

Waterway-Terrace Job Barely Begun

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As is shown in the annual report of the supervisors, 50 miles of terraces and 180 acres of waterways have been established in the past 10 years in Holt county. Comparing that with the estimated 5,277 miles of terraces and 5,228 acres of waterways yet to be done we have hardly started.

Some will say the estimate of need is too high. Others won't care about that, but will say, "I don't care if I need a terrace or not, I'll be hanged if I want to farm those crooked rows."

To the first statement let us say that if all the terraces estimated as needed were on the land, it would mean only 10 percent of the crop land in Holt county would be terraced. Does that seem too high? To the second let us say (and mean every word of it): "Do you want your son or grandson to be able to continue to farm that land?" Let us point out that on many farms in the county it is estimated that more than 15 tons of soil is lost per acre each year. If this land were terraced after proper grassed waterways were established and a good rotation followed, the soil loss would be a very small fraction of the present loss. Have you ever noticed any "thin spots" on the hillsides in Holt county? It's a good bet erosion has been taking its toll there. Not only do terraces retard erosion, they conserve water. They slow it down and give it a chance to soak into the ground at or near where it falls instead of filling every water course with swirling muddy water.

Terraces were constructed this year on the following places: Robert Witherwax of Spencer, Clay Mashino of Redbird, Frank Sholes of Middlebranch, Lyle Davis of Page, Louis Bartos of O'Neill and C. M. Pierson of O'Neill.

Others who have expressed themselves as being pleased with the job their terraces are doing include E. J. Revell of Star, Jesse Kelly of Page and Richard Trowbridge of Page.

Waterways must come first. To many this does not seem logical because they think to protect the field and slow the water down,



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terraces should be established before waterways. However, a large percent of the run-off water reaches the water courses well down the slope on the non-terraced field. When terraces are constructed they intercept this water and outlet the water much higher up the slope, thus causing more water to flow down these waterways from a higher elevation and usually over steeper slopes. In addition the water is outletted into the waterway at a most critical time. From the time the waterway is worked in until a good sod is established every effort must be made to keep as much water as possible out of the waterway. Some way should be provided to prevent the waterway from washing out entirely, or a little ditch or gully forming in the center of what otherwise would be a perfect sod.

Since the complete success of establishing waterways is so vitally important, to prevent doing the job all over again and delaying the terrace program, every possible precaution should be taken to get a quick cover as soon as possible after the waterway is prepared. Generous applications of commercial fertilizer or manure and a heavy rate of seeding will help in this matter.

Favorable weather conditions following waterway preparation may mean the difference between success and failure. The waterway should be designed to meet the needs determined by the area it drains and the slope of the land. The center of the waterway should be broad and flat with the sides gently sloping. The waterway should be designed to meet the needs determined by the area it drains and the slope of the land. The waterway should not be used as a roadway as this practice will encourage a gully to start.

As one example of a job well done, let us use the waterways established on the Pete Nissen place northwest of Page, operated by Charles Sorensen.

Waterway construction was delayed until June 15 in an effort to avoid most of the danger of heavy spring rains. Immediately after the waterways were properly shaped by the contractor, corn was broadcast over the entire area. This grew quickly and formed a good temporary cover for erosion control.

Moisture conditions were good during the early part of August when Mr. Nissen took the opportunity to seed the waterways to a grass and legume mixture of alfalfa, western wheat grass, intermediate wheat grass and bromegrass at a rate of about 20 pounds per acre. As a result, by late fall there was good evidence of a stand of grass.

Another example of good success in establishing a waterway without the use of a temporary crop of corn, (sudangrass or other similar crop) was the one established by Lawrence Rouse on his place north of O'Neill. He seeded a similar grass and legume mixture immediately after preparing the waterway in the early fall of 1952 and weather conditions were favorable so that a dense sod was formed before any erosion could take place.

Probably the largest single waterway was constructed for E. C. Weller north of Stuart. The total length of the main waterway was 4,900 feet with a branch 2,350 feet long flowing into it. The bottom width of the lower portion of the waterway was 50 feet with gentle side slopes. An enormous amount of dirt had to be moved to shape the waterway. The entire amount to be seeded will be between 11 and 12 acres. Unfortunately the weather was extremely dry after this waterway was shaped. Now the major problem will be to get it established before serious erosion takes place.

It should be pointed out that the individual must make his own decisions as to just how a certain job is to be done. Service technicians only make recommendations and see that certain minimum requirements are met if he is to receive ACP payment. The method of doing the job must fit into the plans and wishes of the individual and no set procedure can be set up as a "must."

