

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fluckey . . . spend 361/2 years on same farm.—The Frontier Photo

Fluckeys Observe Golden Wedding

CHAMBERS - Mr. and Mrs.

Arthur Fluckey celebrated their

golden wedding anniversary Sat-

A 12 o'clock dinner was served

at the home of their daughter,

Mrs. Vern Wilkinson with around

orated with golden candles, gold-

en chrysathemums and other

flowers and was centered with a

three-tier wedding cake baked,

decorated and served by Mrs. Ed-

Ice cream, cake and coffee were served by Mrs. Leyn Fluck-

Mr. Fluckey, 75, was born at Afton, Ia. His father came to

Holt county in the 1880's and

took a homestead. He erected a

sodhouse and the following year

moved his wife and their four

children to their new home in

Mr. Fluckey, who was six-

The trip from Afton to Holt re-

quired nine days. The wagon was

drawn by a small horse and a

Mrs. Fluckey was born at

The couple met at a neighbor-

hood party. "He sort of made eyes

at me, we began keeping com-

ship, marriage and half-century

Arthur Fluckey and Bessie

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he had been a patient four days.

The youth had been in ill health

pastor, officiated. Burial was in

Wood Lawn cemetery. Pallbear-

ers were six classmates.

Atkinson High

Brainard, in Butler county (near

David City). She was 14-years-

a covered wagon.

spanking, he remembers.

parents to Holt county.

of wedded life.

ward Nissen of Wayne.

urday, December 24.

'Frozen' Gas Tax Money Released

Holt's Share \$39,167; do guests present. Open-nouse was held in the Fluckey home, four Pinch Felt

Holt county last Thursday received a warrant for \$39,167.88
gold-tinted carnation boutonniers
The twin sisters attended elementary grade school at St. Ma-State Treasurer Frank and golden chrysanthemum cor- ry's acad Holt's share of "frozen" gas tax from their children. money which had been held gasoline tax distribution laws.

Heintze had brought suit aganist all the counties and deposited nearly three-million-dollars with Lancaster county district court. Some of the more populous counties (notably Douglas and Lancaster) had contended that Heintze used an outdated formula in determining how the counties should share.

Most counties, including Holt, had felt the financial pinch when the gas tax money for three months - October, November and December, 1954was held up for a year.

Holt Treasurer J. Ed Hancock Vern Wilkinson of Chambers. said the money will be distributed like this:

Bridge 4,911.48
Road 12,278.68
Road-bridge 4,911.48
Mail route 15,667.15

Total\$39,167.88 Former Residents

Affected by Floods

Relentless rains fed overflow-ing rivers in northern California, southern Oregon, and western Nevada counties this week, making thousands of persons homeless during the Christmas holidays. Flood victims include many

former residents from this area. Among reports from former residents in the disaster area: Mr. and Mrs. George Curtis

and family, who reside at Novato, Calif., were forced to abandon their home located about 40 miles north of San Francisco. Mrs. Curtis is the former Betty Biglin, daughter of Mrs. F. J. Biglin of old when she accompanied her

Mrs. Curtis's brother, Dr. Robert Biglin of Reno, Nev., reported to his mohter here a breakdown pany, and we've been together of heat, water and sewer facilities in the gambling capital, which ever since." That's the way Mrs. was cut in two by the outlaw Fluckey summed up the court-

Willard Gray of Lodi, Calif., known at Page, helped with filling of sandbags to prevent flood- Meyers were married at Chaming there. He reported to his wife, bers December 24, 1905. who has been visiting Mr. and The marriage was performed Mrs. Melvin Lund at Scotia, that in Chambers as a part of a dou- aha, on Tuesday. Archbishop people were being evacuated from ble wedding. The other couple Gerald T. Bergan of the Omaha nearby Stockton, Calif., but until Christmas none had been forced to leave Lodi.

