

### Crosby Says 'Bonus' for U.S. Hiway 281

(Continued from page 1) The end of the biennium, and which presently carry more than 200 vehicles per day. The remaining mileage not included will be considered for improvement with higher type surfacing in the next biennium program, which is now being prepared and will be announced by January 1, 1955.

Further improvements of this type are entirely pending upon the continuance of current revenues, Rees said.

Senator Nelson, who returned Saturday from the recent special session of the unicameral, twice during his stay in Lincoln had conferred with the governor and Mr. Rees. Twice in the fortnight Mr. Griffin also had conferences with Crosby and Rees.

Crosby is not a candidate for reelection for governor but he has filed for the U.S. senate long-term race on the republican ticket.

According to word passed to the Holt county judges by the governor, U.S. highway 281 will be hardsurfaced from O'Neill to the junction of state highway 12 in Boyd county, northeast of the Spencer dam this year. The junction is about 2 1/2 miles southeast of Spencer and two miles of this are presently hardsurfaced.

Plans for 7.3 miles from the highway 12 junction south will be processed immediately. This was to be announced early today (Thursday), along with these other projects involved in the "bonus" program:

- Rushville north, 15.4 miles.
- Bassett north, 6.3 miles.
- Norfolk-Hoskins, 7 miles.
- Allen, north and south, 7.9 miles.
- Leigh east, 9 miles.
- Schuyler south, 7 miles.
- Syracuse south, 14 miles.
- Fairbury south, 8.9 miles.
- Ruskin west, 10 miles.
- Elmwood - Smithfield, 6.9 miles.
- Oxford-Orleans, 11.6 miles.
- Sargent-Taylor, 9.2 miles.
- Clarkson spur, 9 of a mile.
- Howells spur, 4 miles.
- Dodge, 6 mile.

These will all be bituminous surface with the exception of Syracuse south, which will have concrete paving.

**BOOSTERS COMING**

Seventy-two Omaha firms will be represented in a booster delegation expected to arrive here at 10:50 a.m., Friday. Earlier stops for the goodwill special train will be made that morning at Stuart and Atkinson; later stops at Inman, Ewing and Clearwater.

### JONAS IN JAIL

Lawrence Jonas of O'Neill was placed in the Holt county jail Wednesday afternoon after a warrant for his arrest had been issued by County Attorney William W. Griffin. Jonas had issued a \$10 no account check, Griffin said.

### O'Neill News

George McCarthy attended the institution of a new Knights of Columbus council in South Sioux City Sunday. A banquet followed at the Mayfair hotel in Sioux City.

Mr. and Mrs. William Mattern returned from Lincoln Wednesday. They had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Kalin, since Sunday.

Tuesday, Mrs. Henry Martin visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Watson in Chambers.

Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Marcellus were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Marcellus in Stuart.

Mrs. D. C. Schaffer returned Wednesday, May 5, from Marysville and Seattle, Wash., where she had been visiting her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Rector, and her brother, Ralph Gribble.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Wallace and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Kersensbrock and family spent Sunday in Greeley visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Connor and family.

Mother's day guests of Mrs. Ruth Morgan were her daughters and their families: Mr. and Mrs. George Hendricks and daughters of Omaha and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Colfack and family of Albion. Her son, Richard, who has been stationed at San Diego, Calif., arrived Monday. He is enroute to the naval station at Great Lakes, Ill., where he will be located.

James Van Evey left Sunday for Springfield, Mo., where he will visit several days with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Burks of San Diego, Calif., left for their home last Thursday. They had been visiting at the homes of their respective mothers, Mrs. Laura Burks and Mrs. M. P. Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Reynolds visited over the weekend at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Reynolds, in Albion.

Louis Kusek of Denver, Colo., was a guest Wednesday, May 5, and Thursday, May 6, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George McCarthy.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wadden of Beaumont, Tex., arrived Monday to visit her aunts, Mrs. Susan Deaver and Miss Anna L. O'Donnell. They will leave for their home in Beaumont Saturday. Mrs. Wadden is the former Patricia O'Donnell of O'Neill.



