



Stocker-Feeder Grand Champ

Nick Hammerlain, who lives seven miles north of O'Neill, proudly exhibits "Joe", an Angus calf which was judged grand champion in the stocker-feeder 4-H division at the Holt county fair at Chambers. Nick is the 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Hammerlain. (Other fair photos on page 5.)—The Frontier Photo.

Tractor Upset Kills Young Lynch Man

Thomas Joyce, 75, Dies Suddenly

Lifelong Resident of Holt

Funeral services were conducted at 9 a.m., Saturday, September 5, from St. Patrick's Catholic church for Thomas J. Joyce, 75, lifelong resident of the O'Neill community, who died Wednesday night, September 2. He had not been ill and he died at the home of Mrs. Edna Coyne. Upon becoming ill, Mr. Joyce summoned Dr. W. F. Finley to his apartment. Very Rev. Timothy O'Sullivan administered the last rites of the church before Mr. Joyce died.

The late Mr. Joyce was born in this community, the only son of the late William and Ann Joyce, who were Irish immigrants and Holt county pioneers.

He was engaged in farming until the years of World War I, when he volunteered for service in the coast guard at Los Angeles, Calif., harbor. He was awarded a citation for meritorious service from the governor of California.

"Tom" Joyce, as he was best-known, spent most of his life in the O'Neill vicinity. He never married. Survivors include: Sisters—Anne and Margaret, both of Omaha; Grace and Agnes, both of Hollywood, Calif.; niece—Sister M. George of O'Neill; nephew—Leonard Shoemaker of O'Neill. Burial was in Calvary cemetery under the direction of Biglin Brothers. Pallbearers were H. E. Coyne, P. C. Donohoe, M. H. Horiskey, Frank Froelich, Andy Clark, Jack Arbutnot, Ben Gilligan and J. B. Grady.

Osborne Appliance Opening Saturday

A new electric and gas appliance and television-radio store is opening in O'Neill Saturday under the firm name of Osborne's. The firm will feature CBS-Columbia television, radio and electric appliances and Servel and Roper gas appliances. The store is located in the Odd Fellows building, formerly occupied by Jacobson's. Owner is D. M. Osborne, who also owns the Osborne Shoe store.

GETS APPOINTMENT

Rev. Lyle Mewmaw has received the appointment of new pastor of the Methodist churches of Page and Inman. Reverend Mewmaw formerly was pastor of churches at Wilsonville and Hendley. Announcement of the appointment was made this week by Rev. J. LaVern Jay, superintendent of the O'Neill district.

Next Chamber Meet at Country Club—The Chamber of Commerce meeting will be held on Monday evening at the Country club. All wives, husbands and employees are invited to attend, President G. C. DeBacker said.

LYNCH—Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m., for Ramon A. Dahlberg, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dahlberg, who died about 11:30 a.m., Monday, September 7, from injuries suffered when he was pinned under a rear wheel of an upset tractor.

He had been raking hay on a hill on the Dahlberg farm, seven miles northwest of Lynch. It was believed the sod gave way and slipped, causing the machine to overturn.

The young man's father, who was on the other side of the hill, rushed to the scene and another tractor hurriedly was brought into use to pull the overturned tractor off Dahlberg. But he died shortly afterward from internal injuries.

Raymond graduated from Lynch high school in 1951 and taught in a Boyd county rural school for one term. He was assisting his father this fall and awaiting induction into the armed forces.

He was the second member of the 1951 Lynch high school senior class to meet a violent death. Deming Bjornsen was killed May 5, 1951, when struck by a bolt of lightning.

Young Dahlberg's survivors include: Parents; brothers—Vernon, who is in the army stationed at Huntsville, Ala., and Albert, at home; sister—Mary, at home. Vernon reached Lynch late Monday night.

Another Milestone for 'Grandma' Hull

Sunday, September 6, marked the 98th birthday anniversary of "Grandma" Sarah Hull. One-hundred and sixty-five descendants and friends gathered for the jasket dinner at Mrs. Hull's home northeast of O'Neill. Nine of her children and their families were present. The afternoon was spent taking pictures and visiting. Ice cream and cake were served.

