



Mrs. Martha Harpster, a Deloit community homesteader, recently celebrated her 95th birthday anniversary. She is the head of 5 generations. On the right is her son, Frank, 79; on the left is Fred, 54, son of Frank, and in the middle is Glenn, 28, son of Fred. Glenn is holding his 6-weeks-old son, Terry.—Photo courtesy the Neligh News.

5 'SUPERIORS' IN STATE ART MEET

O'Neill Students Grab Honors at Lincoln; Travel by Bus

O'Neill students received superior ratings at the University of Nebraska fine arts festival held Friday and Saturday at Lincoln include:

From O'Neill high school — Helen Urton, high voice; Paul Moseman, tuba.

From—St. Mary's academy—John Berigan, clarinet; Dan DeBacker, tympani; Rosalin Bosa, baritone horn.

Excellent ratings were won by O'Neill high school's 1-act play, "Happy Journey," and Gayle Widfeldt's dramatic oration, "Midsummer Night's Dream."

Excellent ratings in music were: James Bridges, of O'Neill high; Tom Hartly, Martha Mullen, Lorraine Simonson, Bernadette Hynes, John O'Neill, girls' octette (Martha Mullen, Maxine Bauer, Bernadette Thiele, Patricia Fund, Nancy Froelich, Mary Ann Knerl, Rosalin Bosa, Barbara Birmingham), girls' sextette (Joyce Steele, Joan Bauer, Jean Funk, Bernadette Thiele, Mary Ann Knerl), mixed octette (Louis Sojka, James Donohoe, John O'Neill, Edward McCarthy, Helen O'Brien, Martha Mullen, Janice Jarman, Patricia Funk), girls' trio (Bernadette Hynes, Lorraine Simonson, Marde Birmingham), all of St. Mary's.

John Berigan, Dan DeBacker and Paul Moseman were awarded music scholarships at the University of Nebraska.

Other students competing in the 2-day meet were: From O'Neill high—Eva Coker, Dwaine Borg, Kieth Anspach, members of the 1-act play cast.

From St. Mary's — Darlene Steele and Marde Birmingham. The students and their sponsors traveled by chartered bus.

Ewing Youth Gets a Genuine Kick Out of Milking

EWING — John Napier, a Ewing youth, has often said he gets a kick out of milking. But on Wednesday, April 21, he got the wrong kind of a kick.

When he entered the barn that day and got ready to milk, one of the cows got frisky and put him out for the count. In his fall to the floor, John's face grazed a nail, which tore his cheek and cut the corner of his eye. He was kayoed for about a half hour when his father, Webb Napier, rushed him to Clearwater.

A doctor patched up the youth's face and now John is back doing the chores—with a wary eye on the frisky critter.

10-Months-Old Boy, Born in Japan, Visits

PAGE—Lt. and Mrs. Horton Weiss and son were dinner guests at the I. O. Wood home Saturday. They also visited with relatives and other friends while here.

Lt. Weiss and family recently returned to the United States from Japan, where their 10-months-old son was born.

They had visited her parents in California and with his parents in Washington before coming East. After visiting at Tilden, Meadow Grove and Madison, they were going to New York where Lt. Weiss was to report May 1.

Lt. Weiss lived with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Weiss, in this vicinity for a number of years. He will be stationed at New York.

NEW TEACHER
Among the 165 teachers trained at Wayne State Teachers' college to begin careers this year is Catherine Fritton, of O'Neill.

WOMAN, 99, HEADS 5 GENERATIONS

EWING—The home of Mrs. Martha Harpster, Neligh's oldest resident, was the scene of a 5-generation get-together Saturday.

Mrs. Harpster celebrated her 99th birthday early in February. Frank Harpster, 79, one of Mrs. Harpster's two sons; Fred, 54, son of Frank; Glenn, 28, son of Fred; and Terry, the 6-weeks-old son of Glenn, were at the Harpster home for the day.

All except Mrs. Harpster and her son, Frank, live near Ewing.

Mrs. Harpster was a member of the family that homesteaded in the Deloit community in Holt county, although Neligh has been her home for a number of years. The family later moved to Oregon and then moved again to Nebraska.

