

68 Seniors in City's Schools to Graduate

Thorpe, Nebraska 'U' Educator, to Speak to OHS Class of '53

Thirty-six 1953 O'Neill high school seniors will hear a commencement address entitled, "Time Out," by Dr. N. F. Thorpe of the University of Nebraska at commencement exercises at 8 p.m., Tuesday, May 19, at the school auditorium.

Selection of Doctor Thorpe as the guest speaker was announced this week by City School Supt. D. E. Nelson.

Doctor Thorpe, who is director of teacher training and associate professor of secondary education at the university and is principal of the Teachers' college prep school, served three years in the air force during World War II.

He graduated from Waco high school, received his bachelor of arts degree from Nebraska State Teachers college at Peru, and earned both his masters and doctor of philosophy degrees from the University of Nebraska.

He has headed schools at Panama, Weston, Silver Creek and Wayne every period of 15 years.

The 1953 OHS seniors have chosen the American beauty rose as their class flower; blue and white as class colors, and the motto selected is: "Tonight we launch, where shall we anchor?"

The 36 seniors are: Margaret Alm, Ronnie Buckmaster, Joan Binkerd, Gary Buckmaster, Robert Carroll, Pat Clinkenbeard, Mary Lou Conard, Eddie Davis, Darlene Dunkelberger, David Eby, Norma Lou Foreman, Larry Fox, Lyle Fox, Chester Hicks, Jack Hollenbeck, Friscilla Holsclaw, Galen Hull, Mary Jane McClellan.

Lynn McKay, Leslie McKim, Elma Neal, Ray E. Passeeux, Marlene Peterson, Doris Pierson, Ed Price, Margaret Redd, LaVonne Rieck, Elizabeth Schaffer, Mary Ann Schaefer, Paul Shelhamer, Glenna Strong, Ethel Mae Summers, Marlene Waring, Alice Young, Charles Porter, Edna Farris.

Members of the eighth grade class are: Carol Ann Boies, Charlotte Estenson, Gordon Fox, Mardelle Gaskill, Sylvia Harder, Ronald Hasenflug, Carole Johnson, Mardelle Johnson, Merle Jones, Alta Mae Lyons, Sharon Miner, Skip McKenny, Kenneth McKim, Lorna Marcellus, Gary Nelson.

Joyce Oetter, Laura Oetter, James Reynolds, Richard Shelhamer, Janice Sipes, John Smith, Alice Sparks, Barbara Strong, Larry Young, Dona Jean Summers, Willard Walton, Gerald Wheeler, Arnold Wyant, Glenda Warner, Helen Weke.

The commencement program includes the professional, "Tannhauser," by Wagner, as played by Rev. John Thomas, pastor of the Church of Christ; vocal selections, "May Day Carol," an English folk song by Taylor, and "Smoke Gets in Your Eyes," as sung by the girls' octette.

Superintendent Nelson will present the Fair and Square club awards and eighth grade diplomas. Elizabeth Schaffer will be heard in a trombone solo, "Morceau Symphonique," by Guilman.

Principal Joel Lyman will present scholarships, and Mary Ann Schroeder will be heard in a vocal solo, "Without a Song," by Youmans.

Doctor Thorpe's address will be followed by a cornet trio in "The Three Trumpeters," by G. Agostini.

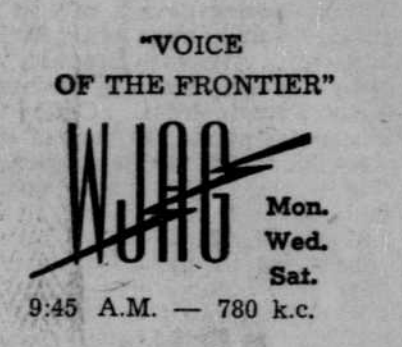
Prof. Marvin Miller will present the class of 1953, there will be the presentation of diplomas after which Reverend Thomas will offer benediction.

Music from "Tannhauser" will provide the recessional march.