Ex-Countyans in L.A. to Hold Picnic

The annual picnic of former Holt county residents in the Los Angeles, Calif., area will be held Sunday, September 13, in Griffith park near the big fire place. The event annually attracts a large crowd of former residents, former Nebraskans and Nebraskans who are visiting in the area.

By F. Nightengale is chairman of publicity for the Holt County Picnic association.

WEATHER SUMMARY			
	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Sept. 3	72	51	.24
Sept. 4	71	43	
Sept. 5	81	41	
Sept. 6	81	47	
Sept. 7	83	48	
Sept. 8	88	53	
Sept. 9	95	54	.19
Total			.43

State Patrolman Robert Gude left Monday for Ashland to attend a three-day safety patrol camp.

Researchers: 'Thanks'

Air Force-Cambridge Research Center 230 Albany St. Cambridge, Mass. 9 September, 1953

To the Citizens of O'Neill, Nebraska
On behalf of the scientists, civilian employees of the air force and military personnel participating in the Great Plains Turbulence Field Project, we wish to thank the citizens of O'Neill for their warm-hearted reception.

The many courtesies so freely extended by the people of O'Neill have delighted and sometimes overwhelmed us. We think you're great!

Signed: BEN DAVIDSON, Project Coordinator
MAJ. OSCAR J. TIBBETS, Military Commander

"VOICE OF THE FRONTIER"
WJAB
Mon. Wed. Sat.
9:45 A.M. — 780 k.c.

THE FRONTIER

TWELVE PAGES

PAGES 1 TO 12

North-Central Nebraska's BIG Newspaper

O'Neill, Nebr., Thursday, Sept. 10, 1953.

Seven Cents

Machines for Paving Reach City

Work Starting Next Week in 2 Districts; Other Petitions Out

Men and machines to be employed in the construction of eight lineal blocks of concrete paving on streets adjoining the principal business district have been rolling into town this week. A spokesman for the Dobson Bros. Construction company of Lincoln, holders of contracts for paving, curbing and guttering streets in two improvement districts, said work would start "about Monday."

Meanwhile, some survey details are being worked out by firm officials in cooperation with City Engineer James Thorburn, and preliminary work is being done on storm sewers.

Dobson's also holds the main contract for O'Neill's new municipal swimming pool. Excavation has been completed and footings are being built. The Atkinson Sand & Gravel company, holder of a lesser contract, has the bath house well underway.

City water mains are being tapped to furnish water for the pool, which is being built in the center of Ford's park in the west end of the city. Some of the dirt from the excavation will be used for fill. Balance of the dirt probably will be used on low streets.

Meanwhile, petitions are being circulated for 14 blocks of additional paving. There are approximately 107 eligible signers in the proposed pavement district and the two persons circulating the petitions—Frank Clemens and Melvin Klingler—indicate they lack only seven or eight names before filing the document with the city clerk.

The petition had not been filed late Wednesday.

The proposed work starts at Madison street (New Deal corner), goes two blocks south, then east to Fourth street on Fremont.

The petition also asks that Everett street be paved from Madison to Third to link with paving now under contract, also two blocks south from the present paving on First, Second and Third streets.

The petitions do not specify the type of hardsurfacing or width, leaving the decision to the council provided sufficient names are secured.

Cecil Waggoner Joins Gilligans

Cecil Waggoner, a 1952 graduate of the University of Nebraska college of pharmacy, has joined the Gilligan Rexall drug store staff as a pharmacist. His home is at Loup City and he has been employed since graduation at Bridgeport.

Mrs. Waggoner is formerly from Butte. They have one child.

REPRESENTATIVE COMING

A representative of the Nebraska state employment service will make his next visit to O'Neill on Thursday, September 17, between 2 and 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Originally he had been scheduled to be here Tuesday, September 15.



The Marlatts . . . early settlers. — O'Neill Photo Co.

3,200 Acres Perkins Land to Be Sold

CHAMBERS—Glen H. Adams, executor of the estate of the late Louise B. Perkins, said Wednesday he would offer 3,200 acres of Southfork valley Perkins land at administrator's sale on Friday, October 2, at the front door of the Chambers State bank.

The land, accumulated by the late Daniel and Louise Perkins, will be offered in seven tracts, he said, and there are improvements on four of the tracts.

The real estate to be sold is located in the general vicinity 17 to 19 miles south of O'Neill near the Brady corner. Julius D. Cronin of O'Neill is attorney for the estate.

