

Holt, Boyd Bankers Honored by Treasury

Mrs. Miller Rites Held

Native Holt Countyman Spends Lifetime on Farms Near Eagle

Funerary services were conducted at 2 p. m., Saturday, February 12, from Paddock Union church, north of O'Neill, for Mrs. Emma Melvina Miller, 74, widow of the late Michael Bertram Miller. She died at 11:25 a. m., Thursday, February 17, in St. Anthony's hospital here after having been ill three months.

The church could not accommodate the large crowd. Burial was made with temperatures below zero.

Rev. W. B. Smith of O'Neill officiated and interment was in Paddock Union cemetery under the direction of Biglin's. Pallbearers were Nathan Conard, Fay Puckett, Paul Nelson, Emmet Slaight, S. R. Robertson and Clarence Poss.

The late Mrs. Miller, who was the mother of 15 children, three of whom are deceased, was born September 2, 1880, in a sodhouse in the Dustin community, northwest of Atkinson.

She was the second daughter of Meyers T. Childs and Mary Elizabeth Smith Childs, who came to the locality from Iowa.

As a young girl she once made a trip with her parents from Nebraska to Pennsylvania and then to Bellingham, Wash. Most members of the family remained in Washington. She returned to Holt county.

On September 27, 1899, she married Mr. Miller at Paddock. The bridegroom's father was the first minister to serve the newly-built Paddock church.

The couple spent their married life on the farm near Eagle creek, owning one farm and occupying another in the same vicinity.

Mr. Miller died July 25, 1935. Singers at the funeral were Mrs. Axel Borg, Mrs. S. R. Robertson and Mrs. Paul Nelson, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Virgil Hubby.

Survivors include: Sons—Alvin, Carl, Wilbur, Cecil, Orville and Bernard, all of O'Neill; Albert and Emmet, daughters—Mrs. Chester (Mabel) Ross of Spencer; Mrs. Ted (Mae) Crawford, Mrs. Cecil (Edythe) Falter and Mrs. William F. (Anna Lee) Gallagher, all of O'Neill; Mrs. Frank (Marie) Gehlsen and 13 grand-children; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Children of O'Neill: Claude and Charles of Sacramento, Calif.; Ray and Charles Childs, both of Bellingham, Wash.; sisters—Mrs. Thomas (Edith) Johnson and Mrs. Jackson (Letty) Robertson, both of Bellingham. The deceased children are Orchard, Raymond and Maude.

4-H Speech Winners Are Selected Here

On Saturday, the county 4-H public speaking contest was held in the courthouse. There were 13 entries in the four classes.

Winner of the senior girls' class, those over 14 years, was Mary Claire Gilg of Atkinson. Tied for second and third were Lois Strong of Chambers and Judy Sanders of O'Neill.

Winner of the junior boys' division was Danny Judge of Atkinson.

In the junior group were Susan Tenborg of Emmet, first; Marlene Beck of Atkinson, second; and Demaris Strong of Chambers, third. Winner of the junior boys' contest was Gary Pick of Inman, first; Jim Gilg of Atkinson, second; and Jack Gilg of Atkinson, third.

Mary Claire Gilg and Danny Judge represented Holt county at the district contest held in Bassett Wednesday.

Judges for the contest were Mrs. Edgar Stauffer of Page, James Rooney and George Hammond, both of O'Neill.

Injures Teeth as Car Hits Snowbank

PAGE—Noel Wood had the misfortune to have two double teeth broken when the car in which he was riding missed the track and hit a snowbank.

The car, owned by Floyd Frahm and driven by his son, Marlen, was damaged considerably on the front end. Both Marlen and Noel were shaken up.

They were near the Harry Park farm at the time of the accident.

County Board to Meet Wednesday, Thursday

The February meeting of the Holt county board of supervisors will be on Wednesday and Thursday, February 23 and 24, instead of Tuesday and Wednesday—the established dates. Tuesday, February 22, is Washington's birthday anniversary and the court-house and other government offices will be closed.

