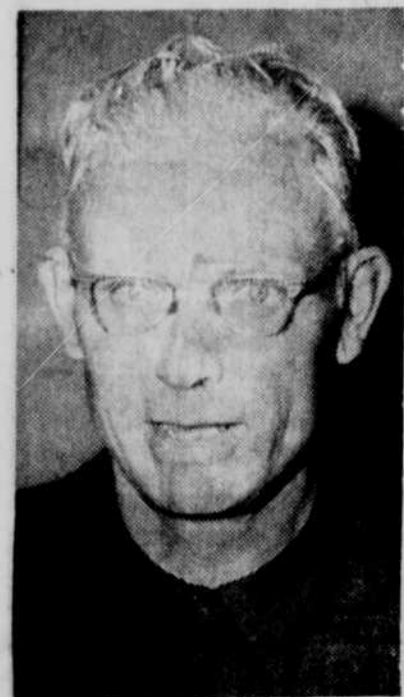




Admiring Mrs. Lynx . . . left-to-right: Gail Bois, Leo Vandersack, Julian Sojka and Carl Hubel.—The Frontier Photo.

### At S-h-o-o-r-t Range—

## Boies Bags Big Lynx



Boies . . . marksman.

By a Staff Writer  
EWING James ("Jim") Boies 50, a man who by his nature lives close to nature, got uncomfortably close last Thursday eve while checking his traps along Willow Swamp creek northwest of town on land operated by H. A. and R. E. VanHorn.

He was alone and it was a routine check. He had been doing this for years in his quest for fur-bearers.

It was routine, that is until in the heavy brush he encountered a pair of slanting eyes belonging to a large female Canadian lynx.

Darkness was closing in. Mrs. Lynx and Mr. Boies exchanged glances at s-h-o-o-r-t-t-t-t range.

Boies had heard a rustle nearby and thought it was a rabbit, maybe a bird. He had only a trap in his hand. He had left his .22-gauge rifle in his car parked some distance away. About 10 yards separated Boies from the big cat whose back was arched and bristling and who began to spit and fuss, generating a good mad.

Boies began to withdraw from the scene. The big cat, leaving four-inch footprints in the snow, walked slowly toward the Ewing man.

The big slant-eyed girl made slow, steady advances at Boies, who by this time was kicking himself for not bringing along the weapon.

After a safe distance separated the man and the beast, Boies fled for the sanctuary of his car.

Mrs. Lynx was curious about the guy with his boots on hot-footing it across the snow-covered field. Cold as a cucumber, she decided to stick around.

With rifle in hand and plenty of ammunition, Boies began to retrace his steps.

Wouldn't due to return to town with a yarn without the evidence, he said to himself.

By this time the cat decided to take off. Boies in pursuit. If he had a shotgun the outcome would have been more certain. With only a .22 the hunt was strictly a one-shot proposition.

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## Leahy Plans December Visit Here

### Former Notre Dame Grid Mentor Back to Scene of Birth

A native of O'Neill who built an unequalled victory record in football coaching at Notre Dame university will be honored at a homecoming here next month.

Frank Leahy's visit is planned sometime in December.

The Frontier and radio station KBRX are making arrangements to sponsor a dinner jointly. Leahy, who is in the process of moving from Michigan City, Ind., to Denver, Colo., will be accompanied here by Ralton Jarvis of Boulder, Colo., formerly of Atkinson.

Gene Leahy of Rushville, Frank's brother, also is being invited.

Leahy quit coaching at Notre Dame three years ago and has been in the insurance and investment field.

He was born near the corner of Third and Clay sts., in a dwelling now owned by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Kaiser (one block west of the postoffice). When a boy he moved with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leahy, sr., to Winner, S. D., where he was reared.

He was head football coach at Boston (Mass.) college before moving to Notre Dame.

Details concerning Leahy's proposed visit will be announced later. A public banquet is to be included in the plans. The Frontier, phone 51, and KBRX, phone 120, will receive reservations.