Mrs. Harpster was the mother of 7 children, 5 girls, 1 of whom, Edna, is still living, and 2 boys, Frank and Walter, both still living. Walter makes his home in New Jersey, Edna lives in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Fred is the only surviving son of Frank. The other son, Walter, died at the age of 12. Glenn is Fred's only boy. As far as is known, Terry is the only great-grandchild.

FORMER EDITOR 'BUGLE' EXPIRES

Ex-Chambers Newsman, Dies in New York After a Stroke

CHAMBERS — Rev. Fern Smith, who 36 years ago edited the now defunct Chambers Bugle, is dead.

He died on Saturday, April 3, in Johnstown, N. Y., according to word received by relatives here. An apoplectic stroke was given as the cause of his death.

Funeral services were held at the First Baptist church in Jamestown, of which he was the pastor during recent years. Survivors include 5 nephews in the Chambers vicinity: Milton, Hubert, Fred, Ed and George Smith.

ROAD CONTRACT LET
Contracts totaling 871 thousand dollars were let Monday by the state highway department in Lincoln. They included: Johnstown-Ainsworth, 9.9 miles, detours, blacktop—Lee & Johnson, Inc., Sioux City, \$128,243.



HERO'S BODY RETURNS

The body of Pvt. Warren M. Woepfel (above), of Ewing, has returned to the United States for final burial. This Ewing soldier died at St. Lo, France on July 13, 1944 during a bitter campaign that followed the Allies' Normandy invasion. Survivors include: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. Walter Woepfel; brother — Russell; sisters — Betty and Marilyn. Interment will be in the Maxwell national cemetery.

IVAN G. BAIN DIES AT GREGORY

Heart Attack Fatal to Former Resident; Rites Friday

Ivan G. Bain, 60, a former O'Neill resident, died suddenly late Tuesday at Gregory, S. D. Ill during late months with a heart ailment. Mr. Bain had been hospitalized recently and had been to Omaha a few days before for medical attention.

Mr. Bain's death is the third in the original Bain family since December. Ed Matthews, of O'Neill, who married the former Alice Bain, died suddenly on December 24, 1947; Frank L. Bain, 89, the head of the original family, died February 18.

Born in Wheeler county April 24, 1888, the late Ivan G. Bain came to Holt county in 1894 with his parents. His father operated one of the early blacksmith shops in the city.

After receiving his education here, Mr. Bain went to Springfield where he worked for several years in the Jones store. Prior to World War I he went to Gregory where he entered the furniture and hardware business. At the time of his death he operated the X-L Furniture Co. with his son, Charles.

The late Mr. Bain served for a time as mayor of Gregory, and was active in city affairs. He was a member of the Masonic lodge.

Survivors include: Widow, the former Lola Wakeman, of Springfield; sons — Charles ("Bud"), of Gregory, and Jack, of Vermillion, S. D.; daughters — Mrs. Fred Van Seggern and Shirley, both of Gregory; sisters — Mrs. Elmer (Ina) Wolfe, Mrs. James (Mary) Kelly, Mrs. Ed (Alice) Matthews, all of O'Neill, and Mrs. M. G. (Maude) Wright, of Winslow, Ariz.

Mr. Bain's mother died in 1904 and a brother, Harry, died December 6, 1928.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. in the Congregational church at Gregory. Rev. Miller, church pastor, will officiate, and burial will be at Gregory.

PROMOTION DAY SET FOR MAY 25

County Superintendent Elja McCullough announced this week that promotion day exercises for Holt county eighth graders is tentatively set for Tuesday, May 25. They will be held in O'Neill.

The second rehearsal of the rural school chorus was held here Friday. Eighty-four voices took part in the practice session. These pupils came from the eastern half of the county. On March 6 a practice of chorus members from the west-half was held in Atkinson.

The chorus will be heard at the promotion program. Miss Mary Dodson, county superintendent of Saline county, conducted the practice, which was held in conjunction with rural teachers' institute. Miss Dodson and Miss Zelma Wonderly, of Red Cloud, were on the institute program. About 110 normal training pupils from O'Neill high school, Atkinson high school and St. Mary's academy were present at the institute in addition to the rural teachers.