THORIN IN HOSPITAL

Navy Chief Duane Thorin, former Holt county recently released after being held prisoner by the reds for 19 months, is now in a Tokyo, Japan, hospital receiving treatment for a leg infection.

Boyd Couple in Golden Wedding

Romance Begins in Country Store

SPENCER—A dinner was held Sunday, August 30, at the Frank Look home in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Marlatt, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Thursday, September 3. A group of about 30 relatives and close friends attended at the Look residence.

They have lived in the Spencer vicinity all of their married life and are the parents of three children—Delbert of Norfolk, Mrs. Ivan (Marguerite) Hiatt of Bristow and Mrs. Frank (Bernice) Look of Spencer.

Mr. Marlatt was born April 24, 1878, in Boswell, Ind. He came to Nebraska with his parents, Perry and Anna Marlatt, when Marlin, the oldest son, was 13-years-old.

The Hoosier family came to O'Neill in a special emigrant car and the head of the family was the first man to file for a homestead in Spencer township.

Two and one-half years later Marlin Marlatt and his father were driving about 10 head of cattle from Boyd county to O'Neill to be sold. Mr. Marlatt vividly remembers that day, because Barrett Scott, ex-Holt county treasurer, was returned that day from Mexico for trial.

Mrs. Marlatt's maiden name was Gertrude Peck. She was born November 1, 1877, at Blakesburg, Ia. Having completed her education, she had come west to visit her sister, the late Mrs. Elmer Dorothy, who was residing in Spencer.

The couple met in a general merchandise store. Their first date was at a Methodist church affair.

The Marlatts farmed for many years near Spencer and now reside on a place three miles south of Spencer. Mr. Marlatt was township supervisor and a member of the rural school board of education for many years. They are members of the Methodist church.

"My ancestors came from France way back when," Mr. Marlatt jokingly answered when asked about his family background.

A brief program featured the observance at the Look home, including songs, skits, solos and the reading of a poem written (Continued on page 6)



The Eddys and Mr. Ide . . . broken-hearted.—The Frontier Photo.

'Copter Crash Kin in Pilgrimage

By a Staff Writer
The broken-hearted father and mother of one of the airmen killed in the July 30 helicopter crash here and the bereaved father of another met here late Saturday.

And they made a pilgrimage to the crash site, located about six miles northeast of O'Neill. Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Eddy of Clarington, O., parents of the late Sgt. Donald H. Eddy, arrived first, traveling about 1,300 miles by car. Mr. Eddy, mayor of the small Ohio river town along the West Virginia border, simply locked up his appliance store and decided to come to O'Neill to learn first-hand the details of the tragedy that wiped out the life of their only child.

Donald was a 6 ft. 4 in. good-looking kid, who had reached O'Neill only four days before the accident. He drove out from Hanscomb field, near Bedford, Mass., to join up with other 'copter crewmen here, stopping off at Clarington a few days to see his parents and to date his best girl friend.

Don enjoyed a fine reputation around Clarington as a topflight basketball player and a potent baseball pitcher. He had college scholarships awaiting him upon his return to civilian life after his air force tour.

He became intensely interested in his 'copter work and the research assignments being handed the crew and had decided to give up baseball for the summer.

Promptly upon arrival in O'Neill, big, long Don Eddy was urged to pitch for the air force unit baseball team being assembled. When the ace pitcher died the plans for a team were abandoned.

The grief-stricken Mrs. Eddy was having a difficult time recalling herself to the reality of what had happened. At her insistence, they started west.

The broken-hearted father of the late S/Sgt. Robert Ide, the 'copter's crew chief, set out from Scranton, Pa., by train about midnight last Thursday. William A. Ide, 71, rather hastily announced to his wife and three other members of the family at home that he was heading for O'Neill.

He rode continuously, making the final lap from Omaha to O'Neill by bus. He was disheveled and tired from the long journey.

The Eddys and Mr. Ide immediately were brought together by Gerald Gill of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Cal Stewart, editor of The Frontier.

"It's tough, brother," said Mr. Ide, extending his hand to Mr. Eddy.

