Walter O. Calkins . . . plainclothes patrolman elevated to chief following his brother's death.-The Frontier Photo.

nicipal elections in years.

Marcellus, for mayor; Earl Rod-

The incumbent Third ward

councilman, whose term ex-

pires, is not a petition candidate.

He is Norbert Uhl, who is

rounding out 18 years on the

hrough the business district.

The second slate has the en-

There are only two candi-

dates for three-year board of

education positions. They are H.

L. Lindberg and Mrs. Loretta

Hynes, both incumbents. Both

On the ballot for city offices

will be the following names:

of one year to fill a vacancy.

TAKE REGENTS EXAMS

high school seniors were among

students must rank in the top

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

BUTTE - Miss Norine Arm-

one-third of their class.

VERDIGRE - Three Verdigre

name be withdrawn.

two-year term.

are petition candidates.

school board.

council.

Street-Widening Is Election Issue cause he was not feeling well, he asked for relief from the shift, consulted a doctor, was taken to the hemital where he died.

Saturday Deadline for Vaccine Forms

Permission of Parents Needed for Shots

Parental request forms must be signed by parents and returned Dale Fetrow, for ctiy council, Norbert Uhl. to the office of the Holt county Third ward. superintendent of public instruction by Saturday morning, Apri

This is essential if parents want man, for city council, First ward; their child to receive the famous Marvin Johnson (incumbent), for Salk polio vaccine. No shots will city council, Second ward; Fred be administered to children with- Heermann, for city council, Third cut parental consent.

Mrs. H. D. Gildersleeve of O'-Neill, chairman of the Holt county chapter, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, said Wednesday shots will be given at St. Anthony's hospital, O'Neill, and Atkinson Memorial hospital, At-

The contemplated series of polio shots is contingent upon results of Salk vaccine field trials, now under study.

cessful by leading medical authorities and officials of the National Foundation, the first and second grade pupils of Holt county's pub- thusiastic support of a group lic and private schools will be known as the O'Neill Businessgiven a series of three inocula- men. This group has published a

"But no shots will be adminis- of the council's action and extered unless the parental request plaining why street-widening forms are signed, returned to the should be given preference over school and, in turn, put into the a highway bypass of the city. hands of the county superintendent by Saturday morning," explained Mrs. Gildersleeve.

The order for vaccine must be forwarded from O'Neill on Saturday by Miss Alice French, county superintendent.

Mrs. Gildersleeve said the Holt county officials hope parents will basement; Second ward-Marcelaccompany their children to the lus Buick garage; Third ward hospital for the "shots" if there is city hall. Polls will open at 8 a.m. any possibility the child might and close at 8 p.m.

There are an estimated 700 first and second graders in the county, Atkinson to Elect Miss French said.

Volunteers will aid doctors and 3 School Officialsnurses in administering the inoc-

Coats Sale Set Saturday, April 2

The Norris W. Coats-sponsored community sale at Stuart will be held Saturday, April 2. Originally it was scheduled for Saturday, recent resignation of G. E. Gon-March 26, but was postponed one

Mr. Coats has a varied offering. (See details in advertisement on

Meanwhile, the Rockey Implement company of Ewing has scheduled a liquidation sale for Saturday, April 9. The building R. M. Knowles, requested his (built in 1948), new and used machinery, hardware, shop and office equipment will be auctioned.

(Details on page 10.) A five-room dwelling with bath, belonging to the Niobrara Valley Electric Membership corporation, will be sold at auction on Saturday, April 2, in O'Neill; also a four-room frame dwelling belonging to Fred Saunto. (Details

on page 7.) Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Lamb will offer their O'Neill residence, building lots and personal prop- those participating in scholarship erty at public auction on Satur- examinations sponsored by the day, April 16. (The Thorin-Bow- University of Nebraska. Taking ker Auction Service will be in the examinations were Frances charge and details may be found Pavlik, Thomas Cerny and Elaine Wirth. To qualify for the tests, in subsequent issues.)