Leahy said he would be "delighted" to abide by any plans worked out by The Frontier and KBRX and he said he would "deeply appreciate" the homecoming idea.

He will be at Michigan City, through Thanksgiving, visit New York City and Boston before reaching Denver early in December.

He had hoped he could make the O'Neill date on December 8, but Tuesday indicated it would have to come later in the month. Leahy said he would plan to spend several days in O'Neill "if at all possible—and I think it will be possible".

He has been working with Bill Stern on broadcast descriptions of major football games this season on the Mutual network. On December 26 he will do the color story of the North-South game from Miami for Mutual.

His two sisters and four brothers are deceased. Mr. Babcock suffered a stroke six years ago and he is partially paralyzed.

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The Imel-Babcock nuptials took place in Clearwater at the home of the bride's parents at 9 p.m., November 24, 1904.

They farmed for a time and Mr. Babcock decided to take up tonorial artistry. He barbered at Fairmont and Lincoln. One of his customers during the days he was barbering on North 14th st. in Lincoln was Gov. Charles Bryan, who wore a wig.

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The Babcocks became the parents of two daughters—Narka and Mary Magdalene. Narka was graduated at Fairmont high school and Mary at Lincoln high.

Narka's husband is Earl McMunn, 2255 Sumner st., Lincoln. Mary is married to William Aikman, who is president of the American Bus Lines which is currently gripped by a strike. The Aikmans also live in Lincoln. American is a subsidiary of Transcontinental Trailways, second in size only to Greyhound.

The Babcocks were two granddaughters—Susan Fern Aikman and Mary Louise McMunn.

When they visit Clearwater attention is lavished on Grandpa Babcock. The granddaughters are 12- and nine-years-old.

Until recently Mrs. Babcock, 73, was very active in Methodist church work at Clearwater where they are members.



Making ready for Thanksgiving in a realistic way are Gailen Young, Patricia Dufek and David Olmstead. The youngsters are getting set to swing the hatchets at the Tri-State turkey farm near here.—The Frontier Photo.



The Dobrovolsky's and their families . . . left-to-right: Mrs. George (Mary) Schiffern of Atkinson, Lawrence of O'Neill, Mr. Dobrovolsky, Jay of Atkinson, Mrs. Dobrovolsky, Mrs. Harlan (Dorothy) Kubart of Atkinson, Jesse and Henry, both of Atkinson.—The Frontier Photo.

## He Trimmed 'Neath Bryan's Wig

By a Staff Writer  
CLEARWATER — A man, who has been bedfast more than six years, and his wife, who has been caring for him alone, Monday, November 24, quietly celebrated their 54th wedding anniversary.

Clay E. Babcock, 80, one-time farmer, barber and insurance agent, and his wife, Louisa, welcomed several friends during the celebration. He was 54 years old when he married Louisa in 1904.

Mr. Babcock was born near Seaward August 17, 1878. When he was four-years-old, he moved with his parents, Erasmus and Eliza Babcock, from Utica to northwest Antelope county. His father moved onto a pre-emption place three miles west of Clearwater.

Clay was the youngest child (there were five sons and two daughters). Clay remembers a horse figured in the deal when his father purchased the 160-acre farm complete with shack.

He went to school in a "soddie" and that's where he was on Jan. 12, 1888—the day of the historic blizzard.

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### Union Protestant Rites at Assembly

A union Thanksgiving service, sponsored by members of the O'Neill Ministerial association, will be held at the Assembly of God church Wednesday, November 26, 8 p.m.

Rev. John Hart of First Presbyterian church will be in charge and Rev. C. P. Turner of Center Union church will deliver the sermon. Participating churches, besides those indicated, are Wesleyan Methodist and the Church of Christ.

The public is invited.

Mr. Glenn Kenntcott of First Methodist church is the new chairman of the association and Reverend Hart is the newly-elected secretary.

