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# Mrs. Menish At 99th Milestone THE FRONTIER

Mrs. William Menish celebrated her 99th birthday anniver-VOLUME 67. -NUMBER 44. sary Tuesday, March 9.

To "Grandma" Menish it was simply another in a long succession of birthday anniversaries. To her friends and relatives, **FILINGS FOR** it advanced her further in the direction of being the oldest person in this region.

The celebration was a quiet affair with a dozen neigh-bors and several of her own family in for a dinner at noon and Mrs. Menish took out from her usual workaday tasks to reminisce.

Born in the mining town of Carbondale, Pa., in 1849, Bridgett O'Malley, whose parents came from Ireland, was a fragile little school girl in Scranton, Pa., when Abraham Lincoln was a candidate for president. Her heartbeat quickened when she saw tall Abe enter the then-fashionable Wyoming house in Scranton

Bridgett O'Malley was so frail that her parents fretted over close of the period for filing for the April 13 primary elecher health.

Later, she married William? a young machinist Menish, a young machinist from Patterson, N. J. They Catholic CHILDERS RITES were married in a Catholic cathedral in Scranton that stands there still.

Early in 1878 Mr. Menish came to Holt county, Nebraska. He was impressed and went back to Pennsylvania for his wife and 4 small children. They came by rail to Wisner (then a terminal), and made the trip from Wisner here in a wagon-like most of the other early settlers came to this region.

Mr. and Mrs. Menish took a homestead in Shields township, 6 miles north and 2 miles west of O'Neill. Shields township then was a veritable sea of tall grass.

Some of the people were living in sodhouses; others in improvised structures that they called houses. The Menish family was lucky. They had shingles on their roof! Mr. and Mrs. Menish endur-

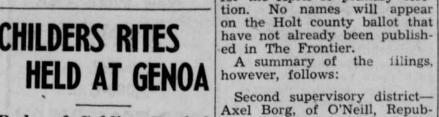
ed the rugged life on the frontier. Four of their children were

born in the East: Mrs. R. J. (Kathryn) Marsh, of O'Neill; John and Arthur (both deceased); and Hugh C., of Luverne, Minn. Four were born in Holt county: Mrs. H. J. (Mary) Thomey, of British Columbia, Canada; Mrs. William P. (Frances) Dailey, of Emmet; Edward, of O'Neill, and Mrs. John (Be-atrice) Welsh, of Wolcott. Mrs. Menish's parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus ial in the United States.

O'Malley, also came to Holt county and lived in the O'Neill Logion Colo vicinity. They are buried here. Mr. Menish died in 1907.

Mr. Menish died in 1907. Looking back over her long life, Mrs. Menish firmly be-lieves that the period following the Civil war was the most The business meeting was the most of Mrs. C. M. Eason. The business meeting was the most of Ne. 1907. Legion auxiliary met Friday at the home of Mrs. C. M. Eason. The business meeting was the most of O'Neill; Arthur Regal, of Atkinson, (alternate); Earl Col-lins, of Atkinson, (alternate). Democratic—Francis D. Lee, of 1923, he came to O'Ne'll with

edonia.



Body of Soldier Buried lican; Howard Oberle, of Dorwith Full Military Rites

## SPECIAL TO THE FRONTIER

Fourth supervisory district-CHAMBERS- The body of Frank Cronk, of Page, Repub-Pvt. Harold Childers, who was lican; Frank Mlnarik, of Ewthe first Chambers man to be ing, Republican; Ewald Spahn, reported missing in action dur-ing World War II, was buried Monday at Genoa with full military rites. Private Childers was killed Private Childers was killed

zor, of Ewing, Democrat; Em-met W. Wright, of Ewing, on November 26, 1942, in the Pacific theater of operations. Democrat.

Sixth supervisory district-A son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Childers, of Genoa, formerly of Chambers, he en-listed in the army in March, Cmith, of Stuart, Republican; A. M. Batenhorst, of Stuart, 1941, and went overseas with the 134th infantry regiment in March, 1942. He was in-itially stationed in New Cal-Democrat Judge, Fifteenth judicial dis-trict (nonpolitical) — D. R. Mounts, of O'Neill (incumbent).