KICKED BY COW

ATKINSON-Mrs. F. E. Skudla was taken to the Atkinson hospital Tuesday evening, suffering from bruises. She was kicked and strong of Butte is serving as trampled by a cow in a farm ac- substitute teacher in district 8. cident. Extent of her injuries had east of here, this week. Miss Dornot been determined Wednesday thea Anderson, the regular teachmorning. But her condition was er, underwent a major operation described as "good".



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O'Neill, Nebr., Thursday, March 31, 1955.

Vet Police Officer Is Dead at 55

Heart Ailment Fatal p.m., by a neighbor, Forest 'Walt' Calkins; Rites Wednesday

Walter O. Calkins, 55, former O'Neill chief of police and veteran member of the police department, died about 11 o'clock Sunday night, March 27, shortly after arrival at St. Anthony's hospital. He had suffered a heart ailment and had been in failing health since December, 1953.

Mr. Calkins had reported for patrol duty as usual at 7 p.m. Behe hospital where he died.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m., Wednesday, March O'Neillites will go to the polls 30, from the Methodist church. Tuesday, April 5, in what prom- An overflow crowd attended the ises to be one of the liveliest mu- rites—the church's main auditorium was unable to accommodate There will be two slates for the large crowd. Burial was in nayor and city council positions. Prospect Hill cemetery. Rev. W. The first slate to file for office B. Smith, church pastor, officiat- tion. via the petition method includes: ed.

L. C. Walling, for mayor; M. J. Members of the city council Golden (incumbent), for city were pallbearers—Emmett Crabb, sent is regional director of educa council, First ward; H. E. Coyne, Joseph Stutz, M. J. Golden, L. M. tion of the Missouri Province of for city council, Second ward; Merriman, Marvin Johnson and Jesuit Fathers. He supervises 11

> The late Walter Ozies Calkins, son of Lora and Eva Dickinson Calkins, was born September 8, 1899, on a farm near

ber of the family. Except for a short time spent in Iowa, the late Mr. Calkins was a continuous resident of the O'-Neill vicinity. On October 17, 1927, he married Miss Lettie Mae Strong at Salix, Ia. They became

O'Neill. He was the oldest mem-

blessings of a group known as the O. Mr. Calkins was a trucker and O'Neill Taxpayers' league, which is opposing the 55-thousand-dol- farmer in the O'Neill vicinity for lar street-widening issue, which many years and joined the police the present city council has con- department in 1946. He served as If the trials are considered suc- tracted for in order to keep U.S. a plainclothes patrolman on night lighways 20 and 281 on location duty for several years.

The socalled first slate has the the parents of one son-Raymond

Following the death of his brother, Police Chief Chester Calkins, on March 7, 1952, Walter was elevated to police series of advertisements in defense

> The late Mr. Calkins was known for his prowess in boxing and wrestling circles in this area when he was a younger man. Survivors include: Widow—Let-

ie; son-Raymond O. of O'Neill; grandchildren-Dawn Rae, Rena Lee and Lettie Lorraine Calkins; brother-Fred of Portland, Ore.; sister-Mrs. Claire (Etta) Hanser of Portland, Ore.; uncle-Harold The regular voting places will Riley of O'Neill; aunts - Mrs. Charles Sanford and Mrs. George be used. First ward-Courthouse Van Every, both of O'Neill.

Among those from a distance here for the funeral were Fred Calkins of Portland; Mrs. Claire Hansen of Portland; Mrs. Merle Conley of Midwest, Wyo.; Mrs. Joseph Prokop of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. George Scholte of Plainview; Mr. and Mrs. William Knock of Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. Dean ATKINSON-The voters of this Van Every of Omaha; Marvin city will go to the polls Tuesday, Van Every of Grand Island; Mrs. April 5, to elect several city of- Walter Spangler of Ewing; Mrs. ficials and three members of the Harley Miller of Neligh; Mrs. Ralph Theye of Neligh.

Although oranges were more (now serving by appointment to ago, apples now are usually the fill the vacancy created by the more expensive.