Douglas Hired for Water, Sewer Job

The city council in session Tuesday evening engaged Don Douglas of Benkelman to supervise the municipal water, sewer and electric services.

Mr. Douglas is married and has two children. He was reared at Hageler and has had municipal experience at Madison and Benkelman. He will commence here May 22.



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Frickel Dies; Rites Friday at Atkinson

Celia Farmer Stricken Enroute Home from Sioux City Hospital

ATKINSON—Conrad Frickel, sr., retired Celia farmer who had just completed construction of a new home, died early Tuesday, May 12, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Allan Marquardt, who resides north of Norfolk.

The late Mr. Frickel, who was over 70-years-old, had been hospitalized three weeks in Sioux City and had spent three days with Mrs. Marquardt prior to returning to his home.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m., Friday, May 15, from the Presbyterian church in Atkinson with Rev. R. W. Olson of O'Neill, pastor of Atkinson's Immanuel Lutheran church officiating.

The late Mr. Frickel was a member of Immanuel church. He was born in Russia of German-Russian parentage.

The family settled in Lincoln in 1905, coming to Holt county in 1913. They became the parents of 10 children.

The family included a total of four sons and six daughters. Mr. Frickel's first wife died May 20, 1934.

On April 9, 1947, he married Bertha McMasters. The Frickels had just completed their new home, located 10 1/2 miles north and one mile west of Atkinson.

Survivors include: Widow; sons—Alec and Herman, both of Atkinson, who reside on the home place; Conrad and Victor, also of Atkinson; daughters—Mrs. C. L. (Mollie) Spalding of Yoncalla, Ore., who had visited her father here immediately before his fatal illness.

Funeral services will be conducted at 2 p.m., today (Thursday) from the Methodist church with Rev. E. G. Hughes officiating.

Burial will be in Wood Lawn cemetery. Pallbearers chosen are Gib Morgan, Roy Griffin, C. J. Prussa, Frank Deserve, J. J. Carroll and George Venzel.

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RED FOX SIGHTED

Simon Bosh, Chicago & North Western section foreman, reported sighting a red fox on Tuesday, May 5. He and James Boyle were riding a section car near the old Con Keyes farm when they saw the full-grown fox.

'53 Beauty Contest Planned by Lions

The O'Neill Lions club again this year will sponsor a beauty contest among young O'Neill lovelies.

Entries will be judged on Tuesday evening, May 26, at a banquet in Christ Lutheran church basement, starting at 7 p.m., according to Lions President Elgin Ray.

At the same time the Lions will entertain their wives and lady friends as guests.

11 Registrants to Report on May 21

Eleven Holt county selective service registrants have been ordered to report for induction on Thursday, May 21.

Raymond L. Luben, Harlan L. Morsbach and Warren J. Gallagher, all of Inman; Wayne W. Radcliff and Carroll D. Marcus, both of Stuart; Harold J. Rotherham, Ivan O. Wright, Jim G. Good and Donald E. Spahn, all of Ewing; Gene W. Lierman of Amelia, and Donald W. Meusch of Spencer.

The following will report for preinduction physical examinations on Monday, May 18: Dale O. Jarvis, George J. Ramold, Donald J. Straka, Lawrence E. Engler, John R. Dobrovoly, John H. Osborne, Robert D. Tushla and Donald D. Livingston, all of Atkinson; Donald D. Kloppenberg of Emmet; Richard E. Tomlinson and John Carney, both of O'Neill; John D. Langan of Spencer; Kenneth L. Moore, Harold H. Nielsen and Donald D. Lines, all of Inman; James O. Ballantyne and Maurice E. Waring, both of Page; Elmer L. Schwager of Ewing, and James J. Hamik of Stuart.

Thomas Dunn, 71, Dies Suddenly

ATKINSON — Thomas Dunn, sr., 71, veteran employee of the Morgan hardware firm, died on Tuesday afternoon, May 12. Death came suddenly to the veteran of 37 years in the hardware business.