Judge, Holt county (nonpo-litical) — Louis H. Reimer, of Jack Alderson, a brother-inlaw of the deceased soldier, O'Neill (incumbent). and Cleo Alderson, a friend, drove to Genoa Monday to Member of the State Legisattend the rites. Private Childer's body was among the first of the World Was at the World th War II dead to be returned Stuart. (John L. Copeland, on from the Pacific for final bur- Mariaville, incumbent, is not a

Legion Celebrate Guy Cole, of Emmet; J. D. Cronin, of O'Neill; Ed Mat-

CHAMBERS-The American ousek, of Atkinson; Ira Moss,

## Forty-nine bank officials, representing banking institu-tions in the North-Central Ne-braska Regional Clearing House association, met in a regularly scheduled Spring meeting in the American Le-gion building here last Thursday night.

The highlights of the meet-ing included an anti-inflation talk by James H. Moore, of Omaha, vice-president of the Omaha National bank, and a review of a recent European trip by Crawford J. Morten-sen, of Ord, president of the Nebraska State bank there.

Mr. Moore elaborated on the anti-inflationary policies adopted by the American Bankers' association and cautioned the

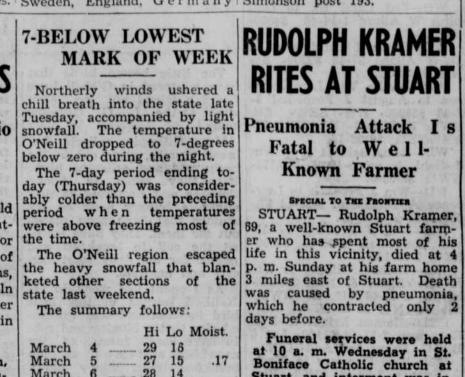
observations and experiences.



O'NEILL, NEBRASKA, THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 1948.

**Bankers Hear Precautionary Plea** 

cautioned bankers in antiinflation talk .- The Frontier Photo by Joh H. McCarville.



March 4 29 16 27 15 .17 March -----March 28 14 -----Stuart, and interment was in 27 March 7 12 -----March 28 8 ----9

the St. Boniface cemetery. 52 Rev. A. J. Paschang, of Stu-25 .08 art, and Rev. Joseph Kaup, ------7 of Omaha, formerly of Stuart, officiated. .25 Survivors include: Widow sons-Leo and Lawrence, both and Mrs. Florence INFANT SON DIES LYNCH- The infant son of Berard, of Omaha; and Louis, February 28 in a Butte, Mont., Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wike, of Topeka, Kans., died February 29. The grandparents are Mr. St. Paul; brothers—John, Aug-Mrs. McMullen, the former and Mrs. John Wike, of Lynch. ust and Frank; sister - Mrs. Nellie Sullivan, was a resident Frank Hamik.

and the Low Countries. Mr. Mortensen's ancestral home is

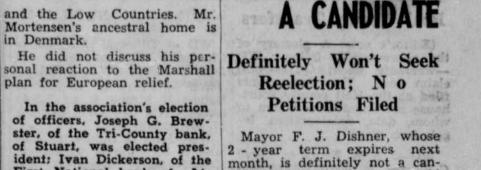
in Denmark.

In the association's election of officers, Joseph G. Brew-ster, of the Tri-County bank, of Stuart, was elected pres-ident: Ivan Dickerson, of the First National bank of Atkinson, was named vicepresident, and Woodrow Melena, of the O'Neill National bank, was named secretarytreasurer.

The retiring officers are: C. L. Bishop, of the Bartlett State bank, president; August Bentz, of the Spencer State bank, of Spencer, vice - president, and John C. Watson, of the First National bank, of O'Neill, secretary-treasurer.

The program followed a 3course dinner, served by the

They visited Italy, France, American Legion auxiliary of Sweden, England, Germany Simonson post 193.