Reaches England

A/2c Duane Miller (above), radio technician with the air force, arrived in England March been stationed in Huston, Tex., for two years. His wife, the former Doris Smith, with their two Devall. children, Kenny and Scott, are residing in O'Neill. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Miller of Emmet. His address is: A/2c Duane C. Miller AFin the Lynch hospital last week. APO 198, New York, N.Y.

Farm Home Burns While Couple Away

ROYAL—The two-story farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Timmerman, who live seven miles northwest of Royal, was destroyed by fire with all its contents Wednesday evening, March 23. Mr. and Mrs. Timmerman were in O'Neill at the time and the blaze was discovered about 5:30 Maple. By that time the fire had too much headway to be stopped.

There are no telephones in the vicinity and firemen could not be

All clothing and other posses-Some insurance was carried. Mrs. Timmerman is the former Marie Gallagher, daughter of Mrs. Julia Gallagher of O'Neill.

Special Training Sought by Students

Notes Changes

Rev. Eugene F. Gallagher, S.J., a native of O'Neill and a son of the late Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Gallagher, has been named a consultant to President Eisenhower's white house conference on educa-

Father Gallagher, who headquarters at St. Louis, Mo., at present is regional director of educa Third ward.

The second slate to go on file, lin's chapel between 3 p.m., Tues-liso by petition, includes: Alva day and the funeral bour. university, Marquette university, Regis college and others.

Father Gallagher tours the 11 schools under his supervision each year to survey curriculum and assist in future planning.

He noted that the student of today is a more serious-minded individual than the ones of former years.

He says, "the pressure of the times and world events, plus the realization that the world is daily becoming more specialized, makes each college man aware that he must utilize his college years to the fullest in order to compete."

Father Gallagher said the schools under his supervision are corner. constantly adjusting to changing needs and abilities of the students. He pointed out these Missouri province schools are faced with the necessity of determining whether they will keep their present facilities, in a time of rapidly expanding enrollments, and thereby be extremely selective in admitting new students, or expand to fill the needs of those desiring admittance.

Father Gallagher's brother John R. Gallagher, is an O'Neill

Native of Ireland

Nora O'Connell, 80, Holt Pioneer

ATKINSON-Miss Nora O'Connell, about 80, who was born in Ireland and came to the United States as a young girl, died about 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 30, at the Maroney nursing home. She had been in failing health for some time.

Funeral services are tentatively scheduled for Friday.

The late Miss O'Connell, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John For city clerk: Roy F. Griffin expensive than apples 45 years O'Connell, was reared on a farm and spent most of her life in Holt county. She made her home with her sister, Miss Nellie, until the latter died seven years ago.

> Funeral services are tentativey scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday, April 1, at St. Joseph's Catholic church. Burial will be in St. Joseph's cemetery. A rosary will be offered tonight

(Thursday) at 8 o'clock at Seger's Survivors include: Brother -Timothy O'Connell of Atkinson; several nephews and nieces.

11 FFA'ers Going

Eleven members of the O'Neill the state for a half-century. high school Future Farmers of Most of the Snelsons' descend-America chapter will be in Lin- ants were present in April, 1950, coln today (Thursday) Friday when the couple observed their FFA convention.

Those who will accompany the odist church parlors. Edward Krugman, Elmore Blain, are not planning to travel to At-James Johnson, David Page, kinon for the 65th celebration.

Pvt. Billy Lyons left Ft. Ord, Calif., Saturday for Camp Kilmer, N.J., from where he will Lyons.

The seniors of St. Mary's academy presented "Seven Cinderellas" to large crowds Sunday and Monday evenings. The camera caught this dramatic action during Monday's presentation: Left-to-right: Terry Donlin, Jeannie Cole (in maid's uniform), Bennie Fleming (seated, with

SMA Seniors Present 'Seven Cinderellas'

mustache), Peggy Degan, Sandra Harper (weeping), Miriam Troshynski, Jerry Cuddy, Mary Lou Uhl (maid in background), Mary Ellen Froelich (weeping), and John Connot.-O'Neill Photo Co.