This Issue in Mail  
One Day Early—

This Thanksgiving issue of The Frontier went to press 24 hours earlier than usual in order that most subscribers would have the paper in their mailboxes ahead of the holiday.

City and RFD routes do not operate on holidays.

### Unveiling, Contesting at 7:30 Friday Eve

Yule windows will be unveiled simultaneously Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. And there will be a scramble for 50 bucks, too, because the windows becoming ablaze will signal the start of an unrelated items contest.

All contest windows will be posted. In each of the cooperating windows may be found from one to three unrelated (or purposely misplaced) items.

Contesters are invited to use the coupon blank found on page 6 of this issue. After the participant concludes a tour of the windows, the blank should be filled in and deposited in a ballot box at The Frontier office or at the Holt County Independent office.

In cases of ties for correctness, the ballot filed first (each ballot will be stamped with exact time of filing) will be the winner.

The contest is sponsored by the retail trade committee of the Chamber of Commerce.

First prize is \$20; second, \$15; third, \$10; fourth, \$5. (Details on page 6.)

Cooperating firms are: Apparel Shop, Ben Franklin store, Gambles, Lee Store, McCarvilles, McDonald's, O'Neill Style Shop, O'Neill Drug, Penney's Johnson Drug, Coyne Hardware, Virgil Laursen Agency, Helen's Flower and Gift Shop and Biglin's.

P.S.: Be certain your ballot is signed in the place provided for. See you at the gala yuletide unveiling!

Meanwhile, O'Neill retail stores will be open Thursday evenings until 9 o'clock the first three weeks next month—December 4, 11 and 18.

Turkey day is planned here Saturday, December 6. Registration will be at the youth center.

### Dobrovlnys Mark 55th Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dobrovolsky, who were married on the windswept plains of Alberta, Canada, exactly 55 years ago Saturday, November 22, celebrated their wedding anniversary.

A family dinner was served at noon at the Methodist church parlor by members of the Women's Society of Christian Service.

Seventy-five visitors signed the guestbook during the open-house observance at the Dobrovolsky residence four houses north of the Chicago & North Western station.

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She recalls how her family applied for Canadian citizenship and were granted it.

At the home of her mother in Lacombe, Alb., on November 22, 1903, she married Mr. Dobrovolsky, who had left Holt county as a young man to settle on the Alberta plains.

Sister Present  
Mrs. Jessie Lloyd, one of Marguerite's sisters, was an attendant at the marriage and was also present for the 55th anniversary affair. Mrs. Lloyd makes her home with the Dobrovolsky's at their city residence.

On Mr. Dobrovolsky's Canadian farm he raised wheat, oats, barley, corn, hogs and some cattle.

Having been reared in Nebraska's sandhills, the cattle country beckoned. He decided to move his wife and their two small children, Mary and Henry, to Nebraska.

They bought a ranch 14 miles southwest of Atkinson and moved to Holt in the spring of 1908.

They resided on the home ranch continuously until 10 years ago when they moved into town. Since they have divided their time between the ranch and city homes.

Mrs. Dobrovolsky keeps house for their son, Jay, on the home ranch. Their children are Henry, Jesse and Jay, all of Atkinson; Lawrence of O'Neill, Mrs. George (Mary) Schiffern and Mrs. Harlan (Dorothy) Kubart, both of Atkinson. There are 19 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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Mrs. Dobrovolsky has three brothers—Fred, Joseph and Anton, all living at Atkinson.

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### Embezzlement Case Being Continued

Keith A. Doss, 33, superintendent of the Stuart public school during the 1957-58 school year, Friday appeared before District Judge Lyle Jackson.

Doss, charged with embezzlement of \$70 of school activity and lunch funds at the Stuart institution a month ago, admitted guilt in Holt county court and was bound over to district court. He had posted a \$700 appearance bond.

Judge Jackson did not pass sentence when Doss appeared Friday and again admitted guilt to the charges. The judge said he wanted to continue the matter for the present and learn more details before imposing sentence.

Doss has been living at Hastings since leaving Stuart. He is married and the father of two children.