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**DISHNER NOT** 

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didate for reelection. He told The Frontier Wednesday that he would not consent to his name appearing on a petition as a mayoralty candidate.

Meanwhile, in this "caucus-less" city, considerable casting-about for mayor material will be done between now and March 27 - the deadline for filing petitions.

The terms of Councilmen-James M. Corkle, James W. Rooney and Merle Hickey also expire.

Mayor Dishner's 2 - year term has been a busy one. An extensive 90 thousand dollar improvement program in connection with the municipal water works has been completed; contracts have been let and arrangements made for extension of the city's sewer dispos-al system; the city ordinances, many of them outmoded and useless, have been revised and made effective; a zoning ordi-nance was adopted after sev-eral months of planning and

parleying. Mr. Dishner served 2 terms as mayor prior to World War

The terms of 2 board of education members, Ira H. Moss and Hugh J. Birmingham, also expire this year. Both are 3-year terms.

No petitions have as yet been filed with City Clerk O. D. French, although several petitions, it is said, are in circulation or are about to be circulated.

## Montanan, Native of O'Neill, Succumbs

Mrs. Albert McMullen, about 65. daughter of the late Mr.

Second supervisory districtsey, Democrat; George D. Hansen, of O'Neill, Democrat. (Jo- bankers about granting excess seph Schollmeyer, of Dorsey, credit on speculative invest-Democrat incumbent, is not ments.

PRIMARY END

4th Supervisory District

Race Most Popular;

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seeking reelection.)

Last Thursday marked the

The Ord banker, who with his wife returned in October from a tour of western Europe, confined his talk to personal



## **Attend Services**

Funeral services were held Saturday at 10 a.m. in St. Patrick's Catholic church here for the time. Robert P. Parkins, 24, son of lature, 28th District (nonpoliti- Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Parkins, officiated and burial was in Mariaville, incumbent, is not a Calvary cemetery.

> The young O'Neill man, who has been a radio announcer on several midwestern stations during recent years, died in a Lincoln hos-March pital. Death was caused by

from the famous Gettysburg struggle caused.

Mrs. Menish carries out daily household duties, including washing. She attributes her longevity to this activity. She has never been seriously ill cently she has abandoned daily newspaper reading.

Mrs. Menish is not building big hopes for her 100th birth- 3 Youths Arrested day anniversary or for anything that far away. She's looking forward to Easter and mass at St. Patrick's Catholic church in O'Neill.

'If the roads are passable, I'll be there, I never miss church on Easter."

## Guy Stone, Formerly

ORCHARD- Guy Stone, 80, of Republican City, formerly of Orchard, is dead. The imformerly mediate cause of the death was intestinal influenza.

Survivors include: Widow, the former Miss Lucille Hemenway; daughter, Mrs. Fern to the Melvin Marcellus resi-Paradise, of Kearney, and several grandchildren.

Funeral services and burial took place Tuesday at Kearney. The late Mr. Stone was a longtime resident of the Or Funeral services and burial longtime resident of the Orchard community, recently establishing residence at Republican City.

### HOLT COUNTY EDUCATIONAL NOTES Elja McCullough, County Superintendent

A music practice meet for rural schools will be held in Atkinson on Saturday, March 20, at the public school auditorium.

This is the meeting which was postponed earlier in the school year. Miss Mary Dodson, of Wilber, will conduct the afternoon exercises. Teachers, their pupils and parents are invited to attend. It is to begin at 1 p. m.

Eighth grade examinations are to be held during the first week in May. The next regular teachers'

examinations will be held in O'Neill on Saturday, May 1.