Snelsons to Mark 65th Wedding

(Photo at right)

ATKINSON - Mr. and Mrs. James Snelson, who were married at Albion on April 7, 1890, will observe their 65th wedding anniversary at their home here on Sunday, April 3. The Snelsons will receive relatives and friends at an open-house between 2 and

They make their home on South Main street here with their daughter, Mrs. Opal Vargason. The dwelling is located two blocks south of the First National bank

Mr. Snelson was born November 8, 1866, at Oskaloosa, Ia. He is now 88 and is confined to a wheel chair most of the time. His wife was born January 16, 1874, at Warren, Ill.

Following their marriage at Albion, they resided at Genoa before taking a homestead nine miles northwest of Bartiett in 1905. They became the parents of nine children-eight daughters and one son-and all are living.

They lived near Amelia for about 10 years and for several years at Ewing. Mr. Snelson carried the mail in Holt county sandhills for a time, but has spent Dies in Atkinson hills for a time, but has most of his life on a farm.

They lived in the village of Amelia for a time before moving to five years. One year ago they | March 30. moved to Atkinson to be near their daughter, Mrs. Vargason.

Emel E. of Long Pine; Mrs. Ira ly activated. Other "brass" taking Dies After 5 - Year Rockford, Ida.; Mrs. Albert (Eth- Dey of Omaha, chief officer of Mrs. Delbert (Erma) Edwards of guard advisor in Nebraska; Lt.-Green of Veneta, Ore.; Mrs. Don- trative officer for the Nebraska ald (Velma) Huston of Sedro national guard, and others. Woolley, Wash.

There are 20 grandchildren and 37 great-grandchildren.

Two of Mr. Snelson's sisters are expected to be on hand for Sunday's observance-Mrs. Lulu Greenlee, 81, of Lexington, and Mrs. Olive Long, 74, of Genoa. Mr. Snelson has another sister, Mrs. Ella Sabin, 85, of Portland, Ore., who will be unable to at-

Mrs. Snelson has one sister, Mrs. James Sabin, 68, of Beverton, Ore., and one brother, Gilbert Wray 70, of Denver Colo. Neither expects to be in Atkinson for the celebration.

The Snelsons have been resito Lincoln Today dents of Nebraska for 70 years and have resided in this section of

and Saturday attending the state 60th wedding date at Long Pine. The affair was held in the Methvocational agriculture instructor, Their sons and daughters re-Pat Gallup, are Robert Burvial, siding on the West coast likewise

Kenneth Backhaus, Eugene Er- Mrs. Snelson's health has been mer, Donald Gruhn, Duane Boelt- "very good" up until recently, er, Bernard Lorenze and Bennett relatives explain. Mr. Snelson can walk about the house but is quite dependent upon the wheel chair.

TOLL ROADS COMING Besides the 1,200 miles of existleave from for Europe. Billy is ing U.S. toll roads there are 4,700 17349627, 406 Hq. Sqdn. A.B.G., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don O. miles authorized for future construction.



Mr. and Mrs. James Snelson . . . residents of Nebraska over

Company D Activated in Brief Ceremony Dittrick, both of Norfolk, are defending the city

Mrs. Emma N. Jonas

Rites Planned Today

Illness

ATKINSON-Funeral services

will be conducted at 2 p.m., today

(Thursday) from the Methodist

Jonas, 57, who died Tuesday,

March 29, in a Norfolk hospital.

She had suffered a five-year ill-

Rev. E. G. Hughes will officiate

cemetery. Palldearers will be

Clarence Greig, Byrl Beck, Harry

The late Mrs. Jonas was born

April 25, 1897. at Atkinson, a

daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs.

On September 18, 1944, she

married Charles Jonas at Atkin-

son. The couple resided on a farm

died when she was an infant.

five miles southwest of here.

Survivors inclde: Widower.

