

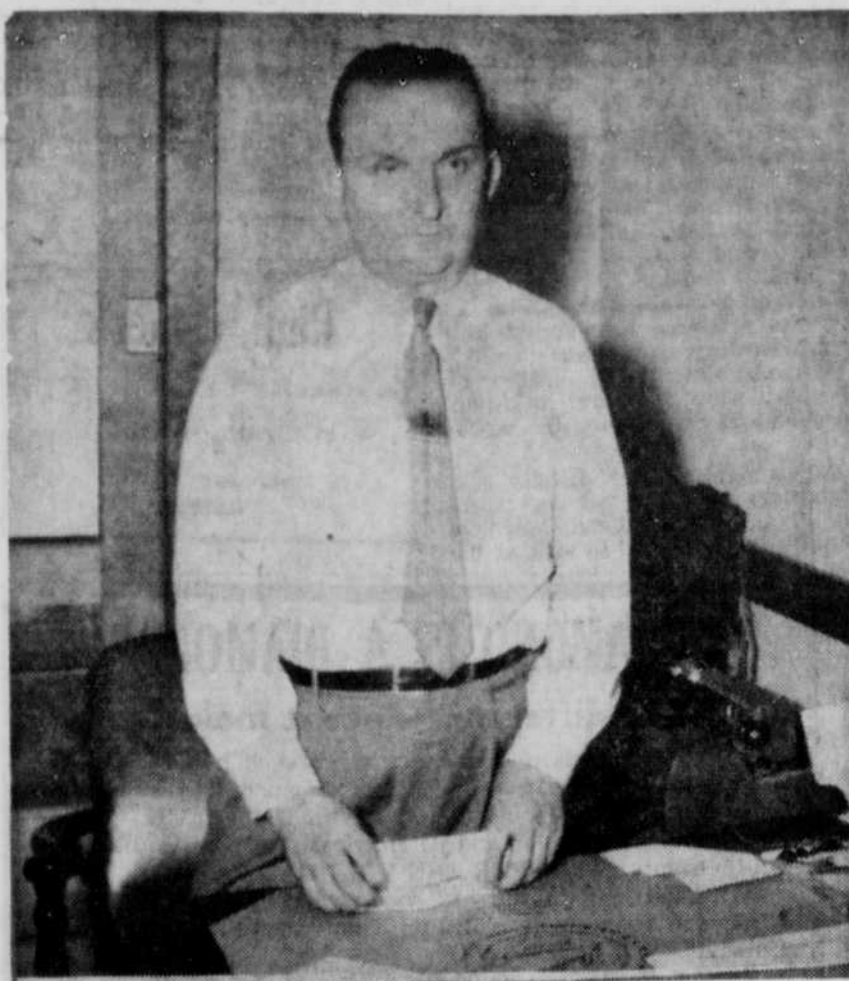
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Brion . . . member of longtime banking family.—The Frontier Photo. (Story below.)

Highest Peacetime Award to Slattery

Brion Purchases Huffman Interest New Executive Officer for Ewing Bank

EWING — Richard S. Brion, member of a longtime banking family at Ewing, has purchased a substantial portion of M. B. Huffman's interest in the Farmers State Bank here, it was announced last Thursday.

Brion's father, the late S. W. ("Pete") Brion, was one of the founders of the bank and headed the institution until his death December 25, 1957. Huffman later became president. During the past three years Huffman has also been president of the Commercial Bank of Bassett where he has been residing.

The Richard Brion family will be moving to Ewing as soon as housing arrangements can be completed. Mrs. Brion is the former LaVerne Walter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Walter of Chambers. They have two sons, Ronald, 15, and Kenneth, 12.

Mr. Brion was born at Ewing, attended school there and worked in the Ewing bank while completing his high school education. He later was graduated from the University of Nebraska where he majored in accounting and banking. From 1937 until 1945 he was employed by one of the large banking institutions in San Francisco, Calif.—the American Trust Company.

From 1945 until recently he operated a furniture store at Neligh which he had purchased from C. J. Bauman. Recently he closed out the store and leased the building to the Hub Clothing.