'Family Tree' Show Pleasing, Well-Cast

The seniors of O'Neill high school presented their class play, "We Shook the Family Tree," on Tuesday evening. The group, under the direction of Mrs. Charlotte Ressigie, were well cast in the 3-act comedy which was entertaining to a large audience.

Leading parts were taken by Helen Urton and Kieth Anspach. Others in the cast were: James Bridges, Gayl Widfeldt, Mary Head, Duane Miller, Bill Rickly, Nan Rickly, Doris Smith, Joan Calloway, Gordon Elkins and Vivienne Boelter.

Musical numbers in-between acts were selections by the boys' quartet and the mixed octette, and a skit, "The Merry Secretary," Mrs. John C. Watson directed the musical numbers.

2 Are Initiated

PAGE—The initiatory work was put on at the Rebekah lodge Tuesday night when Mrs. Glen Stewart and Mrs. R. V. Crumbly became new members. A covered dish lunch was served.

Country Picnic Held

CHAMBERS—A community picnic was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will David on Sunday.



John R. Gallagher joins the O'Neill professional directory. (See story at the right.)

RITE SET FOR PARATROOPER

Ewing Soldier, Killed in France, to Be Buried Friday

SPECIAL TO THE FRONTIER

EWING — Funeral services with full military honors will be held at 2:30 p. m. Friday, April 30, in the Ewing public school auditorium for Pfc. Walter E. Meyborg, a paratrooper who lost his life in France on November 13, 1944. He was 19 at the time of his death.

Originally the service had been set for Sunday, May 2, but a change was made Tuesday in the burial plans.

Private Meyborg was a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Meyborg, of Ewing. The youth's parents died before he entered the service.

The Sanders post of the American Legion at Ewing will be in charge of the rites. Rev. C. Donald Vogel, United Presbyterian pastor, will officiate. Music will be provided by Mrs. E. H. Velle, Mrs. Vera Anson and Mrs. Wilbur Spangler. Interment will be at Orchard near the graves of the youth's parents.

Survivors include 3 sisters: Mrs. Jerome Ruther, of Page; Mrs. Leona Chamberlain, of Ohio, and Mrs. Irma Ruroede, of Omaha.

Young Meyborg graduated from Ewing high school in May, 1943, and entered military service shortly afterward.

Chamber Directors Serve Scouts, Mothers in Annual Banquet

The first annual mother and daughter banquet of the Girl Scout organization was held Wednesday evening at the American Legion club.

A feature of the affair was the service: the waiters were members of the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce.

Sixty-eight guests were seated at tables carrying out the circus theme. Each Scout patrol presented their own entertainment.

Mrs. A. G. Miller and Miss Barbara Milner, both of Atkinson, who are leaders in Girl Scout work there, were among the out-of-town guests.

PLAN OPEN HOUSE INMAN

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd E. Keyes, of Inman, will observe their 40th wedding anniversary on Sunday, May 9, at their home in Inman. Open house will be held from 2 to 5.

Rites Set for Soldier Who Was Aboard Ill-Fated Vessel

SPECIAL TO THE FRONTIER

CLEARWATER—In the early hours on December 24, 1944, the British vessel—Leopoldville—set out from Southampton, England, for Cherbourg, France. It was during a crucial period of World War II.

The Leopoldville encountered a German "unterzeebooten" in the submarine-infested English channel. The ship was sunk with a heavy loss of military personnel—including 784 enlisted men and 14 officers.

Pfc. LeRoy Elston, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Elston, of Clearwater, was one of those aboard the ill-fated Leopoldville.

Private Elston's body arrived in Clearwater last week and funeral services with full military honors were held Sunday in the high school auditorium. Burial was in the Clearwater cemetery.

Born at Clearwater on September 8, 1924, young Elston graduated from Clearwater

JOHN GALLAGHER BEGINS PRACTICE

Ex-Marine Officer Recently Admitted to Bar

John R. Gallagher, a native of O'Neill and a grandson of one of the city's founders, the late John J. McCafferty, this week opened a law practice here. Mr. Gallagher is a son of Mrs. R. E. Gallagher and the late R. E. Gallagher.

He graduated from the Creighton university law school at mid-year and last month was admitted to practice in state and federal courts.