SEPARATOR EXPLODES

AMELIA—Eric Retzlaff's cream separator "exploded" one day last week while Mr. Retzlaff was doing the separating.

Frontier for printing!

Holt and Boyd county bankers were awarded commendation certificates Monday evening by Glen Cunningham, former Omaha mayor, who is now head of U.S. Savings bonds sales in Nebraska. The ceremonies took place at the February meeting of the Chamber of Commerce held at Slat's cafe.

Mr. Cunningham said Holt bankers have sold, without remuneration, 6½ million dollars' worth of series E and H bonds presently held by individual residents of the county. He said Boyd countyans owned 2½-million-dollar's worth. (The speaker pointed out these figures do not include bonds held by political subdivisions and corporations.)

"Bankers process and sell these bonds as a public service," Mr. Cunningham said. He pointed out that bankers realize these bonds provide a "wonderful reserve or cushion against serious economic situations" and for that reason these bankers "are happy to perform this patriotic service."

J. G. Brewster, president of the Tri-County Bank of Stuart, responded in behalf of the bankers from the two-county area.

He said money being served in U.S. bonds and earning interest represents "sound money in a very real sense." Brewster suggested that the huge cash reserve in savings bonds played a vital role in averting an economic recession a year or so ago.

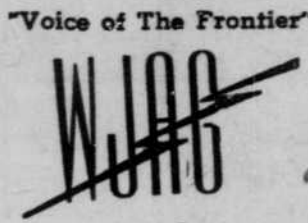
"If nothing else, the cash reserves in government bonds have a wonderful psychological effect on the economy of our country and help compensate for an unbalanced budget," the Stuart banker added.

Lyle P. Dierks of Ewing is Holt county bond sales chairman. George E. Wright, president of the Bank of Elgin, is district chairman and was present at the meeting.

John C. Watson, vice-president of the Chambers made the introduction in the absence of the Chamber president, Don Petersen. (Bankers receiving commendations are pictured at right.)

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Court Drops Street Action

Acting Mayor Says He Has 'Authority'

Acting Mayor Emmett Crabb has told The Frontier he "had the authority" to vote on the November 8 resolution pertaining to street-widening and street improvements and an agreement with the state highway department.

In a letter to The Frontier he quoted the following:

"Section 17-148, Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 1943.

"City council, president, acting president; powers. The council shall elect one of its own body who shall be styled the 'president of the council' and who shall preside at all meetings of the council in the absence of the mayor. In the absence of the president it shall elect one of its own body to occupy his place temporarily, who shall be styled 'acting president of the council.' The president, and acting president, when occupying the place of the mayor, shall have the same privileges as other members of the council; and all acts of the president or acting president, while so acting, shall be as binding upon the council and upon the city as if done by the mayor."

Early Morn Council Meeting, Lack of Summons Factors

District Judge D. R. Mounts Monday at 1 p. m., dismissed without prejudice an application for a temporary injunction brought by two businessmen against the acting mayor of O'Neill, members of the city council and State Highway Engineer L. N. Res.

The dismissal was on the request of the plaintiffs' attorneys and came after attorneys for the city contended the court had no jurisdiction because summonses had not been issued.

Earlier the court had been asked to issue a temporary restraining order against the council on a street-widening project contemplated to retain two federal highways on present locations, through the business district.

The street-widening would affect portions of Douglas street and portions of South Fourth street. The highways are number 20 and 281.

Meanwhile, at 8 a. m., Monday the council met in special session and "ratified and revalidated" its original contract made last November 8 with the state highway department. This concerned projects identified as F200(6) and F313(9).

The council also hired two special attorneys, Frederick M. Deutsch and George Dietrich, both of Norfolk. The former city attorney, William W. Griffin, represented Res. Griffin making it clear to the court he was representing Res., a state officer. Griffin is Holt county attorney, and has been a special city counsel for about two years.