During 1953 waterways were also constructed on the following places: Lyle Davis of Page, Felix Hendrix of O'Neill, Charles Gifford of O'Neill, Edd Stewart



Dale Revell of Star (perched on tractor) was Holt county's entry in a statewide plow terracing contest.

of Page, Robert Witherwax of Spencer, Frank Sholes of Middlebranch, L. G. Summers of Page, Howard Oberle of O'Neill, Louis Bartos of O'Neill, Ben Vonasek of Star and Quentin Hickok of Atkinson.

The success of these waterways very considerably because of the extremely dry fall, however, all have made a concerted effort to get the job done to the best of their ability.

These people have gained experience and will be glad to discuss these activities with their friends and neighbors.

Mother, Daughter Leaving for Europe

Joining Sgt. Green in Germany

LYNCH—Mrs. G. L. Mulhair of Lynch, Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Weinberger and family of Madison, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Rhode and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Zakrzewski attended a family gathering at the Jack Passoux home in O'Neill last Thursday in honor of Mrs. Betty Green and daughter, Patty.

Mrs. Green and daughter are leaving for New York enroute to Bomholder, Germany, to join her husband, Sgt. Marvin Green, who is stationed there.

Ice cream and cake were served in late evening and flash pictures were taken.

Other Lynch News
Ernest Vomacka of Gregory, S.D., spent the first of the week at the Martin Jehorek home.

Mrs. Gladys Neeley of Vancouver, Wash., has been visiting Boy's county friends and relatives the past 10 days. She is a former Lynchite.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Mahlendorf of Butte were business visitors here Wednesday, February 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Milford Cameron and family of Niobrara visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Mulhair were recent visitors at the Paul Reel home north of Spencer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cassidy and daughters of Ft. Randall visited Lynch relatives Sunday.

Billy J. Spelts recently enlisted in the air force and is now at the Lackland air base, San Antonio, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Tuch of Verdel visited at the George Tuch home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Tanner of Oregon visited at the Frank Mulhair home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johns were last Tuesday supper guests at the Duane Hammon ranch.

Fred Hrbek of Verdigré visited relatives here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Koenig of Spencer were recent visitors here.

Mrs. Nata Bjornsen and Lanora were Sunday visitors at the Ralph Papstein home in Spencer.

Mrs. G. L. Mulhair visited with Mrs. Ray Alford on Wednesday.

Mrs. Reuben Redlinger and children of Page and Marian Ruth Hay spent Friday evening at the Patsy Mulhair home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tuch of Verdel and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Wilson visited at the George Tuch home recently.

Returns Here—
Last Thursday Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lanman and Joseph Sobotka visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Simmons in Neligh. Mrs. Sobotka returned to O'Neill with them. She had been visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Simmons, since February 21.

Is Affianced
Mrs. Alice Prewitt announces the approaching marriage of her daughter, Peggy Joan (above), to Max Dixon of Scottsbluff. The wedding will take place April 6. The Prewitts are from Amelia.

Amelia News

Mrs. B. B. Adams, who spent the winter in Arizona, visited several days with Mr. and Mrs. Ed White enroute to her home in Atkinson.

Mrs. Lawrence Barnett has been teaching the grade room in Amelia during Mrs. Arthur Walter's illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hiatt accompanied Darrol Baker of O'Neill to Casper, Wyo., for a weekend visit with Mrs. Nellie Baker.

Paul Johnston and Maxine Peterson, students at Lincoln, spent the weekend with home-folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pierce were Burwell callers Friday. While there they called on Mrs. Belle Widman at the nursing home.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Keefe and family visited Mrs. Keefe's parents at Greeley Sunday.

Art Waldman went to Lincoln Friday where he will visit his sister.

A group of classmates and friends from Atkinson gave a surprise farewell party for Calvin Coolidge Monday evening at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Coolidge. There were about 30 present.

Ervin Thompson of Sedro Woolley, Wash., visited his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Sageser, the first part of the week. Ervin is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ivel Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Doolittle, Sr., and Clinton, Mr. and Mrs. Art Doolittle, Delores and Dale, and Mrs. Stella Sparks and Lyle, were supper guests at Mrs. Gertrude Adair's Sunday evening. They spent the evening playing cards and ended with an oyster stew.

Finished Pot Holders to Be Brought—
The Ever Green 4-H club held its fifth meeting with all members present but Shirley Storzjohann. The learning to sew group judged kitchen towels and had their record books completed up to date. Carol Wabs gave a demonstration on "How to Straighten the Edges of a Towel" and Bonna Margritz demonstrated the stitches used in making a tea towel.