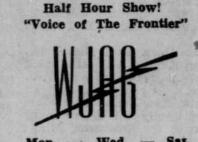
Mrs. Willard Gray will return to California in time for new year's. Mr. and Mrs. John Gray and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gray, all of Page, vistied with Mrs. Willard Gray Sunday at Scotia.

'Grandma' Evans Travels to Store to Buy Supplies

VENUS - "Grandma" Evans 93, picked out a springlike day last week to go to the Venus store to lay in the winter's sup-ply of foodstuffs. for several years. Rev. E. W. Dannitschek, church

She made the trip Saturday with her son, Harrison. "Grandma" Evans observed: "It's such a nice day I decided it was time to do some shop-

ping. Besides, I haven't been out much this winter." The Frontier for printing!



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PAGES

This Issue

in Atkinson;

Dies At 80

Native of Syria to

U.S. Alone at 16:

Owns 1,500 Acres

ATKINSON—George Syfie, 80, owner and operator of the Pheon-

ix community store between 1905

and 1947, died Friday, December

23, in Atkinson Memorial hospital. He had been in failing

health for several years and had been hospitalized on several oc-

casions during the past four years.

O'Neill communities.

America years later.

Damero at Butte.

of O'Neill.

him in death.

The late Mr. Syfie was wellcnown in northern Holt and Boyd counties and in the Atkinson and

Funeral services were conduct-

ed at 2 p.m., Monday, December 26, from the Methodist church in

Burial was in the rural Phoenia

The late Mr. Syfie was born in Syria, Lebanon, Asia Minor.

When he was 16-years-old he

came to the United States alone. His mother and sister came to

In June, 1907, he married Edita

He worked his way from

Massachusetts to South Dakota,

where he took a homestead in

Lyman county, near the Ken-

Nebraska where he started a gro-

cery store at Phoenix, northwest

Mr. Syfie for many years op-

He retired from active works

His parents and sister preceded

He was always active in

farming and ranching, accumu-

lating 1,500 acres of land and

Survivors include: Widow -

Edith; daughters - Violet of

Boulder, Colo.; Mrs. Adriam (Eva) Mitchell of Atkinson; Mrs.

Russell (Alma) Angus of Spen-

cer, Mrs. John (Naomi) Schoberg

of Omaha; son-George, jr., of

Miss Violet Syfie of Boulder

Colo.; Miss Bertha Bruder of

Boulder, Colo.; Mr. and Mrs. John

Schoberg and family of Omaha.

Ed George of Creighton; Mr. and

S.D.; Joe Syfie of Gregory, S.D.

Rev. and Mrs. Ray Haun of Ains-

worth; Mrs. Clint Miller of Ains-

worth; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Em-

Mrs. Charles Ellis of Winner

distance

a fine herd of cattle.

the Phoenix community.

mons of Bloomfield.

Among those from a

attending the funeral were:

when his son, George, jr., return-

ed from military service in 1946.

erated the rural Phoenix postof-

A few years later he came to

Seven Cents

North-Central Nebraska's BIGGEST Newspaper

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O'Neill, Holt County, Nebraska, Thursday, December 29, 1955.

O'Neillite Dies While on Vacation

Miss Helen Gallagher Fatally Stricken in LaCrosse, Wisc.

Miss Helen Gallagher, 46, a win daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. James P. Gallagher, pioneer O'Neill merchants, died suddenly at 9:30 p.m., Tuesday, December 27, while visiting relatives in La-

She and her twin sister, Miss Hilda, third grade teacher in the O'Neill city schools, had left O'-Neill last Thursday to go to La-Crosse to spend the holidays with their brother, Dr. Frank Gallagher, a prominent LaCrosse physician and surgeon, and their uncle Dr. E. E. Gallagher, also prominent in Wisconsin medical circles.

The remains will arrive in O'. Neill Friday morning. A rosary rite will be held at Biglin's funeral chapel at 8 p.m., Friday.

Requiem high mass will be of-fered at 10 a.m., Saturday, December 31, from St Patrick's Catholic church with Very Rev. Timothy O'Sullivan, church pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Calvary cemetery.