In addition, the council voted to make a new contract with the state on identical terms. The contract promptly was executed and forwarded to Lincoln.

First Ward Councilman M. J. Golden, who has dissented with the majority all along, voted "no" on all the above mentioned matters.

Third Ward Councilman Norbert Uhl voted "no" on one of the matters.

The attorneys for the plaintiff, John R. Gallagher of O'Neill and Harold Connors of Greeley, indicated they would file a new application for a restraining order against the council in a "few days" after studying Monday's council proceedings.

The plaintiffs were C. J. Gatz and Jack Arbutnot, O'Neill businessmen.

In their petition, which was dismissed, Gatz and Arbutnot claimed the November action was "null and void" because all councilmen had not been notified in writing. For Monday's 8 a. m. session, called by Acting Mayor Crabb, all three councilmen, all councilmen were advised in writing.

In Monday's hearing before a crowded courtroom, the city's attorneys filed a special appearance. The special appearance was sustained and the defendants consented to permit the plaintiffs to refill their case and issue summonses.

In the judge's chambers a tentative date of March 8 was fixed for another hearing. Gallagher and Connors indicated they would review the minutes of Monday's extraordinary session and file a new action.

The Monday hearing was an outgrowth of the city's plans to make a \$61,000 improvement in order to keep the highways on present location. The city's share of the cost would be \$30,500 and would be recoverable by special assessments.

Fellowship Has Vesper Program—STUART—The Youth Fellowship of the Stuart Community church held a vesper service Thursday evening at the church. Rev. D. D. Sullivan led the worship service.

Afterward the 28 young people attending went to the home of Miss Leola Clements where they were served supper by Mrs. LeVern Clements and Mrs. Charles Moses. Still later in the evening they went to the farm home of Donald Minnig where dessert was served.

A collection was taken for a missionary project.

Games were played for entertainment and prizes in a hats-making contest were won by Miss Shirley Ready and Gary Lockman. Sponsors were Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Cobb and those furnishing cards were Robert Brayton, Mrs. Kelly Meyers, Myron Papke, M. M. Shatuck and Mr. Cobb.

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Deer Herd Forces Motorists to Halt

An unusual situation developed Sunday evening before the eyes of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Golden and C. C. Golden while motoring to O'Neill from Norfolk, where they had attended a concert.

Near the Hughes place on U.S. highway 275, between Battle Creek and Meadow Grove, they were obliged to stop their car to permit a herd of 35 to 40 deer to dash across the road, leap a fence and disappear into the darkness. The Golden car was the first upon the scene and other autos on both sides of the crossing stopped to view the spectacle.

"Prettiest thing you ever saw," declared C. C. Golden. Several minutes were required before all the deer had crossed the highway.

-18 Reading Is Lowest of Winter

Early Saturday the mercury dropped to 18 degrees below zero—the lowest mark of the winter. Subzero temperatures had prevailed throughout the weekend and the weather moderated early this week.

Week's summary, based on 24-hour periods ending at 6 p. m., daily, follows:

Table with 2 columns: Date and Temperature. Rows include Feb 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 with corresponding high/low readings.

Grattan, Inman Without Chairman

During the recent Holt county polo drive, it was impossible to secure local chairmen in Grattan and Inman townships. No organized drive has been conducted in these townships.

Any group or individual in Grattan or Inman township who wishes to make a contribution is asked to send it to the Holt county March of Dimes at O'Neill, according to James W. Rooney, and the proper community will be credited.

Lynch Man Fined \$25 for Assault

LYNCH—Clyton Thomson, 48-year-old Lynch garage worker, was fined \$25 and assessed costs of \$9.80 Tuesday in Boyd county court after he pleaded guilty to a charge of assault and battery.

Thomson had been charged with striking and wounding Don L. Stewart, 61, a Lynch trucker, during an argument February 11 at Lynch.

The charges were filed by County Attorney W. L. Brennan on complaint signed by Stewart and Judge John P. Claussen presided.