The next meeting will be March 16 with pot holders finished by the learning to sew group and the helping mother and dad members are to have their trays decorated. Roll call will be your favorite book and its author.—By Bonna Margritz, news reporter.

PAGE NEWS
Ralph Simmons spent Monday night with his schoolmate, Dennis Ickes.

Mr. and Mrs. Merwyn French, jr., were house guests over the weekend in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Olsen, at Oakland.

Sunday dinner guests at the N. D. Ickes, sr., home included Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Bennett and family of Oakdale and Mr. and Mrs. Junior Ickes and Teri.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Schneider and family of Columbus visited at the home of her parents, brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Langan and Mr. and Mrs. John DeWitt, over the weekend.

Eagles Knocked Off by Ainsworth

Valentine 42; Bassett 40
Bud Asher's arching last-minute longshot broke the 40-all deadlock and gave the Valentine Badgers a 42-40 victory over Bassett (Rock county high) in the first game of the district class B basketball tournament here. The two teams were locked 10-all at the end of the first quarter and Bassett was in front, 19-17, at the half.

Plainview 63; Neligh 59
The Plainview Pirates pulled an amazing upset in Tuesday's second class B game. They ousted the Neligh Warriors, 63-59, and in doing so tasted victory for the first time this season.

Ainsworth 68; O'Neill 56
Bill Gabbert and Chuck Spearman, with 22 points apiece, led the Ainsworth Bulldogs to a 68-56 win over O'Neill high in Wednesday night's first round game. Larry Chase scored 17 for O'Neill. Ainsworth led, 34-31, at the half.

Gordon 71; Burwell 35
The favored Gordon high cagers had easy pickin's in rocking the Burwell Longhorns, 71-35, Wednesday night after leading 31-18 at the half.

Martin Hess of Gordon scored 16 points; Jim Cunningham of Burwell 10.

Semifinals Tonight
In semifinal play tonight (Thursday) in the district class B tourney here, Ainsworth goes against Plainview at 7 p.m., and the favored Gordon quint squares off against Valentine at 8:30.

Finals will be played Friday night.

HEISS SCORED 40
PAGE—The Page high Eagles captured top laurels in the class D tourney played at Brunswick by defeating Brunswick, 72-64, in the finals Friday night. Larry Heiss produced 40 points for the winners—one of the best individual shows 'round these parts this season. This included 16 fielders and eight freethrows.

The Eagles went to Fullerton Monday night for a regional playoff against Elba. Heiss was held at bay most of the first-half, but produced 32 points as his team went down to defeat, 52-72.

300 Guests Sign Parkers' Guestbook

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The Parkers have six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Two granddaughters, Miss Lorraine Ernst of Wheaton, Ill., and Mrs. Allen Zempel of Shelby Mont., and the great-granddaughter, DeLila Sue Zempel, were unable to be present.

Congratulatory messages came by telegraph and telephone from Alaska, Mexico, Tennessee, Illinois and Seattle, Wash.

Out-of-town guests included Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Middlekauff, Ben Parker, James Shumate, Mr. and Mrs. John Huenink, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Dorf and children, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Harter and son, Mrs. Lillie Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bates and Marie Scott, all of Lincoln; Mrs. Clarence Tieszen of Omaha; Carl Parker of Denton; Mrs. Pearl Baskett of Neligh; Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Keyes of Valentine; Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Gamel of Cedar Rapids.

Mr. Parker, at 77, no longer is active in farming, but maintains a large garden. The Parker home for many years has been a center of community activity.

Both enjoy good health although Mrs. Parker was hurt in a fall several years ago and had to be hospitalized for several weeks.

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Lettings Today for Highway Work

State Highway Engineer L. N. Ress announced that sealed bids would be accepted today (Thursday) at the statehouse in Lincoln for 9.9 miles of oiled road, 3.0 miles of grading earth road and two bridges from O'Neill south and Chambers east and west. Road construction shall begin by May 3 and be completed within 200 working days. Work on the bridges will begin by May 17 and be completed within 90 working days.

This particular stretch of roadway was scheduled for improvement upon the basis of the sufficiency rating system. The improvement of this stretch of highway is made possible through the use of the increased revenue the department received by the enactment of the additional one-cent gasoline tax.

Ress also announced that sealed bids would be accepted at the same time for construction of four miles of oil road on U.S. highway 20 running east of Atkinson toward O'Neill. Work is to begin on May 17 and be completed within 140 working days.

CHAMBERS NEWS
Beverly Platt, who is attending a Bible institute at Huron, S.D., spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Platt.