The late Miss Gallagher was born March 28, 1909, at O'Neill. Her grandfather, Michael Gallagher, one of the early settlers of 40 guests present. Open-house was the community, homesteaded 21/2 miles east of here. Her mother miles south of Chambers, from 2 was the former Winnie McEnimy, till 5 o'clock that afternoon with around one hundred signing the who was born in Canada

bere for thre Heintze. The amount represented sage and a television set-gifts years and finished their grade, high school and college work to-Also many gifts and cards were gether at Loretto Heights, Denpending a ruling on Nebraska's received from their friends and ver, Colo. Miss Helen received a bachelor's degree in education. For health reasons she spent Mrs. Marvin Fluckey of Hast-

Mrs. Loy Fluckey helped with life. the opening of gifts. The family store here was

The table was covered with an closed in 1949 following the death ecru crocheted tablecloth with a of the store manager, Miss Mamie golden cloth underlay. It was dec- Meer.

Suvrivors include: Twin sister - Miss Hilda of O'Neill; brother- Dr. Frank Gallagher of LaCrosse; uncle-Dr. E. E. Gallagher of LaCrosse; aunt-Mrs. Agnes Beher of Casper,

She was preceded in death by ey of Arlington, Mrs. Gordon Fluckey of Hastings and Mrs. her father, who died many years ago, and her mother, who died Cal Stewart of The Frontier in 1948.

The late Miss Gallagher was a took pictures of the couple and a tape - recorded interview was member of St. Patrick's church, heard on the Monday "Voice of Altar society, and St. Anthony's The Frontier" program (WJAG, hospital auxiliary.

The Gallagher sisters have always maintained their home at the corner of Eighth and East Douglas streets.

Father Lisco, 42, Dies in Minnesota

Rev. Raymond Lisco, 42, a native of Silver Creek and former years-old, recalls he stood on his assistant pastor at St. Patrick's head in the wagon while it creak- Catholic church here, died Satured through the brick streets of day at Thief River Falls, Minn.

Omaha—much to the delight of

Funeral masses were at Crookthe pedestrians on the streets. His ston, Minn., on Monday and at performance cost him a sound | Our Lady of Lourdes church, Om-



Father Lisco . . . formerly assistant pastor at St. Patrick's. -O'Neill Photo Co.

diosese officited in the pontifical rite on Tuesday.

Father Lisco was ordained in December, 1943. He was assistant 'Pair of Red Goose shoes, fapastor at Assumption church at Senior Is Dead

Omaha until May, 1945, when he transferred to O'Neill. He was assistant here and St. Mary's acafrom demy athletic director until June, 1947. He served at Flagstaff, ATKINSON- Funeral services Ariz., before going to Minnesota.

John's Lutheran church for Don-ald Roger Davis, 19, Atkinson high Mrs. Marie Lisco of Omaha; sisschool senior. He died about 4:30 a.m., Tuesday, December 27, in Atkinson Memorial hospital where aha.

Mrs. Marie Lisco of Omana; sissents a porceia ters — Mrs. Margaret Peter and pail (with lid).

Ms. Blanche Curran, both of Ompresent a turn present a porceia term present a pail (with lid).

Mrs. Hazel Coulter Wins Mink Stole company will offer the p

Donald Roger Davis was born was declared the winner in the baby tender for the busy new hospital and boarded the eastat Atkinson July 5, 1936, the son mink stole contest sponsored by mother. of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Davis. the New Outlaw in West O'Neill, a veteran postal employee here. made Wednesday afternoon.





Two Christmas babies were born in St. Anthony's hospital here: Kare Ann Cameron, being held by her mother, Mrs. Donald Cameron of Chambers, and Nola Jeanne Angel, being exhibited by her mother, Mrs. Donovan Angel of Spencer.-The Frontier Photo.

Who'll Be No. 1 in '56 Holt Baby Derby?