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'The Big Show' cast (above), composed of Mrs. Harry Petersen's 1953 O'Neill public school kindergarten class, provided rare entertainment for a thousand persons Friday night with a circus that rivaled the big ones.

The Big Show Thrills Audience

By a Staff Writer There was a big circus in O'Neill Friday. And, in many respects, it was better than the traditional circuses you read about.

One thousand persons gathered early to avoid a clash with the "standing room only" sign as the O'Neill public school kindergarten pupils provided a rare one hour and 20 minute treat for the audience.

Music and words for "The Big Show" were written by Mrs. Ralph Gerber of Lexington, wife of a former pastor of First Presbyterian church here.

The 43-member cast was under the tutelage of Mrs. Harry Petersen, kindergarten teacher. Stage settings and props were colorful and elaborate and rivaled the big ones for details.

The junior band under the direction of Charles B. Houser preceded the show with several selections and provided appropriate accompaniment for songs and stage action.

The master-of-ceremonies was Wayne Wiley, who announced each event with professional poise. There were balloon sellers, ticket and candy hawkers, clowns, toy animals, gilded cages, cowboys, Indians, trapeze girls, a fat lady, a bride and bridegroom, a strong man, singers and what have you.

An enthusiastic audience proclaimed that "The Big Show" had all the realism and thrills of the big time big top.

Richard ("Rickey") Hill, 6, dressed as a clown, came out into the audience and promptly shinnied up a rope that was dropped from the ceiling.

He soared to the rafters while the dumfounded spectators gasped and held their breath.

"Rickey" the clown prefers to descend a rope headfirst, but school authorities restricted that by confining him to a feet-first descent.

Following the performance a kindergarten graduation rite took place with Supt. D. E. Nelson distributing diplomas.

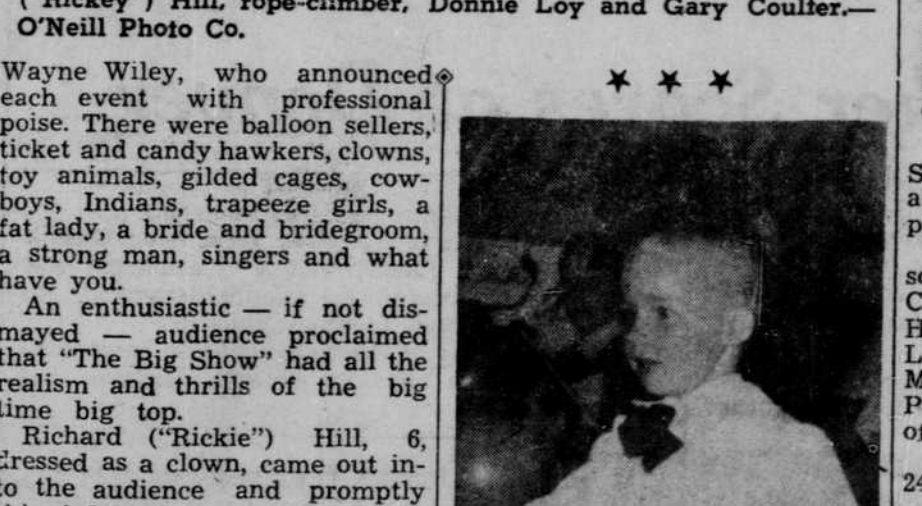
Members of the class presented a gift to Mrs. Petersen. Mothers of many of the children assisted backstage.

Attending the presentation were Mrs. Gerber and her husband, who were overnight guests in the William Artus home.

Visit parents—Airman 2/c and Mrs. Charles Marston, of Waco Tex., are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harden Anspach and Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Marston, of Walnut, during his 3 weeks furlough.



Three clowns who wowed the audience were Richard ("Rickey") Hill, rope-climber, Donnie Loy and Gary Coulter.—O'Neill Photo Co.



Ring Master Wayne Wiley... proper poise and inflections.—O'Neill Photo Co.

Bee Business Booms

Hybrid bees, like hybrid corn, are the going thing nowadays in the bee industry.