BUY ANGUS

E. J. Revell & Son of O'Neill recently bought three purebred Aberdeen—Angus cows and a registered bull from M. E. Davis & Son of O'Neill.

New Guard Unit Taking Enlistments

O'Neill's national guard company is now in the process of accepting enlistments. The tank company is scheduled to be formed and federally recognized next month.

"This is a wonderful opportunity for young men of this community. High school seniors should investigate the benefits of joining the guard," Capt. J. L. McCarville, jr., the acting commander, said.

Ex-servicemen will be interested in looking over the retirement policy.

O'Neill's guard unit is scheduled to meet once each week, Wednesday evenings, for two hours. These weekly meetings and two weeks of summer camp will complete a year of training for guardsmen.

The information office in the courthouse will be open evenings on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from 7 o'clock through the month of February to process enlistees and to explain the guards to interested veterans and non-veterans.

Draft-Dodger Is Arraigned Here

Edward Mascarioti, 26, an Italian-American originating in Boston, Mass., was arraigned Monday before U.S. Commissioner F. J. Dishner in O'Neill on charges of evading the draft.

Mascarioti was taken to Douglas county jail, Omaha, to await hearing in federal court. He had been residing in Valentine for the past year.

6 from Region on WSTC Honor Roll

Seventy-eight students at Wayne State Teachers college were named to the first semester honor roll, including six from this region.

They are: Donna Crabb and Lita June Ernst, both of O'Neill, seniors; Carolyn Butler of Neligh, junior; Donna Fuller of Stuart, Karna Reed and Ronald Reed, both of Orchard, freshmen.

Methodists to Host Prayer Day

BRISTOW—Host church for world day of prayer, February 25 will be at Bristow Methodist church. Covenant and Lutheran churches will also participate.

The three churches are also planning a community lenten service as in previous years. February 27 is the first scheduled service at Rosedale Lutheran church.

'County Tour' Favored by Club

BRISTOW—Homemaker's club voted favorably for a "county tour day," suggested by leaders to be held at a later date, at a meeting Friday with Mrs. C. C. Nelson.

"Care of Modern Fabrics" was given by Mrs. Vernon Johnson. Mrs. J. H. Price, president, conducted the meeting.



New Pastor Here

Rev. Duane Lauber (above) is the new pastor of Wesleyan Methodist church at O'Neill. A native of the Nenzel community, he recently was ordained at Miltonvale (Kans.) college. This is his first pastorate. Reverend Lauber reached O'Neill in late January. He is single. He succeeds Rev. Melvin Grosenbach, who served the church about 10 years before moving to Gordon.

Hagensick Struck by Moving Auto

Edward Hagensick, 79, a familiar figure in O'Neill, was struck by a car driven by John Plessel of O'Neill Saturday night. The accident took place near the corner of Eighth and Benton streets about 8 o'clock.

Mr. Hagensick was walking down an ice-coated street when struck. Temperatures were below zero. Mr. Hagensick suffered a comminuted fracture above the left ankle.

Mr. Plessel took Mr. Hagensick to St. Anthony's hospital and reported the accident to the Holt county sheriff's office.

Mr. Hagensick was transferred on Wednesday to St. Vincent's hospital, Sioux City, where today (Thursday) doctors will attempt to repair the fracture. His O'Neill physician said the injured man probably would return to his home here in "about a week."

Mr. Hagensick has operated a blacksmith shop here for many years and is a veteran fireman. He suffered from shock and exposure as well as the fractured leg bones.

'Goodie' Basket Nets \$40

CHAMBERS—The Ladies Aid of St. Paul's Lutheran church met last Thursday at the church with 17 members, two visitors and some children present. Mrs. Duane Grossnicklaus joined the aid as a new member.

The lesson was from Isaiah 60, verses 1 to 5. The aid is carrying on a sewing project, the articles to be sent to hospitals in New Guinea. A "goodie" basket which had made the rounds of the members netted them nearly \$40.

