

Out of Old Nebraska . . .
Holdrege's Career
Parellels Railroad's
Began As Clerk in
Pay Office

George W. Holdrege served the Burlington railroad for 51 years, from 1869 to 1920. He went to work for the road, just out of college, as chief clerk in the paymaster's office at Plattsmouth. At that time the road had not yet laid any track in Nebraska. Ten years later Holdrege was general superintendent and he became general manager of the lines west of the Missouri in 1885. To a larger degree the story of railroad building in the state is connected with his career. Before his death in 1926 Holdrege was honored by his company for his part in building 4,900 miles of railroad in the West. He has been called the West's greatest railroad builder with good reason.

The first major achievement of Holdrege—and perhaps his greatest—was extending the Burlington lines to Denver, Colo. In 1879 the main track in Nebraska ran to a connection with the Union Pacific at Kearney. A southern line had been built from Hastings to the Republican valley but its progress westward stopped at Napoleon just east of the Harlan county line, as the Harlan county people were reluctant to accept a bond issue to support the railroad. Holdrege convinced the officials of the Burlington that the only way they would keep the competing Union Pacific out of the area was by laying a great deal of track, and the road was extended through Har-

lan county to Indianola in 1880. A severe drought in southwest Nebraska in 1880 was used by Holdrege as a reason for the road to build further. He argued that the road should build and provide employment for the settlers who would be forced to leave the country otherwise. Finally in a drive to complete the road to Denver and to establish connections with other roads at that point his construction crews built 247 miles of track in 229 working days completing the line in May, 1882.

The year after the road to Denver was completed Holdrege contended for and got approval for the major improvement to that route which has been built. This was the "Kenesaw cut off," a road to be built west from Kenesaw to connect with the Republican river road at Oxford and cut 28 miles off the route to Denver. As this road was built, the new division point that was established, and that became the starting point for the new High-line a few years later, was named in honor of the superintendent who had advocated the road.

His achievements as a railroad builder make the final sentence of a resolution of the directors of the Burlington that hailed him as "first citizen of Nebraska" none too extravagant.

E. L. Norwoods Are
Wedded 40 Years

RIVERSIDE—Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Norwood celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary Thursday. They were supper guests that evening at the Dave Pollock home.

Tree-Naming for Roll Call—
 National Junior Audubons club of school district 157, met at the classroom Monday, November 4. Meeting was called to order by the president, Emily Dusatko. Roll call was answered by eight members naming a tree.

A barometer has been made for the homestead weather station. Roll call will be answered next time by telling what is made from a chosen tree.



This was a high point in Friday night's O'Neill high school junior class play, "House for Sale—Haunted". Left to right: Veldon Tomlinson (holding shotgun), Darrel Dexter (swimming trunks); Ronnie Smith, Connie Kurtz (black dress), Elaine Krugman (white apron), Perry Dawes (black face), Nancy Fetrow (head turned) and George Fuller.—The Frontier Photo.

Californians Feted
At Dinner—

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Zakrzewski were host to family dinner Thursday evening honoring their granddaughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Don Quig of Belleflower, Calif. Other guests were: Mr. and Mrs. William Podany of Butte, parents of Mrs. Quig; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Heck and family of Sioux City; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Zakrzewski and family and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Zakrzewski and family. All 13 grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Zakrzewski were present. Mr. and Mrs. Quig planned to return to their home in California Tuesday.

Attends Funeral—

Mr. and Mrs. Grover C. Shaw and Miss Mary E. Carney attended the funeral of their cousin, Mrs. Arthur Roggach, at Sacred Heart church at Long Pine Thursday, November 14. The Misses DeAnn and Mary Beth Dunne and Jacqueline and Carole Johnson, students at St. Mary's academy and nieces of the deceased, also attended the funeral services.