## Trainer Meeting Held-

CHAMBERS - A trainer ers was held Monday at the was extinguished. home of Mrs. Frank Spath. The lesson was "My Kitchen," presented by Catherine Kirwin, home agent .

her daughter, Beverly Ann, went to Hartington Sunday, Allan, and family. of Stuart; Faye Moses, of Stuart; Laura Muford, of went to Hartington Sunday. Beverly Ann will remain for an extended visit with Mrs. Steskal's folks, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Hogan.

conducted by the president, Atkinson;; John Sullivan, of Mrs. J. W. Walters. It was O'Neill; Michael Horiskey, ty at the Veteran's hospital at kinson, (alternate); J. Q. Arch-Lincoln and to send a gift for er, of Ewing. Easter to a Red Cross nurse.

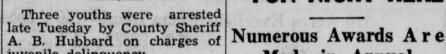
Delegates to county Republican convention (1950): H. W. Plans were made to assist the Legion with observance of their anniversary celebration Esther Cole Harris, L. G. Giland her vision is good, but re- next month, and for the auxil- lespie, all of O'Neill, and Earl iary play, which is being pre- Collins, of Atkinson.

candidate for reelection.)

Delegates to the state con-

vention (1950): Republican -Frank J. Brady, of Atkinson;





by Don Fullerton of Amelia; dance, by Riverside 4-H club members; slides of 4-H club

Awards were made to the

juvenile delinquency. Made in Annual The arrests were an out-Youth Frolic growth of alleged pilfering of

A hearing in juvenile court, of Orchard, Dies before District Judge D. R. Four hundred 4-H club members, their parents and friends Mounts, is scheduled today attended the annual 4-H family (Thursday). fun night program in the Am-

erican Legion auditorium here FIREMEN CALLED TWICE Saturday. The O'Neill volunteer fire de-The program included recrepartment responded to-calls ation; community singing; a twice on Tuesday. In the mornwelcome, by James W. Rooney, ing the firemen were called Commerce; musical number by dence where a rubbish fire had Velma Abney and Beth Bilstarted in a hot air duct. In lings of the Happy Hollow club, of Ewing; "Why Boys and Girls Should Join 4-H Clubs?"

stances.

## 2 Moves Noted-

sented Monday.

automobiles.

2 Moves Noted— INMAN—Mr. and Mrs. Glen Brewster, of O'Neill, moved to the moves of the state of Inman the past week. They assistant state 4-H club leader, recently purchased the proper- and musical number, by Cathty of Charles Cadwallader in erine Helmricks and Evelyn the northwest part of town. Ruroede, of the Happy Hollow Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Sawyer 4-H club, of Ewing. siding in that property, moved and boys, who have been re- following: Donna Crabb, of to the house they are building O'Neill; Maxine Peterson, of Amèlia; Lorraine Coats, of Stuart; Doris Pierson, of O'in the south part of town.

## Return from Portland-

Neill; Betsy Simmons, of Page; Mrs. W. H. Harty arrived Wednesday morning from Portland, Ore., where she attended Whaley, of O'Neill; Velma Abthe funeral of her brother, M. ney, of Stuart; Catherine F. Mullen. Her mother, Mrs. Helmricks, of Orchard; Alice of O'Neill; Edward and De-lores Boyle, of O'Neill; Marcus to O'Neill.

CABIN BURNS CHAMBERS — One of the lor, of Atkinson; Mary Ellen cabing at the 5 mile corner and Catherine Boyle, of O'-Neill; Valera Lofquest, of cauught fire from an overheat-Stuart; Beverly Small, of Ammeeting for project club lead- badly damaged before the fire and Vesta Mae Mitchell, of Hull, about 70, last week. Stuart. Other members

Mrs. Lois Fern Steskal and returned from California where Dorsey; Mrs. M. M. Shattuck, self.

Stuart: Ardeth Ruroede, of Ew-Mr. and Mrs. William Strong ing; Maryln Fetrowl of O'and family spent Sunday in Neill; and Glenis White, of Am-Page and Neligh. elia.

difficult. She lived not far The business meeting was Athinson Lee, of his parents in 1937. He graduated from St. Mary's academy great deal of the hardship that voted to sponsor a bingo par- O'Neill; Farmer Withers, of At- in 1941 and attended college turning to Nebraska to enter radio work.

Relatives said his health had Tomlinson, Dr. L. A. Carter, not been good since childhood, suffering from diabetes.