"No personnel changes at the bank are contemplated at present," Mr. Brion said. "We will carry out the same traditional policies and cater to livestock growers, farm and ranch borrowers."

Richard Edwards is cashier and Dorothy Sojke is assistant cashier. Mr. Huffman, whose wife, Mary, is Brion's sister, will continue as a director. Other directors will remain unchanged.

Paul Albert Roth Succumbs at 65

CHAMBERS—Paul Albert Roth, 65, a retired Chambers grocer, died early Tuesday, October 28, at St. Anthony's hospital. He had been ill five days.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m., Friday, October 31, at St. Paul's Lutheran church in Chambers with Rev. William Roten officiating. Burial will be in the Chambers cemetery under the direction of Biglin's.

The late Mr. Roth was born September 1, 1893, at Columbus. His parents, William and Marie Franke Roth, were German immigrants.

He was reared at Columbus and attended school there and attended business college at Fremont.

When he was 18-years-old, Mr. Roth began working for his uncle, Bob Franke, on the Lakeview ranch. It was during that time—in 1908—he lost his left hand in an accident.

Mr. Roth was married to Gwendolyn Genevieve Stewart at Litchfield July 29, 1929. They became the parents of two daughters. They lived in various parts of Colorado for a number of years, including 13 years at Denver. The Roths came to Chambers from Denver in 1943.

The deceased was a member of St. Paul's church and was a past member of the Odd Fellows lodge.

Survivors include: Widow—Gwendolyn; daughters—Mrs. Elwyn (Ardith) Robertson of Chambers and Mrs. Jack (Mary Jo) Beierle of Columbus; sister—Mrs. Albert Gigax of Columbus; brothers—Albert Roth of Bartlesville, Okla., and William of Worressville.

Visit Anson Home—Debbie Anson of Atkinson spent from last Thursday until Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leland Anson and family.

The soldier's medal, the army's highest award not involving actual combat, has been awarded to CWO Earl R. Slattery of the 584th engineer company at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. The presentation to Slattery, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Miller of the Star community, was made by Gen. Thomas A. Lane at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.

Slattery is the husband of the former Berna Dean Miller.

On October 24, 1957, while attempting to remove a dozer from a trailer which had fallen into an abandoned foxhole, the dozer slid sideways off the trailer and partially rolled over, pinning the operator beneath the machine. The soft rainsoaked earth made highly probable that the dozer would sink further and crush the operator in a matter of minutes.

With complete disregard for his own safety, Warrant Officer Slattery immediately crawled under the overturned tractor and proceeded to free the pinned operator. To accomplish this, his position was such that any further movement of the tractor would have crushed him.

The accompanying citation said: "As a result of Warrant Officer Slattery's unhesitating action, the operator was released unhurt."

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City's Fight Great Loses Last Battle

'Montana Jack' KO'd by Death in Butte; Top Middleweight

"Montana Jack" Sullivan, 81, who was reared at O'Neill and after the turn of the century became one of the ranking middleweight fighters of the world, died Sunday, October 26, in a hospital at Butte, Mont. He had suffered a stroke St. Patrick's day, 1957, and never fully recovered.

He was born at Red Jacket, Mich.

As a small boy he came to Holt county with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Sullivan.

The family settled on a homestead one-half mile north of the present northeast city limits of O'Neill. The 160-acre farm is still in the hands of the family.

Mr. Sullivan was educated at O'Neill. As a teenage boy he was attracted to Montana by an uncle who lived at Butte, and by an older brother, Phillip. Ultimately the other children went to Butte. Phillip died in the fall of 1949.

Phillip had been cashier of Anacosta Copper company, having spent a half-century with the firm.

Named in California "Montana Jack", a name he acquired as a youthful fighter from a San Francisco, Calif., sports-writer, was attracted to the ring via the YMCA at Butte.

At the height of his career he fought a 20-round draw with Stanley Ketchell, who is often acknowledged as the greatest middleweight fighter of all time. Ketchell continued on to the West coast and Sullivan pursued him up-and-down the coast in quest of a rematch which never came.