Mr. Gallagher graduated from St. Mary's academy in 1932. He attended Washington university, St. Louis, Mo., for 1 year and graduated in 1941 from the Creighton university liberal arts college. His law training was interrupted by World War II. He served 4½ years in the Marine corps and received several decorations, including the Legion of Merit, while serving in the Southwest Pacific. He entered the corps as a private and left the service as a major.

He resumed his law studies at Creighton where he has been for the past 2 years. While completing his law work, Mr. Gallagher served as a counsellor at Boys Town.

Mr. Gallagher's wife is the former Mildred Honke, of Butte. They have 2 children: Michael and Kathleen Ann. The family is residing with Mr. Gallagher's mother.

The new attorney has announced that his offices are on the second floor of the First National bank building.

District Odd Fellow, Rebekah Convention Held at Page

PAGE—The Inman and Page lodges were hosts to the district meeting of Odd Fellows at Page on Monday. Two hundred and twenty-five members from Oakdale, Neligh, Clearwater, Orchard, Chambers, O'Neill, Inman and Page attended the meeting.

The American Legion auxiliary of Page served a banquet in the Methodist church parlors before the evening session.

Kelley Manslaughter Charges Dropped

Manslaughter charges against Lawrence M. Kelley, 24, of Long Pine, were suspended last Thursday when Kelley appeared before District Judge D. R. Mounts and pleaded guilty to drunken driving.

Kelley was the driver of the automobile in which Morris McNally, also of Long Pine, was killed near Stuart on November 1.

Kelley was paroled for 2 years. The case was originally scheduled to be heard by a jury in district court here Monday. It was the only action on the Spring term docket requiring a jury.

John Beha, of Omaha, returned last Thursday after a 3-day visit with Mrs. Nellie Beha and family. Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Beha entertained at a family dinner in his honor.

P. C. Donohoe spent Sunday in Norfolk.

Timely Showers Brighten Faces

GOVERNOR TO SPEAK AT LYNCH

Highway 12 Group to Hear Peterson in Banquet Tonight

SPECIAL TO THE FRONTIER

LYNCH—Gov. Val Peterson will be the principal speaker here tonight (Thursday) in a meeting of the State Highway 12 association. The meeting will be preceded by a banquet in the Lynch ballroom.

Scheduled to appear on the program with the governor are: F. H. Kleitsch, of Lincoln, state highway engineer; Col. Louis W. Prentiss, of Omaha, district army engineer for the Missouri river division; Lt. Col. George O. Evans, of Pickens, S. D., army engineer in charge of the Ft. Randall dam; R. C. Ayers, of Norfolk, district engineer, and J. M. Cook, of Ainsworth, district engineer.

John D. Forsyth, of Niobrara, president of the Highway 12 group is in charge of arrangements for the affair. Dr. R. E. Kriz, Lynch physician, will deliver the welcome remarks.

The following program of dinner music will precede the business session: "Beautiful Dreamer" and "Lullaby Moon," vocal trio, Misses Lou Ann Nelson, Lois Stewart and Helen Landholm; "Old Man River" and "Ah, Sweet Mystery of Life," vocal solos by Howard Story; "Meet Me" and "Lovely Night," vocal duets by Betty Lundberg and Jan Gibson.

M'KAMY RITES AT CLEARWATER

Mother of 9 Sons and Daughters Dies at Valentine

Funeral services were held Sunday at Clearwater for Mrs. Effie McKamy, 76, of Valentine, who died Friday at Valentine. Mrs. McKamy was the mother of 9 sons and daughters, including Don McKamy, of O'Neill, and Mrs. George Kelly, of Springdale, Ark., formerly of O'Neill.

The late Mrs. McKamy made her home with the Kellys for a time.

Rev. Sarah Ives, pastor of the Methodist church at Clearwater, officiated. Burial was at Clearwater.

Seventeen members of the Chambers Rebekah lodge attended the services and performed rites at the grave.

Boys', Girls' State Delegates Named

The selections of representatives to the annual sessions of Boys' and Girls' State, sponsored by the American Legion and auxiliary, were announced recently.

Boys' State will be held at the University of Nebraska campus during the week of June 5-12. Dates for Girls' State are June 7-13.

From O'Neill: Stanley D. Price, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Price, and Mary Joan Hynes, daughter of Mrs. Loretta Hynes, were selected by Simonson unit.

