.

Mixed triple trio—St. Mary's. Boys' trio—Atkinson. Boys' quartet—Atkinson. Boys' octet—Ainsworth, Atkinson.

Girls' triple trio—Neligh. Mixed ensemble—Atkinson. Bands—Class B, Neligh, O'Neill; Class C, Atkinson; Class D, Bartlett, Orchard.



FLOOD SWEEPS LANSING

Typical of worst floods in history is the Lansing, Mich., flood which recently hit the state capital of Michigan. Flood conditions were serious

in many parts of the Nation and resulted in millions of dollars in property loss. Many farming regions were damaged.

Crop loss as well as loss to farm buildings, equipment and livestock was extremely heavy in several states.

## TREE-PLANTING MARKS ARBOR

Many of the Estimated 185,000 Seedlings Are Placed

Arbor day was informally observed in Holt county as hundreds of seedlings brought into the county through Government-sponsored tree-planting programs found their way into Holt soil.

Tuesday's holiday coincided with the arrival of thousands of Clarke-McNary and commercial

seedlings which make up Holt county's 1947 order for 185,000. Shipments began to trickle in three weeks ago from commercial nurseries near Fremont and the Halsey National Forest.

Because raw, damp weather kept farmers from the fields on Arbor day, many took the opportunity to place seedlings. However, there was no organized tree-planting program set up for Arbor day itself.

Over 64,000 Clarke-McNary seedlings have been ordered through the Holt county extension service; 78,000 have been ordered through the soil conservation district, and an estimated 24,000 are being obtained through other sources.

The soil district's tree-planter is already scheduled to plant at least 65,000 trees for 35 cooperatives.

County Agent A. Neil Dawes estimates that Holt's bid for trees will probably top all other counties in the state.

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## New Uniforms for Police; Rakish Flavor Disappears

O'Neill's two-man police force is now decked-out in the approved Chicago-style blue uniforms, which are standard in Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha and in other cities.

Heretofore, Police Chief Chester Calkins wore the only complete uniform and assistants frequently were obliged to assemble outfits with a rakish flavor.

The new uniforms were issued to Calkins and to Joe Wert.

## RED CROSS DRIVE DOUBLES QUOTA

Holt county more than doubled its quota in the 1947 American Red Cross membership and fund-raising drive, which just ended.

County Chairman R. H. ("Ray") Shriner said that the push netted \$3,769.59 in comparison with the quota of \$1,612, which was fixed by the state ARC headquarters.

O'Neill led the cities and towns with \$1,035.95; Atkinson, second, \$909.35; Stuart, third, \$529.44; Page, fourth, \$343.25; Chambers, fifth, \$341; Ewing, sixth, \$280.30; Inman, seventh, \$170.30; Emmet, eighth, \$160.

Mr. Shriner said that 1,895 persons contributed "a dollar or more" and 75 gave "less than a dollar."

## PHONE STRIKE ENTERS 3D WEEK

The walkout of 21 members of the National Federation of Telephone Workers, employed here by Northwestern Bell Telephone company, is now in its third week. The strikers include 17 telephone operators.

Meanwhile, there are no fresh developments that point to a settlement of the Nationwide dispute between telephone management and labor.

Manning the O'Neill exchange and toll center, besides Manager Harry Peterson and Chief Operator Carlyn Neiers, are Miss Jean Biglin, Miss Mary Young, and Mrs. Margaret Jurgensmeier, all of O'Neill; Miss Anna Coufal, of Atkinson; Miss Grace Wulley, of Omaha; Mrs. Helen Chancelor and Miss Catherine Webster, both of St. Paul. None of these belong to the union.

## KIN 'OKAY' IN TEXAS DISASTER

Mr. and Mrs. Fay Persons, of O'Neill, have advised friends here that members of their family are "okay" in the Texas City, Tex., disaster area.

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## JURORS HEAR TWO ACTIONS

Orchard World War II Veteran in Suit Against Father

The Spring term of the Holt county district court convened here Monday with only two suits awaiting trial by jury.

On Monday the jury heard an action brought by Mariane Hansen, of O'Neill, against Charles Lawrence, also of O'Neill. The plaintiff sought \$1,000 damages for alleged personal injuries in a truck mishap in 1945.

The jury returned a verdict that same day in favor of the defendant. Jurors were: Clem Oldering, of Stuart; Ernest Gottschall, of Atkinson; Andy Schmidt, of O'Neill; Emmett Crabb, of O'Neill; Ray G. Slaymaker, of Stuart; Robert Teafe, of Emmet; P. V. Hickey, of O'Neill; William Siebert, of Atkinson; Theo Moss, of Chambers; Ed Pavel, of Ewing; D. Hutton, of Ewing, and Mrs. W. A. Smith, of Chambers.

J. J. Harrington, of O'Neill, was attorney for the plaintiff; Julius D. Cronin, of O'Neill, for the defendant.

Leaves for Service—In the second action, Walter H. Schwager, of Orchard, brought suit for alleged conversion of personal property against his father, August Schwager, of Ewing, in a dispute that developed after young Mr. Schwager had departed for service in World War II.

