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School Board Offers Contracts To 25 Teachers; Raise Salaries

O'Neill's school board has offered contracts to 25 secondary and elementary teachers for the coming school term.

The following secondary teachers were offered contracts: Marvin Miller, Gerald Hawley, Vern Carpenter, Edwin Koch, Donald Kordra, Charles Smith, Stanley Williamson, Duane Miller, Donald Larson, Aivara Ramm and Eileen Seger.

Elementary teachers receiving contracts are Helen Martens, James Luft, Baby Holcomb, Noni Beckwith, Cletia Murray, Elizabeth Speltz, Theresa Ernst, Edna Jeffrey, Clara Harley, Lorine Smith, Nyculah Sanders, Florence Kersenbrock, Mary Langemeier and Grace Peterson.

None of the contracts have been returned at this time. The teachers have until March 6 to return the contracts. Salary increases range from \$200 to \$350.

Presbyterians to Host World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer will be held at the First Presbyterian church Friday at 2:30 p.m.

The program which will commemorate the 75th anniversary of World Day of Prayer will be presented by the Presbyterian church under the direction of Mrs. George Robertson and the Methodist church under Mrs. Louis Reimer sr.

Everyone is urged to attend this united prayer service.

Holt Delegates Attend Meeting Of Rural Boards

Mrs. John Mohr jr., of Amelia, Mrs. Florence Boettcher of Atkinson and Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Whaley of O'Neill attended the annual meeting Tuesday of the Nebraska Rural School Boards association in Grand Island.

The Holt county delegates named above were among 11 persons from this county attending the session.

Dr. Freeman B. Decker was the morning speaker.

Much time was devoted to discussion of legislative bills introduced in the interest of education and the following were reviewed: LB 222, requiring the state to pay tuition, grade and high school for children of men in military service; LB 266, providing that tuition paid for pupils living on state or city owned tax-exempt air fields shall not be less than the average per pupil cost; LB 267, authorizing the state board of education to rent or lease space outside the capitol, needed by various departments, rather than leasing office space outside the capitol; LB 314, revising the procedure for re-organization of school districts to provide that in an election on a proposed plan for re-organization of school districts Class 1 school districts which have, or have not, an incorporated city or village within the boundaries they shall constitute a separate voting unit; LB 668, redesignating emergency and provisional teaching permits as temporary certificates.

The Association went on record as supporting these five measures.

Much discussion was held, pro and con, with no definite decision concerning LB 362 which proposes to sell all state-owned school land at the termination of present leases.

The Association decided to draft a letter to Dr. Decker on what comprises a school year, asking Decker to bring this up with the board of education that the law be made more specific.

Burwell will be the 1962 meeting place, the second Wednesday in February.

Services Planned In O'Neill for Mrs. A. Bowers

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. in the O'Neill Methodist church for Mrs. Anna Bowers, 69, who died Tuesday at the Atkinson Memorial hospital. She suffered a stroke several years ago and never completely recovered her health.

Anna Bowers was born September 13, 1891 at Wilbur to Mr. and Mrs. Vac Beloholav of Czechoslovakia.

She was married March 10, 1908 to Tom Bowers and to this couple were born five children. Most of her life was spent in Boyd and Holt counties.

Survivors are two sons, Tom of Bristow and Wayne of Stockton, Calif.; three daughters, Mrs. Beatrice Havranek of Hamburg, Ind., Mrs. Tony Astrow of O'Neill, and Mrs. Florence Elkins of Johnston, and four sisters, Mrs. Tillie Bowers of Bristow, Mrs. Mary Zatopek of Plattsmouth, Mrs. Rose Hranac of Silver Springs, Md., and Mrs. Sadie Davy of Belvoir.

Pallbearers will be Clifford Nelson, Esty Nelson, Louis Havranek, Albert Havranek, E. A. Choe and Algot Sandberg.

Burial will be in Prospect Hill cemetery.

Rites Held for Lyle J. Stevens At Clearwater

CLEARWATER — Funeral services for Lyle J. Stevens were held Wednesday at the Methodist church with the Rev. W. W. Elliott officiating. Burial was in the Clearwater cemetery north of town. Sniders Funeral home was in charge.

Pallbearers were Emmot, Reed and George Mummert, Johnnie and Dwight Hoffman and Louis Jones.

Lyle Stevens, son of George and Jennie Stevens one of Clearwater's pioneer families, was born May 19, 1885 one mile south of here. He died Sunday at the Tilden hospital after a short illness. Mr. Stevens spent his entire life within two miles of his birthplace.

On January 7, 1913 he married Myrtle Pacholke. She died one year later and on August 12, 1930 he married Mrs. Elizabeth Miller.