Victor Marquardt and Beth Billinger, of Ewing, were chosen by Sanders post.

Mrs. Trowbridge Leads Devotions in WSCS Meet

PAGE—The WSCS of the Methodist church met last Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Elmer Trowbridge led the devotions. Hostesses were Mrs. Frank Beelart and Mrs. Marvin Stauffer, assisted by Mrs. Harry Harper.

Elkhorn Project Club Meets

On April 14 the Elkhorn Project club met at the home of Mrs. D. N. Loy with Mrs. Frank Grenier as hostess. The leaders presented the second lesson on "Our Kitchen." The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Bart Malloy.

Attend WCTU Parley

Returning April 21 from Broken Bow where they attended the mid-year meeting of the WCTU were Mrs. Clay Johnson, sr., Mrs. Guy Young, Mrs. Goldie Stauffer, of Page, and Mrs. Eva Murten, of Inman.

Relief Only Temporary; Subsoil Moisture Not Good as Expected

Timely weekend showers brightened the faces of farmers in the O'Neill region and spurred hopes for a year of good crops.

A shower late Friday and a heavier rain Saturday netted 1.01 inches here, according to Government Observer Elmer Bowen.

Most farmers say the moisture alleviated a critical situation, but brought only temporary relief. However, because subsoil moisture is not nearly as good as expected most farmers agree that more rain will be needed very soon.

The Saturday afternoon downpour in O'Neill was the heaviest of the year. Thirty-five-hundredths of an inch fell at Inman Friday evening, and Saturday's shower netted more than an inch there.

North Holt county reported heavier rain on Friday than was received in O'Neill.

No serious damage was reported. Lightning struck a tree Saturday afternoon at the Country club.

The crop outlook had deteriorated rapidly during the 10 days preceding the showers. The situation was aggravated by considerable high wind.

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

	Hi	Lo	Moist.
April 22	70	54	
April 23	75	68	
April 24	79	52	.34
April 25	74	49	.67
April 26	64	43	
April 27	62	40	
April 28	70	41	

All-Day Work Bee Gives Chambers Church 'New Look'

CHAMBERS — A group of men, armed with spades, rakes, shovels, scrapers, trucks and tractors, turned out for an all-day work session Friday at the Baptist church.

The church grounds were filled in, leveled, and the street was graveled. Fifteen feet of trees and lawn were cut from the south side of the parsonage grounds to widen the street. The area will also serve as parking space. The gravel was hauled 14 miles.

Women of the church provided a lunch for the workers and their families.

To complete the busy day for the parishioners, a surprise miscellaneous shower was given Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Cooke who are newlyweds.

2 Wedding, 2 Birth Anniversaries Marked

CHAMBERS—A reunion of the Walter family was held on Saturday and Sunday honoring 2 wedding and 2 birthday anniversaries.

Those present Saturday at the C. V. Robertson home were: Mr. and Mrs. Chris Haussler and Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Haussler and family, of Holbrook; Mrs. Henderson Sharpe and children, Mrs. Gordon Gering and baby, Mrs. Leo Schivelbein, and boys, all of Arapahoe; Rev. and Mrs. William Sprandle, of Plattsmouth; Mr. and Mrs. Gus Sprandle and boys, of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. William Pfeil and children, of Wayne; Eileen Hickey, of O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Robertson and Jerry, Delbert Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Al Dierking, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Walter, John Walter, sr., Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Walter and family and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Smith and children. Dinner was served cafeteria style. Mr. and Mrs. Haussler, sr., and Rev. and Mrs. Sprandle were observing their wedding anniversaries, Mrs. Dierking and Mrs. Robertson their birthday anniversaries.

The same group with the addition of Raymond Walter and Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Dierking took part in a cafeteria dinner in the H. C. Walter home on Sunday.

Iowans Arrive

Arriving Monday for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Kruse were Mrs. Kruse's mother, Mrs. Anna Dahl, and her sister, Miss Pearl Dahl, of Swea City, Ia., and her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Keith, jr., and daughter, Barbara, of Minneapolis, Minn.

Omahans Visit Here

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Gelster and sons, Melvin and Clarence, of Omaha, were visitors in the C. E. Worth home on Saturday.