Gambles have set aside a hard-

Last, but not least. The Fron-

on Ice Conditions

Hospitalized

A temperature drop early Wed-

Slippery conditions were blam-

Four teenage Spencer boys

narrowly escaped serious injury

about 3 o'clock Wednesday after-

noon when their southbound car

went into the nearby "borrow"

skinned right wrist.

damaged car from the pit.

Power and telephone officials

kept an eye on the weather

when the mercury started to

dip at 6 a.m., when the tempera-

ture was 32 degrees. By 9 o'-

clock the mercury had dropped to 28. The drizzle turned into

George Kelly of Hay Springs,

snow flurries.

according to motorists.

ed for a series of accidents.

Leading O'Neill merchants once again will shower the first-born wood nursery chair. ings took care of the guest book. one year in Arizona in younger Holt county baby in the new year. Thus, the \$64 question becomes: tier will issue a one-year gift Who'll be number one in 1956? | subscription in the name of the

Like in previous years, the ba- winner . . . a gift the whole famby derby will get underway at the stroke of midnight, simultaneously with the arrival of the a reading mood. new year. To be eligible to cash in on the rich gift shower, the baby must be born within the boundaries of Holt county, and a blank (see page 5) must be filledin by the proud parents and for-warded to the First Baby Editor, The Frontier, O'Neill. Two Fremont Women

Official winner will be proclaimed in the columns of The Frontier. "Voice of The Frontier" radio programs will keep the public posted on progress of

With a bit of luck the Monday, conditions on O'Neill streets and January 2, program (WJAG, 780 k.c., 9:30 a.m.) might have some

derby news. Occasionally in the past competition has been very keen with a matter of only a few hours separating the winner from the contenders. However, one year-1951 the stork dallied until January 7 to drop off the champ.

Full details of the shower gifts for the new royalty - king or queen-may be found on pages 4 and 5 of this issue. The gifts in a nutshell:

Case of Meadow Gold vitamin occurred 15 miles north of O'-D milk, courtesy of Beatrice Neill. The car flipped over and

pit on the east side of the road. Bed jacket for mother, compliments of the Apparel Shop. Fresh-cut hospital bouquet from the Elkhorn Flower Shop. Neill the ice condition on the oil Fried chicken dinner for the mat was "unexpected." doting parents, complimentary at the M&M Bakery & Cafe.

Choice of wallpaper for the lieves the car flipped over him, nursery, free, from "Scovie's" barely clearing his body. Schom-Western Auto store. mer suffered a bruised neck, Case of Gerber's baby food to shoulder abrasions and was

first baby, compliments of the knocked unconsciuos. Other pas-New Outlaw store. Rexall Stork nurser and family thermometer with best wishes from Gilligan's Rexall Drug.

Ten-karat gold baby ring and an 1847 Rogers silver-plated infant's feeding spoon to be presented by McIntosh Jewelry.

One case of Heinz baby food man whose car was also in the with congratulations from Shel- ditch. hamer Foods.

mous for children, from McCar-One dozen 3x5 mounted prints from a photo of the champ to be

taken by the O'Neill Photo Co. Baby must be kept warm nesday, December 28, from St. Town.

He went from O'Neill to Boys choice, from the Moore-Noble Lumber 1. Coyne's Hardware proudly presents a porcelain enamel diaper

> J. M. McDonald company will and her daughter, Mrs. Donald a turkish towel set (choice of color) to the derby McIntosh was driving a west-The Merri Dr. Pepper Bottling four children and her mother. company will offer the proud pop | Both Mrs. Moritz

Intosh were hospitalized here; Midwest Furniture will award neither seriously injured. The Mrs. Hazel Coulter of O'Neill a teeter-babe jumper — an ideal children were cared for at the bound C&NW train Wednesday

Biglin's will hail the '56 derby night for Fremont. His mother's maiden name was it was announced by Manager winner with a modernistic tripod Lucille Stansberry. His father is Phil Cohn. The presentation was lamp — a welcomed addition to driver of the eastbound car, was anybody's living room. unhurt.