At 4 p. m. today (Thursday) the court was still hearing the case.

Attorneys for the plaintiff are Julius D. Cronin, of O'Neill, and Harold Rice, of Neligh; for the defendant, William W. Griffin, of O'Neill, and E. A. Butterfield, of Neligh.

Jurors are: Emmet Crabb, of O'Neill; P. V. Hickey, of O'Neill; John Mohr, of Amelia; Theo Moss, of Chambers; James Mullen, of O'Neill; Robert Pease, of Emmet; V. D. Peterson, of Atkinson; Dolly Reiser, of Butte; Roy Seery, of Chambers; William Diebert, of Atkinson; Mrs. Orville Siebert, of Atkinson, and J. O. Winnings, of Atkinson.

District Judge D. R. Mounts, of O'Neill, is presiding.

Funeral services were held Friday afternoon at the Gospel Mission church in Page for Prince T. Stevens, 90, who died at his home April 16. Rev. R. L. Gowan, church pastor, officiated. Burial was in the Page cemetery.

Palbearers were William Newbauer, Meryl Ellsberry, Otto Terrill, Robert Strong, Dave Bowen and H. O. Parks.

Relatives from a distance attending the services were: Mrs. Earl Neilen, of Sioux City; Guy Stevens, of Lincoln; Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Stevens, of Atkinson; Mr. and Mrs. Dean Stevens, of Chambers; Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Stevens, of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. LaVern Stevens and Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Waller, of O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Keith Weyer, of Essex, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. Gene Baber, of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. Duane Gray, of Lynch, and Ralph Gray, of Inman.

Miss Helen C. Urton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Urton, a member of the junior class of O'Neill high school, has been selected as the 1947 girls' state representative of the American Legion Auxiliary, Unit No. 93.

Miss Janet Enright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Enright, a junior of St. Mary's academy, was named alternate.

Cornhusker Girls' State will be held on the University of Nebraska campus June 9-15.

Girls with "outstanding qualification of character, service, leadership, health and scholarship" are selected for the program.

Boys' state representatives already chosen by the Chamber of Commerce and American Legion respectively are John Berrigan, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Berrigan, and Paul W. Moseman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul E. Moseman.

Country Club in 2d Luncheon—The second in a series of Country club luncheons was held Wednesday afternoon. The hostesses were Mrs. Dale Kerssenbrock, Mrs. J. J. Harrington and Mrs. F. J. Fischer. High scorer for the afternoon was Mrs. Melvin Ruzicka. The all-cut was won by Mrs. J. J. Harrington.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grage and Mr. and Mrs. Charles ("Sammy") Regan visited Mr. and Mrs. John Walker Sunday in Ainsworth.

## ACHIEVEMENT DAY SET FOR MAY 6

ATKINSON—Holt county's 24 home extension clubs will participate in the county-wide achievement day program which will be held Tuesday, May 6, in the Atkinson high school auditorium. The affair will coincide with national home demonstration week, May 4-11.

Featured on the program will be Miss Helen Shepard, of Chicago, Ill., home economist for the National Livestock and Meat board. She will demonstrate meat cookery. In addition to Miss Shepard's demonstration, the afternoon program will include community singing, musical numbers, skits, recognition of officers, exhibits, and a tea.

Mrs. E. A. Bauska, of Stuart, is chairman of the Holt extension council, which is in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Mervin Shattuck, of Stuart, is group chairman; Mrs. Eli McConnell, of Atkinson, Mrs. Merwyn French, of Page, and Mrs. Elmer Wandersee, of Chambers, are assisting with arrangements.

The activities will be open to the public.

Farm work is 2 weeks behind Wednesday's rain and snow reminiscent of freakish storm

Rain and snow pelted down on the O'Neill region early Wednesday forcing a further delay in already behind-schedule farm work. In O'Neill, the citizens awakened to find some snow on the ground. The scene was mildly reminiscent of 10 years ago this week when an off-season snow, driven by high winds, snarled traffic, disrupted communications, and rotary snowplows were needed to open highway 20 east of here.

County Agent A. Neil Dawes estimates that Spring farm work is now "at least two weeks behind schedule." He said the condition of the soil is "excellent" but the unusually cold weather has retarded the putting in of small grain.

Most farmers are going ahead where they can, but if further delay sets in many will alter their plans and put in corn instead.

Rye fields look good in most sections of Holt and Boyd counties. Many ranchers short of hay are giving protein supplement to their cattle and are turning them onto the range.

The week's highest temperature was 65, reached last Thursday afternoon, and the lowest was 30, reached on Friday night. The summary, based on 24-hour periods ending at 8 a. m. daily:

	Hi	Lo	Moist.
April 18	65	45	
April 19	59	30	
April 20	55	30	
April 21	67	43	
April 22	57	35	
April 23	37	22	
April 24	51	31	

Legion Auxiliary Organized at Page

PAGE—At a meeting last Thursday evening at the American Legion hall here, 14 women decided to organize a Legion Auxiliary unit here.