Mr. Ide planned to leave O'Neill Sunday morning. The Eddys also planned to leave Sunday. The sorrowing parents dined together several times, they took walks at Amelia (escorted by Rev. and Mrs. C. D. Ankney of Chambers), they witnessed actual operations at the wind test site, and they found some measure of consolation in learning first-hand that the wind study here is of vital long-range importance.

The Eddys and Mr. Ide apparently liked O'Neill as a town, although their hearts and others, too, were crushed when that three-ton 'copter plummeted to earth with a zending crash near here on that fateful July 30 morn.

After watching the research operations until a late hour Monday night, the visitors from Ohio and Pennsylvania retired and rose early Tuesday, departing their separate ways. They hastened their plans, but the visit and companionship helped to heal the wounds.

The Eddys said they were going first to the Black Hills, then to Minocqua, Wis., where they would visit another set of parents bereaved by the same crash. They would call on Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mapes, parents of the late A/2c Jerry Mapes. They said, too, they would soon call on Mr. and Mrs. Archie M. Gasque of Conway, S.C., par-

ents of the 'copter's copilot, Lt. Francis Gasque.

The Eddys took along several sets of crash pictures from The Frontier's photo files and also a number of copies of the paper.

Mr. Ide, father of 10 children and himself a disabled veteran of World War I, is a colorful man. His background includes experiences in Alaska following the Klondike rush, editing a newspaper in Washington state, lecturer, logging camps, lumber mills, farming and in later years he has become known around Scranton—a city of 150,000 persons—as "Pop" Ide, the stamp man. For a hobby he has been discussing stamps on WQAM, Scranton radio station, and creates stamp interest among disabled soldiers.

His son, Robert, who lost his life here, was the second oldest son in the family. The oldest boy fought in the Pacific and died four years ago from service-incurred disease. Two other members of the family have been in the service and his daughter was secretary to the British consul in New York City during World War II.

"Pop" Ide and his wife didn't know until after the accident that Bob had a Boy Scout troop in South Boston. Bob and his fiancée were planning to announce a wedding date. Bob enlisted in the air force 7½ years ago. He taught mechanics for a long time and had 1,300 hours on 'copter engines.

The replacement 'copter dropped smoke bombs from overhead in the last 24-hour grind for the project. An L-20 single-engine plane streaked low over the site laden with its weather recording instruments. Military vehicles rumbled along the road doing business as usual as the research project was nearing its successful climax.

And the parents of two of the six 'copter crash victims visited and revisited the burned-out patch of prairie land a half-mile north of the operations site.

They picked up bits of the wreckage, fondled them carefully, and planned to take them away with them. Mr. Ide plucked a wild flower and tucked it into his coat pocket. "Bobbie's mother will have a good cry when she gets this," he said.

George Bressler Dies in California

Owner of Grocery Here Until 1933

George Bressler, 81, a resident of the O'Neill community between 1915 and 1934, died Sunday, September 6, at El Monte, Calif., where he had been residing for a number of years. The late Mr. Bressler had not been seriously ill.

Funeral arrangements had not been completed Tuesday evening. The late Mr. Bressler was born at Wisner December 3, 1871. He was reared in Cuming county. He was married February 5, 1896, to Miss Etta Dibble at Plainview.

The Bresslers lived for several years near Dixon, Mo., later moved to South Dakota and Nebraska. For many years he was in the Methodist ministry. Upon coming to O'Neill he barbered for a time and later operated a general merchandise store at Third and Douglas streets, in the building presently occupied by the O'Neill Auto Supply.

The Bresslers became the parents of nine children, one son having died in infancy. Another son, Clon, drowned in the Elkhorn river southeast of O'Neill while on a school outing.

Twenty years ago the late Mr. Bressler gave up the retail business and began farming near Middlebranch in Knox county. He sold the store to Charles Hartford. (See next column.)

know until after the accident that Bob had a Boy Scout troop in South Boston. Bob and his fiancée were planning to announce a wedding date. Bob enlisted in the air force 7½ years ago. He taught mechanics for a long time and had 1,300 hours on 'copter engines.

The replacement 'copter dropped smoke bombs from overhead in the last 24-hour grind for the project. An L-20 single-engine plane streaked low over the site laden with its weather recording instruments. Military vehicles rumbled along the road doing business as usual as the research project was nearing its successful climax.