Sullivan decided Fireman Jim Flynn, a 185-pounder, after Flynn had lost to Jack Johnson, the "black hope" of the era. Fireman Jim was the only boxer who ever kayaked Jack Dempsey. That was when Dempsey was a young fighter.

"Montana Jack's" boxing weight was 156 pounds. Ketchell had defeated Joe Thomas, who was advancing claims to the middleweight title after Tommy Ryan resigned in 1907. "Montana Jack" was signed with Thomas and defeated him. He also fought Ed McGroorty and Bob Fitzsimmons.

In 1907 "Montana Jack" fought one of his most outstanding battles. He went 45 rounds against Nat Dewey, who weighed in at over 200. The 5 1/2-hour match was staged at Crawford. The fight was stopped with no decision. It was common talk that O'Neillites had put up more than 10-thousand-dollars in bets on their favorite son. Dewey was a Negro heavy-weight.

In his early boxing career "Montana Jack" fought under a number of names because members of his family opposed such a career. O'Neillites overnight learned that a favorite son was in the big-time.

Own Manager "Montana Jack" always acted as his own manager, and some of his best friends here always considered that was a mistake. They reasoned that if he had a manager and a publicist he could have gone the route and forced Ketchell into a showdown.

Jack's brother, Dan, was a member of the United States Olympic team in 1906 and Jack accompanied his brother to Athens, Greece. Dan was the first Nebraskan to be a member of a U.S. Olympic team.

"Montana Jack" escorted Dan and paid the expenses. The U.S. amateurs on those days had to put up their own money. Jack sparred with members of the U.S. boxing team.

Jack's youngest brother, Eugene, became a lightweight boxer and performed in rings around the world. Jack's ring finale was fought in Omaha where he won a decision. It was the only Omaha fight in his career.

He came to O'Neill and operated a tavern two years. He was city electrician at Butte many years and annually visited his hometown of O'Neill.

He was an impeccable dresser and never used tobacco, liquor or profane language.

Survivors include: Brothers—Jerry T., Daniel and Eugene, all of Butte; sister—Miss Mary, also of Butte.

Funeral services were held at Butte.

O'Neillite Is Deputy VFW Chief-of-Staff

Leo F. Carney of O'Neill has been appointed national deputy chief of staff of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. The announcement was made by John W. Mahan of Helena, Mont., commander-in-chief of the VFW.

In making the announcement, Commander Mahan said: "I can think of no one I would rather have on my staff than Mr. Carney. Through the years he has been one of our most tireless workers and I am proud that he has agreed to act as my personal representative in the formation of new VFW posts throughout Nebraska."

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View of Van Horn sale in progress: In the ring are R. E. (left) and H. A. VanHorn; herdsman is Milan Welke of Ewing. In auction box are Lyle Roberts of the American Hereford association; Charles Corlke of Norfolk, auctioneer, and Edward M. Gallagher of the First National Bank of O'Neill, clerk.—The Frontier Photo.



Sullivan . . . long count.

Jury Will Hear Two Legal Actions To Convene Nov. 11; Docket Slim

Summons have been forwarded to 40 prospective jurors for the fall term of Holt county district court.

The jury will be impaneled at 10 a.m., Monday, November 11, even though the date is a legal holiday.

The docket is slim because several suits that had been pending have been settled out of court, according to Howard Manson, clerk of the court.

Docket for the jury includes: 1. Charley W. Peterson of Atkinson vs. Dr. J. L. George, chief of the Nebraska bureau of animal husbandry, and Lee A. Wilcox of the Employers Mutual Casualty company. Peterson charges that George ordered quarantined a herd of black cows, owned by Peterson, at the Atkinson Livestock Market in January, 1957.

The quarantine lasted over 60 days. Peterson alleges he was fully authorized to bring in the cattle from near Pierre, S. D., and seeks to recover damages.

Francis D. Lee of Atkinson represents Peterson; County Attorney William W. Griffin will defend the state veterinarian.

Claims against the estate of Lettie Thompson, deceased, filed by Mrs. Thompson's daughter, Mrs. Peter Cooper of Orchard, and her husband, are being contested. The action was filed in February. Elmer Rakow of Neligh represents the plaintiffs; Julius D. Cronin of O'Neill is attorney for the estate.