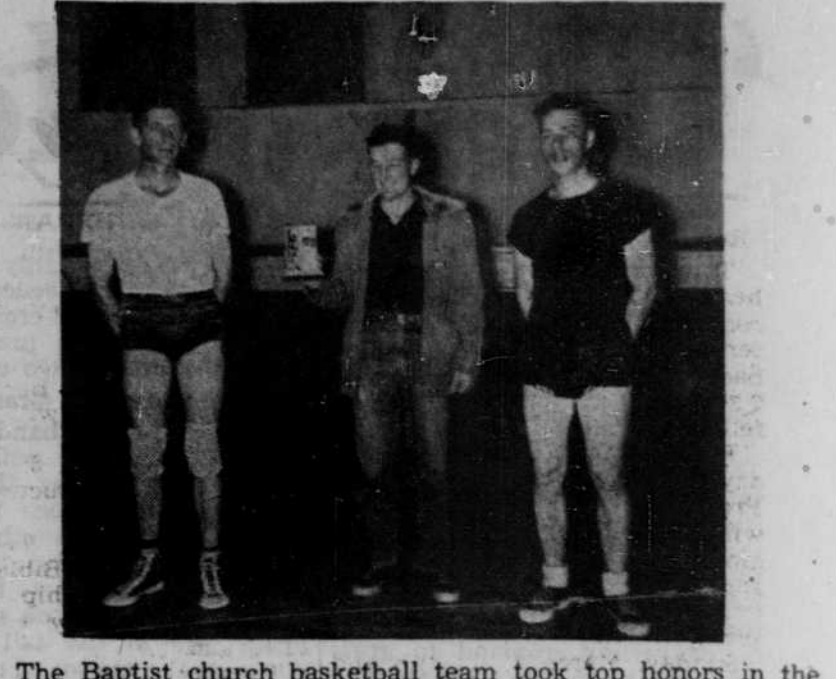
Angie Spath spent Monday and Tuesday, February 22 and 23, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spath, returning to her work in Omaha Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Price and son of Omaha came Saturday evening, February 27, to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Spath. They returned Sunday evening.

Lela Corcoran and son, Stevie wa, Ia., where they and spent returned Sunday from Ottumwa the past week with her brother-in-law and sister, Dr. and Mrs. Loren Coppac and family.

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The Baptist church basketball team took top honors in the playoff in church league competition at Chambers. The Baptists were paced along by long shots fired by Nval Rowse. St. Paul's Lutheran church team, captained by Cleo Alderson (left) finished second. Other teams competing were Amelia Methodist, Chambers Methodist and Bethany Presbyterian. The league operated under the sponsorship of the Chambers American Legion post 320. The commander, Stanley Lambert (center), exhibits the trophy presented by Holt County Sheriff Leo Tomjack. Zane Rowse is pictured at right. E. R. Carpenter is sports promotion manager for the Legion post.

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Between four and five hundred cattle are expected today (Thursday) at the regular weekly sale. The offering will include calves and yearlings, both steers and heifers. There will be 18 registered Hereford bulls consigned by Ray Delany of Onawa, Ia., three young Shorthorn bulls, and the usual run of butcher cattle. The cattle market this week has been off about a dollar.

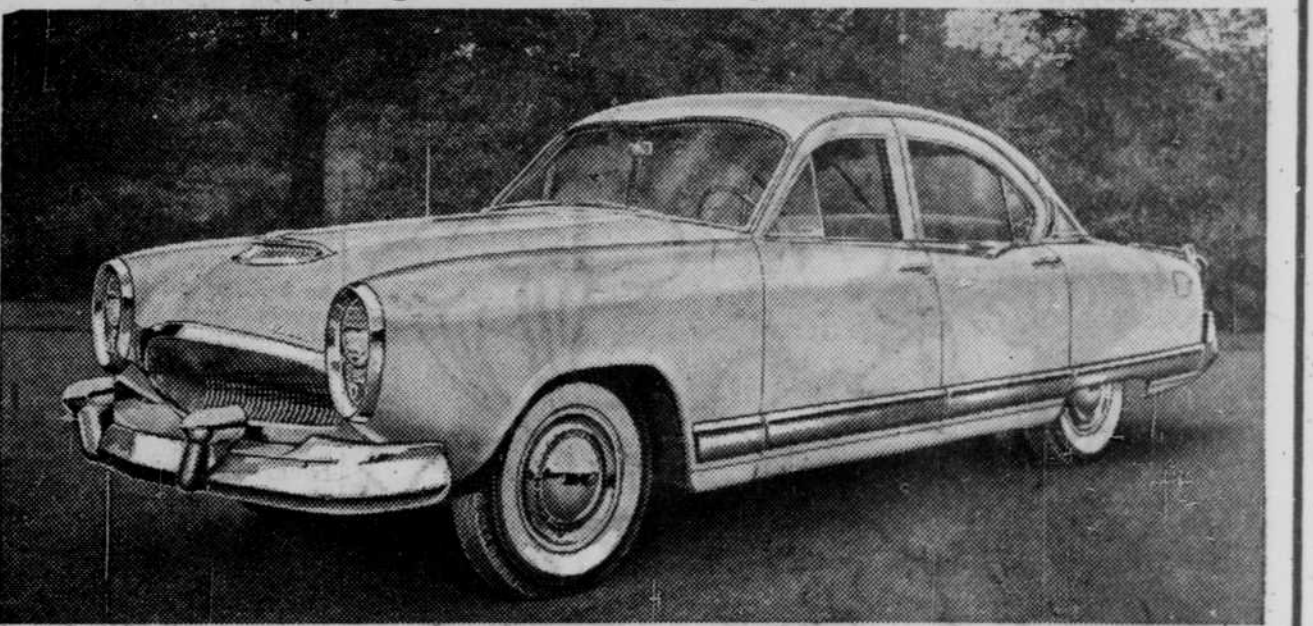
The hog sale will start today at noon.