> Because of adverse road and weather conditions, many kin and radio associates were unable to reach O'Neill for the

funeral services. Mrs. W. H. McInerney Survivors include: Parents; brother- John H., of Omaha, and sister-Mrs. Charles (Jane) Yarnell, of O'Neill.

The pallbearers were: Dale Kersenbrock, Fritz Hickey, Dale French, Robert Miles, Robert Shoemaker and George Hammond.

## **1,250 TO ENTER** MUSIC CONTEST

Arrangements are being made for the annual district music contest to be held here April 15 and 16. More than the radio. 1,250 musicians are expected. secretary of the Chamber of Entries have already been received from 11 bands and 30 choruses.

> Meanwhile, an elimination contest for pupils at St. Mary' academy and the O'Neill public school will be held Tuesday. Vocal contests will be held at the academy; instrumental in Mary's academy. the public school.

Keith, chairman of the music (Mame) Lyman, of Omaha, and department at Wayne State Mrs. Quentin (Sue) Deaver, of the Albert Spann home near Teachers' college; Phyllis South America.

Woods, of the music depart-Among those attending the Thomas E. Wilson and Fred ment of the Norfolk public funeral were Edward L. O'- slide a picture of Mrs. Mitchell, both of Stuart; Twila school, and Jeannette Copes, Donnell, Pat O'Donnell and ley Johnson was shown. piano instructor, of Ainsworth. Miss Anna O'Donnell.

## Mary Mullen, accompanied her Whaley, of O'Neill; Dick Clark, Man, 70, Hurt in Fall on Ice, Crawls to River Cabin

SPECIAL TO THE FRONTIER REDBIRD-The chance pass- may have cracked a bone and ed chimney Saturday night. Stuart; Beverly Small, of Am-The interior of the cabin was elia; Donna Krotter, of Stuart; have saved the life of John On Friday-4 days following

receiving a cabin near the Niobrara riv- er. Thomas Graham, happened Frank Spindler and daugh- awards were: Marvel Johnson, er about 4 miles east of Red- to be in a field near the Hull ter, Helen, called on Mr. and of Stuart; Mrs. Ed Boyle, of bird, had ventured down to the cabin. They heard Mr. Hull's Mrs. Hugo Holz Friday eve- O'Neill; Dale Graver, of Clear- river to get some water. He cries for help and investigat- formerly of Ewing, is announcning. Mr. Spindler recently water; Mary Lucille Osborn, of fell on the ice, injuring him- ed.

> Despite his wounds. he managed to crawl back to the cabin. He managed to keep a fire going and prepare some food.

The extent of his injury is

## FORMER RESIDENT 'Happy Journey' Wins **1-Act Play Contest**

Forensic students of the O'- in the P. J. McManus store. Neill public school and St. in a joint declamatory program 25 pupils. Mrs. Henry Ley, of Jeffers.

jr., of Wayne, was the critic-Cheyenne, Wyo., the former Nelle O'Donneil, daughter of judge.

the late Mr. and Mrs. John P. were: Helen Johnson, original etery. oratory; Helen Bowden, orawas in dramatic; Gayle Widtfeldt. first in humorous; Irene Searles, second in humorous.

The one-act play, "Happy Journey," won first place and "Ransom of Red Chief," second

place. Representatives of each division of each school will compete in the district contest at Atkinson March 19.

## State Forestation

CELIA - Earl Maxwell, of Survivors include: Widower; the state forestation service,

> Colored slides of farm yards were shown, two of them of Atkinson and some of the Lar-

son home near Ewing. On one slide a picture of Mrs. St.n-

Mr. Maxwell answered questions and gave a demonstration on fruit tree pruning, and showed the Hammerberg family how to plan their yard. Among the farmers of the Celia community present included: Mrs. Pat Kilmu ry, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith, Victor Frickel, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Frickel, jr., Mr. and Mrs. Keidel, Mr. and Mrs. Ray

Pease and son, Bob, Mrs. Joe Hendricks and son, Jerry.