Settled out of court was the Floyd Frahm vs. Duane C. Miller action. Still on file but not scheduled for jury trial is the Wayne Galvyn vs. Howard and Delayne Oberle suit in which personal property damage is alleged by Galvyn, the plaintiff.

Also on file is a suit to establish paternity. Pauline Goldfuss vs. Charles Waterman. Elven Butterfield of Neligh is attorney for Goldfuss; Elmer Rakow of Neligh, for Waterman. This is a civil action appealed from the county court.

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Catherine Malloy Succumbs at Home Spent Many Years in Holt County

ATKINSON—Mrs. Catherine Malloy, 83, who lived for the past 48 years between Atkinson and Emmet, died at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, October 26, at her farm home.

Funeral services were conducted at 10 a.m., Tuesday, October 28, at the Church of the Epiphany with Rev. Francis Price officiating. Burial was in St. Joseph's cemetery in Atkinson.

Pallbearers were Joe Judge, Timothy O'Connell, Patrick Corrigan, Walter Welsh, Leo Monahan and William Schorn.

Mrs. Malloy broke her hip November 26, 1956. The hip was fractured while getting out of bed. She was not aware of the seriousness of the accident until several days later and was hospitalized at O'Neill many weeks.

She was born January 11, 1875, at Helena, Mont., the daughter of James O'Brien and Catherine Malloy. She was married to Thomas Malloy February 14, 1899 at St. Patrick's Catholic church in Butte, Mont. They became the parents of seven children. March of 1910, they settled on the farm where she died. Mr. Malloy died February 2, 1936. A daughter, Mary, age 2, also preceded Mrs. Malloy in death.

The farm where the late Mrs. Malloy spent most of her life is located three miles east of Atkinson. Her husband's father, James Malloy, had homesteaded on the place.

A rosary was recited at the farm home at 8 p.m. Monday, October 27. Another was said at 8 p.m. at the Seeger funeral chapel Sunday.

Survivors include: Sons—Thomas and Charles of Atkinson; daughters—Mrs. Floyd (Helena) Osborne of Atkinson; Mrs. Thomas (Rose) Welsh of Emmet; Mrs. George (Catherine) Zeimans of Neligh, and Miss Frances Malloy of Los Angeles, Calif.; sister—Mrs. Margaret O'Neill of Port Angeles, Wash.; 17 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Miss Frances Malloy came to attend her mother's funeral.

Holt Countyans to Polls Tuesday

Holt countyans will trek to the polls Tuesday, November 4, in an off-year election void of intensive interest hereabouts.

They'll help Nebraskans choose between Roman L. Hrusk, republican incumbent, and Frank B. Morrison, democratic challenger, for the United States senate.

For governor Nebraskans will choose between Victor E. Anderson, republican incumbent, and Ralph G. Brooks, democrat. In the lieutenant-governor race it will be Dwight W. Burney, republican incumbent, challenged by Frank Sorrell, democrat.

Vote for secretary of state (Continued on page 4.)

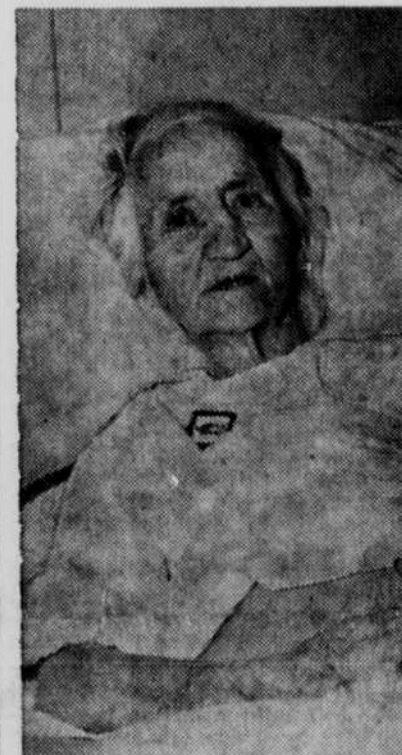
O'Neill Story Suited for Marie Sandoz

An O'Neillite last week encountered a woman in an Omaha book stall.