Survivors are: Wife; stepson—Allen Miller of Atkinson and stepdaughter—Mrs. Phillips Zrust of Fremont; three grandchildren.

Ewing Village Caucus Planned for Feb. 28

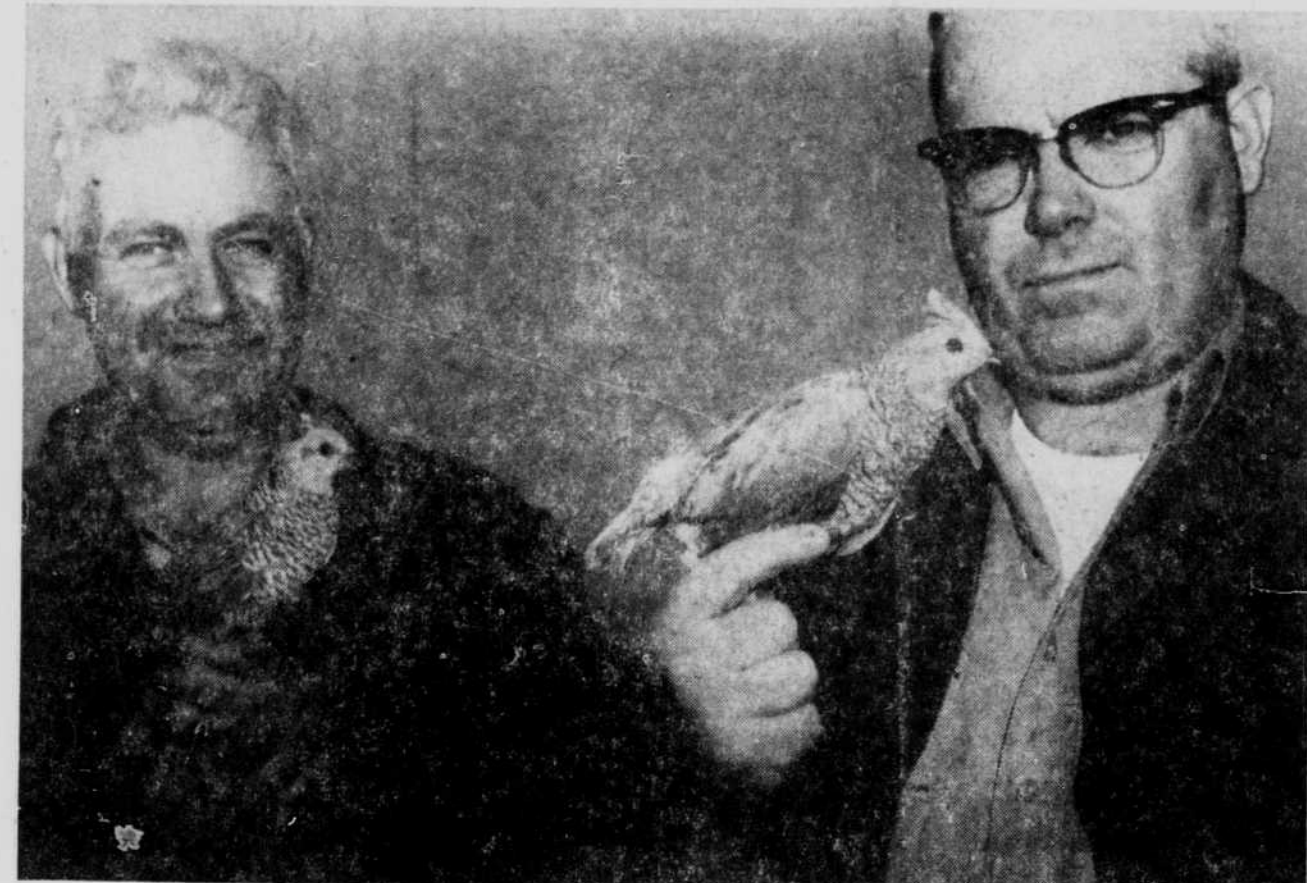
EWING — The village and school board caucus will be held February 28 at the public school for nomination of two village board members and three school board candidates.

The terms of Willis Rockey and Ray Funk will expire on the village board this year. On the school board, the three year terms of Archie Tuttle and R. S. Brion, and the one-year term of Wilbur Spangler will expire this year.

Village Caucus Slated At Verdigré March 1

VERDIGRE — Three town council nominations will be accepted at the village caucus to be held here March 1 at the city house.

Terms to be filled are those of Gordon McElhose, Edward Hass and Edward S. Pavlik. The election will be held April 4.