## NEW FIRM OPENS

Mrs. Edith Brandenburg ing in this issue of The Fron-The injured man was remov- tier the opening of the Cared to the home of a brother, mel Corner in the Golden ho-Halsie Hull, where he is re- tel building. The store will feature carmel corn (from He has been living alone in which it derives its name), ice the cabin for a number of cream, a soda fountain and a snack bar.

Sullivan of Atkinson; Joseph, of Stuart; and a native of O'Neill, died

> of Montana for the last 40 years, and for the last 7 years a resident of Jeffers, near Butte.

> She was educated in O'Neill and for a time was employed

Mr. McMullen died 25 years Mary's academy participated ago. There were no children. Survivors include: Sisters-Monday. St. Mary's students were presented for criticism and O'Neill high held a dra-tratic of the students of the students of the students Margaret Tierney, both of Se-attle, Wash.; Miss Jo Sullivan matic elimination contest for and Mrs. Kate Mitchell, both

Funeral services were held March 2 in St. Joseph's Cath-Winners of the O'Neill high olic church at Jeffers and school elimination contest burial was in Holy Cross cem-

## tory; Alice Whaley, first in Mrs. McClurg Buried dramatic; Wilma Potts, second Wednesday at Stue Wednesday at Stuart

SPECIAL TO THE FRONTIES

STUART-Mrs. Jessie Mc-Clurg died early Monday in the Stuart hospital. She had been in ill health for about a year.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon in Federated church at St the Stuart, and burial was in the Stuart cemetery.

Survivors include several sons and one daughter.

WANNA HIRE A COOK CELIA—Anybody want to hire a good cook? Donnie Frickel, 10, baked a chocolate cake last week and sent a hunk over to The Frontier Woman, Blanche Spann Pease. It was good enough to stack up against the baking results of many a grown woman! Donnie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Frickel, jr., has been learning to bake the last 'ew months, and if that cake was any sample, is doing all right for himself!

## TOURNEY ROUNDUP

The recapitulation of scores in the regional class B high school basketball tournament here last week follows:

## FIRST ROUND Wednesday, March 3 Ainsworth 40, ST. MARY'S 29 Burwell 43 . . Creighton 26 Neligh 39 . . . Valentine 28 O'NEILL 49 . . . Bassett 19 SEMI-FINALS . Bassett 19 Thursday, March 4 Ainsworth 37 . O'NEILL 26

. . . Burwell 29 Neligh 38 FINALS Friday, March 5

Ainsworth 35 . . . Neligh 26

(For more details, turn to SPORTS on page 3.)

# not definitely known, but he

the accident- two neighbors, Mr. Hull, who lives alone in Howard Graham and his fath-

ceiving care.

years.

O'Donnell, died early Saturday in Cheyenne, Wyo. She had been in poor health for several months, but she stricken suddenly with the illness that took her life. The evening before her death she had spent quietly listening to

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning in Cheyenne, and burial was made there.

**DIES IN CHEYENNE** 

Stricken Suddenly;

**Funeral Tuesday** 

Mrs. W. H. McInerney,

The late Mrs. McInerney was born in O'Neill, a member of a pioneer family. She was reared here and attended St. Man Shows Slides

Judges will be: John R. schler, of O'Neill; Mrs. Ed

Total

The parochial pupils will be brothers-Edward L. O'Donnell, gave a demonstration and talk heard in the morning begin- of Lincoln; Pat O'Donnell, of at the O. A. Hammerberg ning at 9:30, and the public O'Neill; M. F. O'Donnell, of home March 3. He was assistschool pupils in the afternoon, Dallas, Tex.; John O'Donnell. of ed by Holt County Agent A. begining at 1. The bands and San Francisco. Calif.; sisters-- Neil Dawes and Hame Agent

glee clubs will be heard in a Miss Anna O'Donnell, of O'- Catherine Kirwin, both of O'joint program in the evening. Neill; Mrs. Frank (Bea) Rent- Neill.