In the course of conversation the Holt county gal passed the word she was from O'Neill.

"O'Neill," responded the woman. "What a wonderful book could be written about O'Neill, its founder, its colorful citizens!"

Replied the O'Neillite: "Yes, I agree, and I know one person who should write it. The woman she was addressing was Marie Sandoz, author of 'Old Jules', a story of her father who lived for a time at Verdigris.



Mrs. Malloy . . . born in Montana (story at left.)

Joseph P. Rotherham Expires in Illinois

Funeral services for Joseph Patrick Rotherham, 61, of Burlington, Ia., will be held at 9 a.m., Friday, October 31, at St. Patrick's Catholic church, O'Neill.

He had suffered a heart attack in 1951 and, although he worked until his fatal illness, he was not in robust health. He was the first of seven children to succumb.

Mr. Rotherham died Monday, October 27, at Burlington, where he lived for about 12 years. He was employed as an electrician for the Burlington railroad.

The late Mr. Rotherham was born October 27, 1897, at Cripple Creek, Colo., a son of John Rotherham and Bessie Gaffney Rotherham.

Because of the high altitude the parents were obliged to move from Cripple Creek in behalf of the infant's health.

He married Gladys Kennedy of Amelia in 1920 at Amelia. They became the parents of three children. Mr. Rotherham spent most of his life on ranches in the Atkinson, Amelia and Emmet localities.

Survivors include: Sons—Joseph of Sterling, Ill., and John of Springfield, Ill.; daughter—Mrs. Agnes Brogan of Youngstown, O.; brothers—James of O'Neill; John of Omaha, and Thomas of Springfield, Ill.; sisters—Mrs. Matthew (Helena) Hynes of O'Neill; Mrs. Michael (Jane) Langan of Columbus; and Mrs. Margaret Rinehart of Omaha.

Rosary will be recited at 8:30 o'clock tonight (Thursday) at Biglin's funeral chapel. Burial will be in Calvary cemetery.



Rotherham . . . first of brothers and sisters to die.

Van Horns' Top 10 Average \$1,319

PAGE — Fifty-eight registered Hereford bulls from the H. A. and R. E. Van Horn herd were sold at auction in the fourth annual production sale Tuesday at the ranch, located southeast of here.

The offering averaged \$703. Top-selling bull was VH Zato Aster 25th, a coming two-year-old purchased by the Kirsch Hereford ranch of Baske, S.D., for \$2,300.

Second highest-selling bull, also a coming two-year-old, was purchased by Bruce Reymann of Wood Lake.

Third top-selling bull went to Ed Jungman of Amelia for \$1,475, and the fourth highest went to H. P. Stoltenberg & Sons of Burton for \$1,400.

The top 10 in the offering averaged \$1,319 per head. More than four hundred persons attended the sale, which is held each year in a large tent equipped with portable bleachers and portable lighting.

The Van Horns said the sale was "very satisfactory". In the crowd was J. F. Ferrell of Oklahoma, who was breeder of the Zato Heir herd sires which the Van Horns used to develop the dominant blood line.

Former Chambers Man Dies at 87

CHAMBERS—James Lee Greenstreet, 87, a former resident of the Chambers locality, died Sunday, October 19, at a Mt. Vernon, Wash., rest home. He had suffered a long illness.

Funeral services were conducted at the Lemly mortuary at Sedro Woolley, Wash., Monday, October 20.

Robert Yale was vocal soloist at the rites. He sang "Jesus, Lover of My Soul", accompanied by Mrs. Yale at the organ who also played "No Night There."

Active pallbearers were Donald Remington, Lewis Klingler, George Dickinson, Emmett Medcalf, Stanley Kutscher and Lloyd Nies.

Honorary pallbearers were John Dickenson, Les Hough, Charles Remington, Clarence Palmer, Frank Huston and Charles Howland. Burial was at Sedro Woolley.

The late Mr. Greenstreet was born at Lebanon, Mo., July 13, 1871, the son of Doctor and Mrs. Greenstreet.