'Capsule Friends'

LYNCH—Highland Extension club met with Mrs. Tommy Mueller Thursday afternoon. Eleven members were present. The lesson on "soups" proved very interesting as well as instructive. The Christmas party was planned for Tuesday, December 3, at Frank Mulhairs. A 12 o'clock dinner will be followed by a social afternoon. A gift exchange will reveal "capsule friends."

All Turns Out Well
At Spooky Hollow

In spite of adverse weather conditions a large crowd Friday night witnessed the presentation of the O'Neill high school junior class play, entitled "House for Sale—Haunted". The setting was inside a haunted house on a dark and stormy night. Miss Oletha Lenhart (Connie Kurtz) was determined to visit a haunted dwelling for background material for her forthcoming book concerning ghosts. Numerous ghosts are encountered (created by other members of the cast). The faking was intended to frighten Tug Ralston (Ronnie Smith), a young know-it-all from the city. Butch Killigrew (Veldon Tomlinson), an ex-convict, lives up to the scene when he returns to the ill-fated house to recover money which he had stashed there. Edwina Page (Sharon Marcellus) and Gracie Greenwood (Betty Godman) take a shine to Tug—that is, until they learn about his past. Whereupon, they are ready to return to their old boy friends. Oletha, who maintains interest in the supernatural, also acquires more than a passing interest in Lem Looney (Merle Pease), the hick sheriff. In the end, everything turns out all right at Spooky Hollow farm.

Helping Hand
Reelects Officers

AMELIA—Helping Hand club met Thursday, November 14, at the home of Mrs. Ralph Rees. After a dinner, the meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Mae Sageser. "The Lord's Prayer" was repeated and Mrs. Vern Sageser read a poem. Election of officers was held and the old officers were reelected. They are: Mrs. Mae Sageser, president; Mrs. Florence Rees, vice-president; Mrs. Emma Waldo, secretary; Mrs. Hazel Ott, treasurer.

John Shipman
Is 71-Years-Old

AMELIA—Several neighbors gathered at the John Shipman home Monday evening, November 11, to help Mr. Shipman celebrate his 71st birthday anniversary. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Glen White, Myrtle and Venita; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Burge and family; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fisher; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Burgett and Wayne; Mr. and Mrs. Darrel Carr; and Mrs. Bud Clemens and Don.

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in their behalf during their illness. Thanksgiving day service will be held next Thursday, 10 a.m. The Lutheran hospital at Norfolk sends its thanks for the canned goods.

The constitution committee will meet Sunday, December 1 at 8 p.m. The Ladies Aid elected Mrs. L. O. Lenz at president and Mrs. Richard Sunderman as treasurer. Remaining in office are Mrs. Duane Grossnicklaus as vice-president and Mrs. John Buhlman as secretary.

METHODIST (Chambers-Amelia)
 Rev. Harold D. Bonath, pastor
CHAMBERS—
 Thursday (today), November 21: Women's Society of Christian Service meeting, hostesses Anna Albers, Carol Miller, 3 p.m.
 Sunday, November 24: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday-school 10:30 a.m.; morning message "The Thin Thread of Thanks"; senior MYF party-lunch, 7 p.m.
 Friday, November 22: All parents interested in boy scouting meet at church, 8 p.m.
 Monday, November 25: Young adults, 7:30 p.m.
AMELIA—
 Thursday (today), November 21: Choir and MYF, 7:30 p.m.
 Sunday, November 24: Worship, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday-school 10:30 a.m.; morning message "The Thin Thread of Thanks".
 Tuesday, November 26: Official board, 8 p.m.
 Wednesday, November 27: Parish prayer time—Read Matthew 5.

DELOIT NEWS
 The Glenn Harpsters were O'Neill shoppers on Wednesday, November 13.
 Jerome Sibi, jr., three-year-old of the Sibus of Omaha, passed away last week. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m., on Thursday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Kaczor and Mrs. Anna Sibi of Elgin attended the funeral. The mother is formerly Dorothy Walters of this community. Elayne Reimer was home from Planview over the weekend.

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