Nebraska's newest national guard unit came into being at 8 Long Pine where they spent about o'clock Wednesday evening,

In the presence of Maj.-Gen. Guy N. Henninger, state adjutant Their children are: Mrs. Gary general and guard commander, (Edna) Jones of Medford, Ore.; O'Neill's company D was formal-(Elsie) Goodwin of Long Pine; part and witnessing the informal Mrs. George (Hazel) Cutler of procedure included: Col. John el) Sanford of Red Bluff, Calif.; the Nebraska military district; Mrs. Opal Vargason of Atkinson; Col. J. J. Prokop, senior national Amelia; Mrs. Clifford (Thelma) | Col. Evar Peterson, top adminis-

> Earlier in the day Fifth army and Nebraska guard officers had inspected the O'Neill guard officer personnel-including Capt. J. L. McCarville, jr., the com-manding officer, and Lt. LaVern

Stevens, executive officer. Sixty enlisted men reported for duty. All were in civilian clothes except a number of transferees from existing guard units. It was a relatively brief public ceremony, witnessed by relatives and friends of guardsmen as well as civic

> Twins Out of Army-ATKINSON-Sgt. Bernard Troshynski and Cpl. Leonard Troshynski, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. August Troshynski of Atkinson, who were recently separated from the army, arrived at their parents' home last week. The Troshynski brothers had been in the army since early in 1953 and spent 18 months in Germany.

General Henninger . . . pleas-

Verdigre Will VERDIGRE-Supt. J. J. Van Hoff has announced that 20 seniors will be graduated from Verdigre high school May 10. He said that Dr. J. R. Johnson of Wayne State Teachers college will be the commencement speaker.

WD-Louis F Bartlett to Carl A Denton 2-14-55 \$5,666.65- 1/3 ed O'Neill qualified for a unit. Int in S1/2 14-31-15

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Seven Cents

Street Legal Battle into **Next Phase**

Demurrer, Publishing Technicality Project Issues Past Election

Another round in the controversy over whether or not two O'Neill streets should be widened to keep U.S. highways 20 and 281 running through town was initiated Friday in Holt county disrict court.

It involved a petition by C. J. Gatz and Jack Arbuthnot seeking to enjoin the city council from proceeding in the street-widening project in cooperation with the state highway department.

The two plaintiffs contended the city's contract with the state

is null and void. The matter was presented on a demurrer before Judge D. R. Mounts Friday, the defendants holding that Gatz and Arbuthnot had failed to state an action in their petition. Judge Mounts gave the defense two weeks in which to file a brief and allowed the plaintiffs another week to file an answering brief on the demurrer. The state highway department had planned to take bids April 1 on the widening of the two streets, insisting that the widening be done if U. S. highways 20 and 281 are to continue along their present routes through the O'Neill business district.

But the contract-letting scheduled for April 1 had to be called off and a new date established because preparation for letting had not been completed.

The Holt County Independent was to have published the notice to bidders for three consecutive

issues, but had published only A new series of notices to contractors has been authorized. New

date for opening bids at Lincoln will be Wednesday, April 20. The time granted by the court for filing of briefs in the matter projects it past the coming municipal election and makes it possible for the highway relocation issue to be a prime factor in the

campaign. There are two slates of candidates for the city offices, representing varying degrees of sentiment on the highway issue.

Round three in the running: legal hassle will come up in April-after the election.

The election will be held next Tuesday, April 5.

John R. Gallagher of O'Neill and Harold Connors of Greeley are attorneys for the plaintiffs; fending the city.

It was generally predicted Friday's round two court session would not be a full-dress trial, but a matter of getting down to bare points of law.

Bids Sought on 1.5 Miles

The state highway department will accept bids on Thursday, April 21, for resurfacing U.S. highways 20-281 from the west edge of O'Neill northward 1.5 miles to church for Mrs. Emma Neibauer ner. the O'Neill drive-in theater cor-

Work is expected to commence this summer.

Plan NYC Tripand burial will be in Wood Lawn

Mrs. Esther Harris and Mrs. John Conard of Emmet plan to leave Monday, April 4, for New Slaymaker, Perry Barnes, E. O. York City where they will visit Slaymaker and Charles Dvorak. a couple weeks with Mrs. Harris' daughter, Miss Ruth Harris.



This is The Frontier's annual spring opening edition. You'll tind the 16 pages in this issue jam-packed with latest spring and summer fashions . . . study these advertisements and you'll realize why O'Neill is the shopping center for north-central Nebraska and south - central South Dakota.