Bees usually swarm between 9 a.m., and 1 p.m., and the swarming fever overrides all other ideas and swarming bees will seldom sting.

A queen bee, the only female with the necessary equipment, can lay fertile eggs at will and they'll turn out to be drones or neuters.

These and other bee footnotes were presented Monday evening by Charles Bellin, who was a guest at the regular monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce held at Slat's cafe.

Mr. Bellin told the members that bees have been his hobby and now the miniature industry is keeping all members

Bond Issue at Stuart Gets Okay

Vote Overwhelmingly Favors 5-Classroom Addition and Repairs

STUART—A record vote was cast Tuesday in Stuart when voters went to the polls to overwhelmingly okay a 110 - thousand-dollar bond issue for building an addition on the Stuart school.

Three hundred seventy-one votes were cast in favor of the bond issue, and 81 votes were cast against the proposals.

Electoral judges reported that four ballots were spoiled and could not be counted.

The proposal provided for the construction of an addition to the present building and also provided for some repair on the new portion of the present building.

The addition is to be a one-story affair consisting of five new classrooms, and office for the superintendent and a principal and also for rest rooms in the east wing.

Renovation of the old building includes the establishment of a work shop in the present basement, on the east side, and an all-purpose room in the northwest corner of the basement.

Williamson Burial Wednesday at Page

PAGE—A retired Holt county farmer, William Fremont Williamson, 79, died suddenly about 10 a.m. Sunday, May 10, at his home in Page. He had not been ill.

Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m., Wednesday, May 13, from the Biglin Brothers funeral chapel with Rev. George Francis, pastor of the Page Wesleyan Methodist church, officiating.

Burial was in the Page cemetery. Pallbearers were Soren Sorenson, Arnold Stewart, Robert Gray, Vern Hunter, Don Schneider and Lester Riege.

The late Mr. Williamson was born September 24, 1873, at Delta, Ga., son of William F. and Frances Adams Williamson. He farmed near Iona, S.D., before coming to Holt county in 1931.

On December 6, 1893, at Platte, S.D., he married Celestine Elizabeth Leedom. They became the parents of seven children.

Survivors include: Widow; sons -- William L. of Sonoma, Calif.; Lynn B. of Elgin, Ore.; Harold E. of Stuart; and Joseph L. of Hazlett, Ida.; daughters -- Mrs. I. O. (Florence) Wood of Page and Mrs. Celestine Leach of Bellingham, Wash.

One son, Reece E., died May 24, 1936.

Gateway Motel Opens May 18

The new Gateway Motel, an elaborate 21-unit tourist court which has been under construction several months at the east edge of the city, will formally open Monday, May 18, it was announced this week by Mr. and Mrs. Dick Tomlinson, owners.

An open - house visitors' day will be announced next week.

TOWNSHIP LIBRARY SOON

ATKINSON—A township library is in the making at Atkinson. Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Weller have offered to match, dollar-for-dollar, contributions from residents of the community. The offer is good for 30 days.

Members of the library committee estimate contributions from the public are needed in the neighborhood of \$1,500 or \$2,000. With Weller's matching of the gifts, Atkinson will get a modern, fireproof library building right away.

The speaker told how the population in a stand can increase from about seven thousand at this season of the year to as high as 130-thousand.

Care of bees is constant. The bee men are obliged to pinch out the queen cells. Restricting the number of queens prevents swarming. The swarming season lasts until mid-July.

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'How Much Is the Doggie in the Window?'

When more than five hundred Holt county rural school pupils assembled in two groups and practiced singing recently, The Frontier camera captured these interesting shots. Top panel shows upper grade pupils from over 60 schools singing, "How Much Is That Doggie in the Window?" while Merton V. Welch of Norfolk

directs and roams up-and-down the aisle. Mrs. Etha Walters of Chambers was in charge of the lower-grade pupils (below). The choruses sang Wednesday at the eighth grade promotion exercises held here.—The Frontier Photo.