Lunch was served by Mrs. Henry Brown and Mrs. Howard Claycombe, jr.

OES Supervisor Is Feted at Atkinson

ATKINSON—Mrs. Margaret Bayer, Gering, district 18 supervisor for the Order of the Eastern Star, last week conducted a school of instruction for the Atkinson chapter.

In the evening Mrs. Bayer was a guest of honor at a banquet served in the Methodist Church basement. Mrs. Laurence Dobrovolsky, worthy matron, and Fred J. Jungman, worthy patron, presided at the ceremonies after the banquet.

ATTENDS FUNERAL

EWING—Lewis Miller of Lincoln was a caller at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Archer on Tuesday afternoon, February 8. He was enroute to Atkinson to attend the funeral services of his aunt, the late Mrs. Minnie B. French.

Club to Meet

The O'Neill Women's club will meet at the home of Mrs. Robert Evans Wednesday evening, February 23, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Paul Walker will be in charge of the program.

Mrs. Froelich Hostess—Mrs. Frank Froelich entertained members of the Delta Dek Bridge club at her home Tuesday evening following dinner at the M&M. Mrs. C. J. Gatz had the high score.

The Thieles live on a farm north of Clearwater.

FIREMEN CALLED

The O'Neill volunteer firemen were called to Don's Bar about 6 o'clock Tuesday evening. An electric motor on a cooling unit had burned out. There was no other damage.

Save-Trains Mail Meeting Scheduled

Mail service to northwestern Nebraska will be discussed with postal officials at Omaha Friday by members of the Save-the-Trains association.

The group was formed after the North Western railway announced it would ask the state railway commission to remove its last passenger trains on a line from Omaha to Lander, Wyo. The trains, one each way daily, operate only between Omaha and Chadron.

Several months ago the association members pledged to railway officials their cooperation in increasing passenger, express and mail income. In return, the railway improved its passenger equipment.

Since then more persons are riding the trains and more express is being shipped on them, but mail revenues are declining.

The meeting, between representatives of towns along the Omaha - Chadron route and V. A. Klein, general superintendent of the postal transportation service, is aimed at getting more mail on the trains.

Ira L. Watson of Inman said the "fate of our passenger service might well hinge on the outcome of the meeting."

Auction Calendar

There are five auctions listed on The Frontier's sale calendar to be held within the next few weeks:

Friday, February 18: Mr. and Mrs. John Kee, residing north-west of O'Neill, will offer their 240-acre improved Holt county farm; some livestock; machinery and equipment; household goods; Col. Wallace O'Connell, O'Neill, auctioneer; Col. Verne Reynolds, O'Neill, auctioneer - broker; Carl Lorenz, O'Neill, clerk. (Details on page 7.)

Saturday, February 19: Brown Motor & Implement and Chambers Legion post, community auction, in Chambers; Col. Merlin Grossnicklaus, Chambers, auctioneer; Cleo Alderson, Chambers, clerk. (Details on page 11.)

Saturday, February 26: North-Central Nebraska Hereford association, 44 bulls, Bassett. (Write Tug Phillips, Bassett, for catalog.)

Monday, February 28: Alfred and Lois Martens personal property sale, southeast of Atkinson; ranch buildings; 56 head of cattle; ranch machinery; hay; some household items; Thorin - Bowker Auction Service, sale managers. (Details on page 8.)

Wednesday, March 2: LeRoy D. Johnson, 12 miles north of O'Neill and 6 miles east; farm closeout including 110 head of cattle; other livestock; ranch and haying machinery; grain; household goods; Col. Ed Thorin, O'Neill, auctioneer; O'Neill National Bank, clerk. (Details in next issue.)

Thursday, March 3: The O'Neill Women's club will meet at the home of Mrs. Robert Evans Wednesday evening, February 23, at 8 o'clock. Mrs. Paul Walker will be in charge of the program.