The following officers were elected: Miss Una Borden, president; Miss Katherine Stevens, vice-president; Mrs. Bernard Kornock, secretary; Mrs. Louise Bartos, treasurer; Mrs. Allen Haynes, chaplain; Mrs. William Fink, historian; Mrs. James Voehl, sergeant-at-arms; and Mrs. J. C. King, membership chairman.

A committee will make a survey of all eligible members.

Probing in Closet with Lighted Match Costly

AMELIA—Lloyd Waldo was probing in a clothes closet with a lighted match at his home here last week.

Several minutes later fire was discovered in the closet. Mr. Waldo explained that a raveling or thread must have caught fire.

Some clothing was destroyed.

Going Overseas—Sgt. and Mrs. Lorin Keyes and daughter, Mary, arrived Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Jonas from Columbus, Ga. Sgt. Keyes will return Monday and will be shipped overseas. Mrs. Keyes and Mary will depart for Oregon to stay with her parents until they can join Sgt. Keyes.

To Visit in Oregon—Mrs. W. H. Harty left Sunday for Portland, Ore., to visit her mother, Mrs. Mary Mullen.

## LEGION PLANS BUILDING BEE

Vets and Friends Will Turnout Sunday to Erect Quonset

The American Legion post here, without a "home" for years, will in a single day attempt to alter that situation.

An all-day building-bee is planned Sunday when the recently-purchased 40 x 160-foot quonset hut will be erected on the Douglas street residential lot donated to the club by J. B. Ryan, O'Neill hay and grain dealer.

According to Commander Glea H. Wade, the bee will begin at 8:30 a. m. All Legionnaires are being urged to be present. Commander Wade said that anyone—including non-Legionnaires—is invited to assist with the project. He said that there would be a need for trucks, shovels, and carpenter tools.

Sod Turned—A fortnight ago the Legion decided to spend \$14,000 for the purchase of the quonset-type club building, which will contain an auditorium, a clubroom, lounges and offices.

This week the sod was turned in preparation for the laying of the foundation. Mr. Ryan turned the first shovel of dirt in the presence of Commander Wade, and Legionnaires Don Enright, John Grutsch and William W. Griffin.

The building will be 20-feet longer than initially planned. The site donated by Mr. Ryan faces south on Douglas street in the same block as the Holt county courthouse annex building.

CRASH VICTIM BURIED FRIDAY

AMELIA—Funeral services for Frank W. Preuit, 44, Amelia rancher who was killed instantly in an automobile accident at Stuart on April 15, were held Friday at the Methodist church in Atkinson. Burial was in the Chambers cemetery. Rev. W. C. Birmingham, of Atkinson, officiated.

Forrest W. Sammons, 31, and Henry Travers, 35, both of Amelia, who were accompanying Mr. Preuit when the machine overturned, were uninjured, and are recovering from shock.

Mr. Preuit is survived by a widow and six children.

World War I Vet's Body to Arlington

LYNCH—The body of Charles C. Carroll, 57, who died April 11 in the Veterans' hospital at Lincoln, this week was shipped to Arlington, Va., for burial in the Arlington Memorial cemetery. A veteran of World War I, his body will be buried near the grave of his brother, Frank, who was killed in Europe during the same conflict.

Mr. Carroll had suffered a series of apoplectic strokes while residing in the Soldiers' and Sailors' home at Gand Island. On March 17 he was removed to the Veterans' hospital at Lincoln.

O'Neill, Page Students Win 'U' Recognition

LINCOLN—Helen Marie Hagensick, of O'Neill, has been recognized for high scholarship at the University of Nebraska honors convocation held here Tuesday. She is in the upper 10 percent of the sophomore class.

Dale Stauffer, of Page, also won recognition. He is in the upper 10 percent of his sophomore class at the college of agriculture.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Frank J. Prussa, 38, and Catherine U. Flannery, 30, both of Atkinson, April 19, 1947.

Harold E. Colfack, 23, and Viola M. Keithley, 16, both of Atkinson, April 19, 1947.

Joseph John Turay, 27, and Mary Lillian Cunningham, 26, both of O'Neill, April 21, 1947.

Lyle E. Oliver, 25, of Burke, S. D., and Edith Deering, 22, of Lucas, S. D., April 23, 1947.

Future Subscribers

CRUMLEY—Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Crumley, of Page, a son, born Thursday, April 17, in the Lynch hospital.

WARNER—Mr. and Mrs. Delbert P. Warner, of Mariaville, a daughter, Kathleen Ann, born Thursday, April 10, at the Bassett hospital. The Warners have a son, Gerald Mitchell. They are former O'Neill residents.



DE GAULLE RETURNS

Gen. Charles de Gaulle, spear-head of the French die-hard spirit when France was overrun in 1940, is shown as he delivered address at Brunehof's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Osenbaugh for the past few weeks.