A STRANGE GAME BIRD with a southern drawl invaded Holt county Wednesday when a shipment of scaled quail from Texas was released on the Frank and Paul Nelson ranch northeast of O'Neill. Paul Nelson, left, and Game Warden Harry Spall are shown holding the new quail during the release. The birds prefer short grass country, Spall said, and they are part of an initial release in north central Nebraska. They are slightly larger than the Bob White quail.

Soil Men to Meet; Plan Meeting of Seed Producers

The Holt county Soil and Water Conservation board of supervisors will meet in regular session (today) Thursday at the courthouse annex.

Plans will be made to hold a meeting with the seed producers in the county in the near future.

A number of farmers and ranchers in Holt county harvest considerable amounts of various types of native grasses which are consigned to the district for sale.

Elmer Juracek and Merwyn French sr., who attended the national convention of Soil and Water Conservation districts at Memphis, Tenn., will also make a report of the convention.

Rites Held at Valentine for W. Sengelmann

A former O'Neill resident, William Sengelmann, 63, died Friday at his home in Valentine.

Funeral services were held Monday at the Lutheran church in Valentine. Burial was in the Valentine cemetery.

William Sengelmann was born October 1, 1897 to Joseph and Wilhelmina Sengelmann at Pierce. He spent his youth at Pierce and O'Neill, later working in the Dallas, S. D., community.

He was married in May, 1922 to Lena Lenser of Dixon, S. D. To this couple one daughter was born, Darlene. Mr. Sengelmann farmed until a year ago due to ill health, he retired from the farm and moved into Valentine.

Surviving are his wife; a daughter, Mrs. Darlene Thornton; one grandson, Kevin; three brothers, Jake of Spencer and Hans and John Sengelmann of Gregory, S. D., and eight sisters, Alma Machmuller of Clarkson, Meta and Paula Sengelmann of Spencer, Irma Sengelmann, Freda Brown and Clara Arbo, all of O'Neill, Greta Timmerman of Star and Mrs. Harta Doty of Sioux Fall, S. D.

Stuart Group Voices Opposition to LB 191

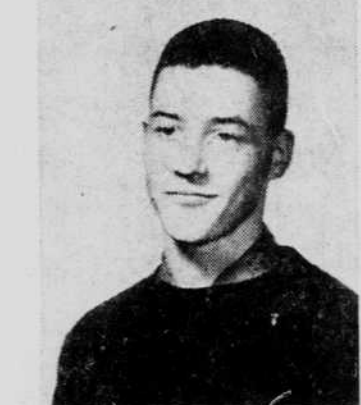
STUART — The Community club of Stuart has adopted a resolution opposing LB 191 which proposes the east-west division of state into new congressional districts.

The Stuart group prefers a north-south division line along the eastern boundaries of Boyd, Holt and Antelope counties to the Kansas line as it believes this would better fill the needs of the state.

Seven Bids Received For New Merritt Dam

AINSWORTH — Seven bids were received February 8 for construction of Merritt Dam and access road, major features of the Ainsworth project to first go under construction.

Low bid of \$2,655,044 was submitted by the Bushman Construction company of St. Joseph, Mo. The engineers estimate was \$3,114,334. The contract will be awarded in late February with work actually beginning shortly thereafter.



EWING — Don Rotherham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rotherham, has been selected for Boys State under the sponsorship of the American Legion, Sanders Post No. 214. He is a junior at Ewing high school.

Sojkas to Observe Anniversary Feb. 21

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sojka of Ewing will observe their 50th wedding anniversary on February 21. They are vacationing at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Louis Sojka jr., in Tucson, Ariz., and will celebrate there.

Their address is: 2311 North Tucson Blvd., Tucson, Ariz.

Musicians Attend Vermillion Clinic

Roy Bridge, Dianne Gillespie, Vickie Gedwill, Larry Dawes and Raymond Fox, accompanied by Duane Miller, band instructor, attended an all-day instrumental clinic Tuesday at Vermillion, S. D., on the University of South Dakota campus.

Game Commission Plans Expansion Of Grove Lake Fishery Program

The expanding fishery program at the Game Commission's Grove Lake near Royal may include northern-pike production in the future, according to Game Commissioner LeRoy Bahensky of St. Paul.

Bahensky termed the northern-pike potential at the lake "excellent." "Growth rates of this species in Grove Lake compare with those common in most fertile Sandhill lakes."

The commission has already established two trout-rearing ponds at the area, after a survey had found the spring-fed stream water could support the fish. Raceways to hold the trout will be built this spring.

In addition, the lake and Verdigré Creek, its feeder stream,

Firemen Hunt for Lost Ewing Lad

EWING — The disappearance of a three-year-old lad caused an anxious three hours to a family here Friday afternoon.

Little Jerry Slizoski, who makes his home with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Slizoski west of Ewing, disappeared a short time after going outdoors to play. The family searched the farm home and surrounding area for approximately three hours before calling in the Ewing Fire department for assistance.