A half-dozen residents of Stuart were in the courtroom as spectators.

Also scheduled for trial before Judge Jackson Friday was the Wayne Galen damage suit against Howard and Delayne Oberle. The plaintiff, an Atkinson businessman, asked personal property damages from the two O'Neill men who were defendants. However, the matter was settled out of court. A judgment of \$300 was awarded to Galen in the terms of settlement and the judgment was filed Friday.

A joint petition for lump sum settlement also was filed this week in Holt district court in the matter of Harold Seger, plaintiff, vs. D. E. Seger and the Imperial Casualty & Indemnity company. The settlement involved a personal injury May 17, 1957, in which the plaintiff was injured by a mailman. The settlement figure was \$510.

### MISS YOUNG HOME

Miss Alice Young, who spent six months in Belgium as an international farm youth exchange student, reached home about 5 p.m. Friday. She is with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Young.

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### Krachies Quietly Note 50th Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Krachie quietly celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Monday, November 17 at their home in Ewing.

Relatives and a few friends, who remembered the event, called or sent cards of congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Krachie were married in Ewing on a bright sunny day—November 17, 1908. Most of their life together has been spent here.

They have three daughters: Mrs. Kermit Jefferies of Ewing, Mrs. Vlasta Rachwitz of Omaha and Mrs. Marcella Bendon of Phoenix, Ariz.

Telephone calls were received from Mrs. Rachwitz and Mrs. Bendon.

The couple also received gifts. For years "Bob", as he is known best in the community, has owned and managed butchershops at various locations in Ewing. At present he has the meat department in the K-B market.

### Saws Wood 50 Years, Then It Happened

STAR—Emmett Wert, 72, has been sawing wood more than a half-century.

Then it happened. His index finger on the left hand got into a buzz saw and the finger was fractured.

### FBI Is Entering Fund Shortage Case

### Employee at Bank Summarily Fired

SPENCER—William Spire, United States district attorney at Omaha, Monday said that he has ordered the federal bureau of investigation to probe evidence irregularities in the Spencer State bank at Spencer pertaining to the handling of municipal funds.

Mr. Spire said he had received Monday a report from the Federal Deposit Insurance corporation indicating discrepancies and shortages in accounts at the bank, an FDIC-insured institution.

Mr. Spire said it would probably be a month before his office receives a report from the FBI concerning the case.

An audit of accounts of the bank indicating shortages was received earlier this month from the auditing firm of Peat, Marwick & Mitchell and a preliminary investigation was conducted by the Boyd county attorney before the matter was turned over to federal authorities.

No criminal charges have been filed.

None of the depositors will suffer any losses because of the FDIC. The village cannot suffer financial loss because its employees handling funds are bonded.

No statements have been issued to the press but it is theorized the shortages could have developed when payments of municipal light bills at the bank were not properly credited.

After auditors began to dig, one employee of the bank was summarily fired at a special meeting of bank officials.

### McBride Picks St. Mary's Duo

In the Omaha World-Herald sports section Wednesday, Gregg McBride tabbed two St. Mary's academy standouts for berths on the mythical all-state eight-man grid team.

They are End Larry Tomlinson and Back Gene Schneider, both seniors.

Write McBride: "Tomlinson was the season's eight-man standout, equally brilliant on offense and defense. Schneider was the backfield powerhouse for the undefeated Cardinals".

Other McBride choices: End—Bill Terk of Craig; guards—Don Ostidiek of Lawrence and Gary Hartman of Rising City; center—Tom Collins of Bancroft; backs—Darrell Pearson of Ceresco and Marvin Teel of Red Willow.

McBride said SMA's Bill Craig was in contention for a backfield spot. (For details on the Lincoln newspapers' selections, turn to page 3).

### Plead to Armed Robbery Charges

Two of three youths returned from Billings, Mont., in connection with robberies in the Sioux City vicinity pleaded to charges of armed robbery at LeMars Tuesday.