### Bennett, Lueken Head Baseball Loop

LYNCH—At the annual Boyd county baseball league meeting Harry Bennett of Spencer was elected president and Mel Lueken of Lynch, secretary.

Teams in the 1954 campaign are Butte, Fairfax, S.D., Lynch, Naper, Niobrara, Spencer and Verdell. The opening games will be Sunday, May 23.

**Visits Family—**

William J. Froelich, jr., USN, who is stationed in Washington, D.C., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Froelich, sr., and family Saturday. He returned to Washington Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bowker and family and Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hammond drove to Neigh on Sunday where they visited Mr. Bowker's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Bowker.

### District 5 School Built in 1940

(SECOND IN A SERIES)  
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The finest school building and the best of equipment do not necessarily guarantee an equally fine educational program because the final criterion of a school's success is: Are the pupils actually learning to the best of their individual ability?

With this thought in mind, let's take a look at district 5, located three miles southeast of O'Neill and taught by Mrs. Marie Schneider Ramold. Designated as a class A school last year and eligible for the rating again this year, district 5 is a rural school fully deserving of the honor.

The school building was erected in 1940, making it one of the newer school buildings in Holt county. The surrounding grounds are attractively landscaped and well fenced. A brightly painted merry-go-round, swings, teeter-totters, basketball, baseball and bat are evidence that the ample recreation space is well put to use.

Any district considering the building of a new school might do well to note the advantages found in this plant. The large main room seems very conducive to pleasant study with its white venetian blinds on north windows, light oak floors, modern fluorescent lighting, and its softly tinted blue walls. The two large classrooms feature storage space for cleaning supplies, mirrors and comb cases to encourage neatness. Set off by an archway from the main classroom is a large library alcove containing book shelves and a reading table, another storage cupboard and a sand box for the younger pupils. In a nook by the basement stairway are the washing and drinking supplies.

The full basement contains a coal furnace, automatic pump, large recreation tables, and a kitchen with both a kerosene stove and electric hot plate. There is also a work shop with tools for the pupils to use in doing simple woodworking.

But to return to the real yardstick by which any school is measured: The pupils. There is an enrollment of 18: Mathew Beha, eighth; Ambrose Howard, Gene Schneider, Theresa Pribil, Charles Mahoney, seventh; Betty Jane Schneider, Pauline Mahoney, sixth; Agnes Mahoney, fifth; Carolyn Jean Fuhrer, fourth; Rosemary Mahoney, Jerry Beha, third; Mary Ellen Beha, Michael Mahoney, first; Veronica Pribil, Jimmy Beha, Patrick Mahoney, kindergarten.

To successfully handle these eight different grades simultaneously requires excellent organization and planning, both of which are evident in Mrs. Ramold's teaching. And to hear fifth and sixth graders display thorough knowledge of "predicate nominatives" and "verbs of being" would indicate the basic knowledge being acquired by the pupils.

Further evidence of high scholastic standing might be that in the group spelling contest held in conjunction with nine surrounding schools, district 5 could boast of two first

place winners: Pauline and Rosemary Mahoney; and four seconds: Mathew Beha, Gene Schneider, Agnes Mahoney and Carolyn Fuhrer. Miss Pauline Mahoney then went on to win second place in her grade at the county contest.

On all sides are evidences of the creative original work done by these courteous and friendly pupils. In the basement room is a large "puppet theater." A colorful Easter egg tree decorates the library alcove. Two large bulletin boards are covered by original pupil-made murals. A tall cardboard house, accompanied by paper sack masks, helps the younger pupils recreate "The Three Little Pigs" in a vivid dramatization.

Both teacher and pupils have used various educational devices in order to take part in as broad a curriculum as possible. District 5 provides a piano, a complete new set of maps, a large globe purchased just this year, the most recent edition of Compton's Pictured encyclopedia, recently published textbooks, library books, radio and phonograph.