Santa, Stork Assist with Xmas Babies

Santa gave the stork an assist late Christmas day—Sunday, December 25—at St. Anthony's hospital. Baby girls were born to Mr. and Mrs. Donovan Angel of Spencer and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cameron of Cham-

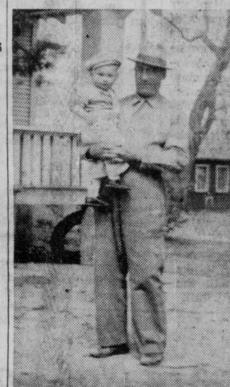
Nola Jeanne Angel was the first arrival, putting in her appearance at 9:28 p.m., and weighing 9 pounds 10 1/4 ounces. Nola Jeanne has a brother, Kenneth, 8, and a sister, Dianne, 5. Her mother is the former June Reynolds. The family resides four miles south of

Kare Ann arrived little more than an hour later — at 10:57 p.m.-and weighed 6 pounds 14 ounces. Kare Ann is the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Carmeron of Chambers. Mrs. Cameron is the former Marcella Tomjack of Ewing.

MARRIAGE LICENSES nesday while a touch of rain was in the air, created treacherous ice Ralph M. Morrow, 24, of O'-Neill and Neva Mae Bauer, 22, of

Ewing, December 23. on hardsurfaced highways in the Owen Monroe Davis, 18, of O'-Neill and Mildred Louise Crabb, The condition was worse within 18, of O'Neill, December 24. about a 15-mile radius of O'Neill, Joseph L. Bauer, 26, of Creighon and Earline May Woodworth,

19, of Orchard, December 27.



Mr. Syfie . . . well-known in Holt and Boyd counties. (Story at right)

HEARING SET A parole violation hearing for Nelson Gibson of Atkinson has been set for 10 a.m., Wednesday, January 4, by District Judge D. R. Mounts.



Spencer Bonds Draw 21/4% Rate SPENCER-The village of Spencer, still paying for bond issues for pavement, power and sewer

> Oficials of the state board of educational lands and funds said the Boyd county town official's have agreed to accept the rate offered by the board.

dating back to 1921, has arranged

to refinance 20-year issue muni-

cipal bonds at 21/4 percent inter-

The board holds 119-thousand dollars worth of Spencer bonds, which fall due January 1. The municipality asked the board to refinance these bonds at 1 percent interest, like the present bonds The state board said the 21/4 rate is cheaper than the village could sell the bonds elsewhere.

After the village defaulted or interst payments, the original bonds were replaced in 1936 by 20-year refunding issue of 274-thousand-dollars. The village has whittled this indebtedness to 119thousand-dollars.

Auction Calendar

Wednesday, January 4: John and Cora Claussen, north of O'-Neill: 114 head of cattle; lineup of good farming and haying machinery; some houeshold goods Col. Wallace O'Connell of O'Neil auctioneer; O'Neill National Bank clerk. (Details on page 11.) Tuesday, February 7: Ninety seven head of registered Angua annual spring sale of Holt County Aberdeen-Angus Breeders' association, O'Neill Livestock Marke' show at 9 a.m.; sale at 1 p.m. Evert Miner of O'Neill, sale manager. (Catalogs are being published by The Frontier).

STORES CLOSE AT 5:30 O'Neill stores will close at 5:30 prietors and their families to spend new year's eve together.

To Gordon, Chadron-

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Jaszkowiak and daughter, Miss Nyla, returned late Tuesday after having spen Christmas with relatives at Gendon and Chadron.



Win Expense Trip to Bermuda

Mr. and Mrs. William Kelly were thrilled upon receipt of an air mail special delivery Christmas letter advising them they are to be the recipients of a seven-day all-expense trip to Bermuda in March. Mr. Kelly, member of the James J. Kelly & Son plumbing firm, 'n October entered a 25-word contest sponsored by the Rheems hot water heater manufacturing firm. His entry was judged second throughout the nation The Kellys will fly from Idlewilde airport at New York City to Bermuda and return.—The Fronteir Photo.