And the parents of two of the six 'copter crash victims visited and revisited the burned-out patch of prairie land a half-mile north of the operations site.

They picked up bits of the wreckage, fondled them carefully, and planned to take them away with them. Mr. Ide plucked a wild flower and tucked it into his coat pocket.

"Bobbie's mother will have a good cry when she gets this," he said.

"I feel the test has been quite a success," said Doctor Lettau. "We got at least eight observational periods, which met our requirements. We wanted at least six. None of the days that we studied were 100 percent perfect from the ideal weather standpoint. Perhaps we shouldn't have expected better weather conditions than we had."

Doctor Lettau, a ranking German scientist, added: "I'm really deeply impressed by the hospitality here and the kindness of people living in and around O'Neill. I really hope that we might come back sometime in the future."

Mr. Davidson said in a statement directed to the citizens of O'Neill: "You're wonderful."

Mayor J. E. Davis told The Frontier as nearly as he could determine the relationship between two hundred-odd project people and the residents had been in "complete harmony."

"To my knowledge," the mayor added, "there hasn't been a single incidence of discord and I think these people, who now are leaving us, have been grand in every way."

Doctor Lettau said that as the data is abstracted and studied "we'll learn some of the weaknesses in our program, and it's very possible that one day we'll want to undertake a similar study along these same lines and, if we do, I hope it'll be at O'Neill."

No one has made a guess what the research has cost. It's possible at least a million dollars' worth of equipment was assembled here—most of it specially designed and built for this test.

One scientist, who did not want to be quoted but apparently had given thought to the (Continued on page 12)

Scientific Group Ends Test Here

Field Project Draws to Finish Monday; Groups Moving Out

By a Staff Writer
At 12:30 p.m., Monday operations were ordered to cease on the air force-sponsored wind test site, six miles northeast of O'Neill.

The finish climaxed six weeks of the most intensive study on record of the behavior of wind turbulence and the air we breathe.

Promptly the corps of civilian scientists, researchers, technicians and air force military personnel began dismantling their equipment, packing and checking out. The exodus actually began even before the "all-clear" was sounded.

First group to move out was the University of Wisconsin field laboratory under the direction of Dr. Verner Suomi.

Only partially resembled the installation where exhaustive and minute studies had been carried out for more than 45 days—on one occasion operating 60 consecutive hours.

Tired but confident in the data they had amassed, the researchers began leaving the city Tuesday afternoon. Several major units left early Wednesday morning and other groups will trickle out during the remainder of the week.

Ben Davidson, project coordinator, and Dr. Heinz Lettau, field director, were enthusiastic about the project. Both indicated a good many months of intense work will be needed to abstract the voluminous data and reduce it to facts that can be applied to military and economic problems.

"I feel the test has been quite a success," said Doctor Lettau. "We got at least eight observational periods, which met our requirements. We wanted at least six. None of the days that we studied were 100 percent perfect from the ideal weather standpoint. Perhaps we shouldn't have expected better weather conditions than we had."

Doctor Lettau, a ranking German scientist, added: "I'm really deeply impressed by the hospitality here and the kindness of people living in and around O'Neill. I really hope that we might come back sometime in the future."

Mr. Davidson said in a statement directed to the citizens of O'Neill: "You're wonderful."

Mayor J. E. Davis told The Frontier as nearly as he could determine the relationship between two hundred-odd project people and the residents had been in "complete harmony."

"To my knowledge," the mayor added, "there hasn't been a single incidence of discord and I think these people, who now are leaving us, have been grand in every way."

Doctor Lettau said that as the data is abstracted and studied "we'll learn some of the weaknesses in our program, and it's very possible that one day we'll want to undertake a similar study along these same lines and, if we do, I hope it'll be at O'Neill."

No one has made a guess what the research has cost. It's possible at least a million dollars' worth of equipment was assembled here—most of it specially designed and built for this test.

One scientist, who did not want to be quoted but apparently had given thought to the (Continued on page 12)



The eyes of four University of Texas research staffers are focused on a rare refractometer, an instrument that has been employed on the wind test site near here to measure angles of the sun's rays, also angles of radio, television and radar waves. Left-to-right: Ray Staley, Kenneth Jehm, Dr. John Gerhardt (who designed equipment) and Walter Boughn.