This highly rated school (905 points out of a possible 1,000) reflects the genuine interest and ever-present cooperation of parents and school board members, E. M. Leach, Matt Beha and Leo Schneider. Their regard for Mrs. Ramold as a teacher for their children may be shown by the fact that she has spent four of her eight years' teaching experience in this district.

Like the old question, "Which came first, the egg or the chicken?" the new question of "Which came first, the class A school or interested patrons?" would be just as difficult to answer. It would seem that neither always comes first; one naturally leads to the other; and when both combine the results are truly noteworthy. More and more of our county's rural schools do possess this combination and either have produced or are producing the same fine results.

After reading the disturbing articles concerning our nation's schools which have appeared in so many periodicals recently, it is quite gratifying to know that here, in our county, are some schools still blessedly old-fashioned enough to believe that the primary purpose of the school is to teach basic knowledge; that here are classrooms where industry and orderly conduct still are combined; and that here are

### Few Objections to Niobrara Job

The army engineers said that "very few" objections have been received to its decision that proposed flood control work on the Niobrara river would not be justified.

A spokesman said that Monday was the last day for filing objections.

The engineers have reversed a field report which recommended a one million dollar project of which \$392,000 would be financed by the federal government and the remainder by local interests.

Lyle P. Dierks and James W. Rooney, who recently testified before a congressional subcommittee in Washington, D.C., made a report Monday evening to the Chamber of Commerce. They spoke in behalf of the 98-million-dollar development plan. Rooney also reported on pro-

gress of plans for the Kauzor Packing company's O'Neill plant. Blueprints are being drawn and construction bids soon will be sought.

### 3 Youths Being Held on Larceny

Three youths are now being held in Holt county jail to face grand larceny charges.

They are:

Ronald Bazelman, 18, who admitted guilt in justice court 10 days ago and was placed under \$2,000 bond.

Gaylen Hull, 18, who was brought to O'Neill Saturday by County Sheriff Leo Tomjack. He had been working at Hebron. Hull this week admitted guilt in justice court and was placed under the same bond.

Larry Hopkins, 22 formerly of Ewing, was brought to O'Neill Friday by Tomjack from Lake Andes, S.D., where he had been employed. Hopkins appeared before Justice H. W. Tomlinson, admitted guilt, and also is being held under \$2,000 bond.

All three have been bound over to the district court. District Judge D. R. Mounts, who has been in Omaha, has not fixed a hearing date, according to County Attorney William W. Griffin.

### Former Residents Wedded 50 Years

An open-house honoring the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Young of Neigh was held at the home of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Beckwith, near Emmet Sunday. Around 100 people attended the event.

Mr. and Mrs. Young were married in Fullerton May 12, 1904. They lived in Central City and Clarkson until 1918, at which time they moved to Atkinson and resided there until 1946, when they moved to Neigh.

They are the parents of six children and five were present at the anniversary party Sunday. They were: Mrs. Leon (Hazel) Beckwith of Emmet; Mrs. Blanche Kazda of Oakdale; Mrs. Lynus (Ruth) Howard of O'Neill; E. R. Young, jr., who is stationed in Alaska; Mrs. Derald (Marie) Graham of O'Neill; Mrs. Thomas (Olive) Wyant of Portland, Ore.; Their son, Everett, died in 1943 in Denver, Colo.

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Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Young... golden wedding.—O'Neill Photo Co.



District 5 pupils in their library (left-to-right): Betty Jane Schneider, Rosemary Mahoney, Pauline Mahoney, Theresa Pribil and Carolyn Jean Fuhrer.—The Frontier Photo.



Mrs. Andy Ramold, teacher in district 5 (extreme right) poses with pupils: Betty Jean Schneider, Pauline Mahoney, Carolyn Jean Fuhrer, Agnes Mahoney, Rosemary Mahoney, Mary Ellen Beha, Jimmy Beha, Pat Mahoney, Michael Mahoney, Jerry Beha, Gene Schneider, Theresa Pribil. Absent when photo was taken: Matthew Beha, Charles Mahoney, Veronica Pribil and Ambrose Howard. (The boys made the mural in the background).—The Frontier Photo.



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