O'Neill Livestock Market

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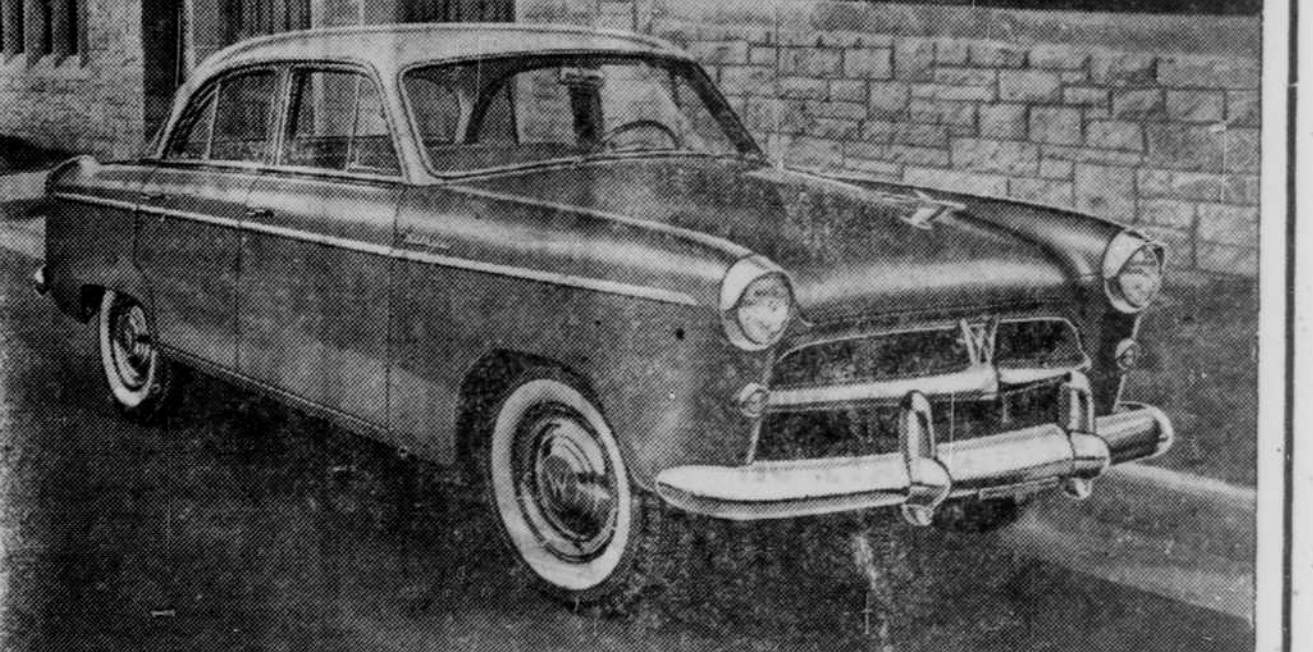
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Weekly Market Report

The Atkinson Livestock Market
Atkinson, Nebraska

NEXT TUESDAY'S AUCTION MARCH 9TH

Due to the storm and bad road conditions Tuesday, many consignments were not able to get in.

These cattle will be in together with what we had listed for this sale which will make a splendid offering of cattle to attract feeder buyers from long distance.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS WELL-ADVERTISED SALE
If you have livestock to market now, bring them in next Tuesday.

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90 head of Angus breeding cows, good quality, 3- to 8-years-old, to calve this spring, from the Abbott & Son Ranch.

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