He was united in marriage to Jennie Davis at Lebanon, Mo., 3, 1896. Twin sons and one daughter were born to the couple.

In the fall of 1901 he brought his family to Nebraska in a covered wagon. They settled on a homestead 12 miles southwest of Chambers.

In 1936 the family moved to Sedro Woolley where he resided until entering the rest home.

The late Mr. Greenstreet was a member of the Methodist church at Chambers.

Survivors include: Widow—Jennie; sons—Otto of Mt. Vernon and Oscar of Sedro Woolley; six grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren.

Highest Prices Ever for Wheeler Land

BARTLETT—The 870-acre John Niewohner ranch near Four Corners sold at auction Tuesday at the Wheeler county courthouse and brought all-time high prices for hay and pasture land, observers said here.

Mrs. Marie Niewohner of O'Neill, widow of the late Mr. Niewohner, purchased the 230-acre improved portion of the ranch (including number one hayland) for \$225 per acre. John Bahman of Bartlett bought 640 acres of pastureland for \$34.50 per acre.

Sale was conducted by Arthur O. Auserod of Bartlett, referee for the Niewohner estate, and William W. Griffin of O'Neill, attorney. The referee sale purchases are subject to confirmation by the court.

The Frontier at O'Neill handled the advertising arrangements.

Oil Drilling Crew Gives Up at Royal

ROYAL—Drilling for oil on the Reinke farm, 5 1/2 miles northwest of Royal, came to a halt Monday after the Falls City drilling crew had penetrated Mother Earth to a depth of 1,500 ft.

A foreman of the crew said the drill struck in the rocks formations and the apparatus lost circulation. The foreman said it was the second time in his career he had encountered such a situation.

The Falls City crew Tuesday packed up and prepared to leave the scene.

About six years ago there was a dry for oil northeast of Page, also unsuccessful.

Ex-Stuart School Chief Says 'Guilty'

Keith Doss Charged with Embezzlement of \$570 at School

Keith A. Doss, 33, superintendent of the Stuart public school during the September, 1957, to June, 1958, school year, has admitted charges of embezzling \$570 from the school activities fund and noon lunch fund.

Two weeks ago charges were filed against Doss. He walked into the office of Holt County Sheriff Leo Tomjack Friday and volunteered to be confined "for a rest".

Holt authorities earlier had asked the Adams county sheriff at Hastings to take Doss in custody, but the request was not executed.

Doss admitted guilt on the embezzlement charges Monday in preliminary hearing in county court, and was bound over to district court. He posted a seven hundred dollar appearance bond and will appear in district court for sentencing on a date to be fixed in November by District Judge D. R. Mounts.

Doss had served as high school principal at Shelton and was succeeded by the Stuart board of education to head the western-Holt school when, on the eve of the start of the 1957-'58 term, Supt. E. Warren Peterson resigned. Peterson had asked to be released in order to fill a zero hour vacancy that had developed at Neligh.

When full accountings were not being made by Doss of the activities (basketball, football, plays, etc.) receipts and the lunch money, members of the board of education began an investigation. The board adopted resolutions censuring Doss for his administrative practices and sent copies to the state department of public instruction.

County Attorney William W. Griffin filed the criminal charges earlier in October.

One board of education member estimated it is possible for the Stuart superintendent to handle in excess of 10-thousand-dollar in cash in a single school year. When Doss became superintendent the activity fund had a balance of nine hundred dollars.

When not reelected, Doss left Stuart to be hospitalized for a time at Norfolk. He then went to Hastings. He is married and has two children.

Transient Woman Collapses on Street

A Los Angeles, Calif., woman, Mrs. Dino Jones, 35, collapsed near the corner of 5th and D streets at Tuesday evening and was taken to St. Anthony's hospital.

Police said she apparently suffered from malnutrition although the woman complained she had eaten a sandwich and became ill. Doctors ordered her kept in the hospital.

Mrs. Jones is enroute from Florida to California but said she needed work. Her husband, Tommy, is in the U.S. Army, a prisoner of war in an armed robbery sentence