Firemen soon located the lad and his dog about one mile from home, unharmed and not in the least concerned about all the excitement. His dog, part Collie, would not allow members of the searching party to come near Jerry.

Schedule Released for Extension Meetings

Extension leaders will attend meetings this month for the purpose of learning the lesson on "arthritis" which they will present to their different clubs.

Following is a schedule of the meetings: February 20, J. P. Pruden residence at Ewing; February 21, Leo Kramer residence at Atkinson; February 3, O'Neill courthouse annex assembly room, 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; February 24, William Crawford home in Chambers; February 27, Harry Harper residence in Fargo; and February 28, Stuart school lunchroom. All meetings will start at 1:30 p.m.

"South Pacific" Setting For St. Mary's Banquet

Juniors and seniors of St. Mary's academy dined and danced Thursday evening in a "South Pacific" atmosphere during the annual prom held in the academy recreation room.

Tom Wanser was toastmaster for the banquet which was prepared by the mothers of the juniors and served in the dining room. Msgr. Timothy O'Sullivan gave the invocation.

The welcoming address was presented by Steve Higgins and Douglas Spittler responded for the seniors. Larry Giff presented "A Salute to Our Monsignor," and Patricia McKenzie paid tribute to the faculty. Lynn McCarthy spoke about "Our Unseen Guests, Jesus and Mary."

After the banquet the group adjourned to the gymnasium for an evening of dancing to the music of Berigan's orchestra.

Security Representative Slates Butte Visit Feb. 1

James B. Hoffman, field representative of the Norfolk social security office, will be in the courthouse court room in Butte from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. February 23.

Gary Fick Wins Scholarship In State 4-H Competition

O'Neill High Has Winner In Regents for 22nd Year

O'Neill public high school has participated and has had a winner in all the Regents scholarship contests during the past 22 years from 1939 to 1961.

This record is equaled by only 43 other high schools, according to H. M. Cox, director of the University of Nebraska examination service at Lincoln.

Presbyterian Church At Ewing to Observe 75th Anniversary

EWING — The congregation of the Ewing United Presbyterian church will hold open house Sunday, Feb. 26, in observance of the 75th anniversary of the church.

Regular services will be held in the morning followed by a basket dinner in the annex at 12:30 p.m. At 2 p.m. there will be a program consisting of music, history of the church, dedication of gifts to the church and dedication of the annex. Lunch will be served after the program.

Everyone is invited to attend this affair.

Atkinson Trucker Files \$47,780 Damage Suit

ATKINSON — Alois Mlinarik, truck operator, has filed suit in federal district court in Omaha for \$47,780.36 against the Firestone Tire and Rubber company as the result of an accident last September near Newcastle, Wyo.

Mlinarik charges that his tractor trailer was damaged to the extent of \$20,000 and he suffered permanent head injuries when a front tire blew out.

Three Cases on Spring Term Court Docket

Three cases are on the docket for the spring term of court beginning March 13 according to Howard D. Manson, clerk of the District Court.

Two criminal cases will be heard — one, the State of Nebraska vs. Floyd Russell; and the other, the State of Nebraska vs. Emmett P. Dean, insufficient fund check charge.

A suite for damage resulting from a car accident near Page will also be heard, Edna Gideon vs. Joe Foster.

Floyd Longs Plan Open House Sunday

An open house observance will be held Sunday, Feb. 26, at the Church of Christ, located at Sixth and Grant streets, from 2 to 5 p.m. in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Long who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Long take this means of inviting their friends to attend.

O'Neill PCA Slates Annual Meet Feb. 23

Stockholders of the O'Neill Production Credit association will hold their twenty-seventh annual meeting on Thursday, Feb. 23 at O'Neill, according to James W. Rooney, manager.

The meeting will be held in the Royal Theatre with registration beginning at 11:35 a.m. A noon dinner will be served at the M & M Cafe and the K & M Cafe.

The business meeting, to be presided over by President Otto E. Oberg of Ericson, will begin at 1 p.m. in the theatre. Principal speaker will be J. E. Arner, Vice-President of the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of Omaha.

More Contributions To March of Dimes

Additional contributions from Holt county rural schools for the March of Dimes include the following:

District 9, Clara Peacock, \$4.90; district 14, Marvelene Garwood, \$5; district 74, Doris Spann, \$4; district 80, Mary Pierson, \$2.45; district 81, Ann Judge, \$3; district 92, Eunice Mann, \$3.50; district 102, Larry Sawyer, \$3.13; district 146, Marilyn Burke, \$2.55; district 209, Etta Serck, \$1.90; district 231, Robert C. Bailey, \$4.

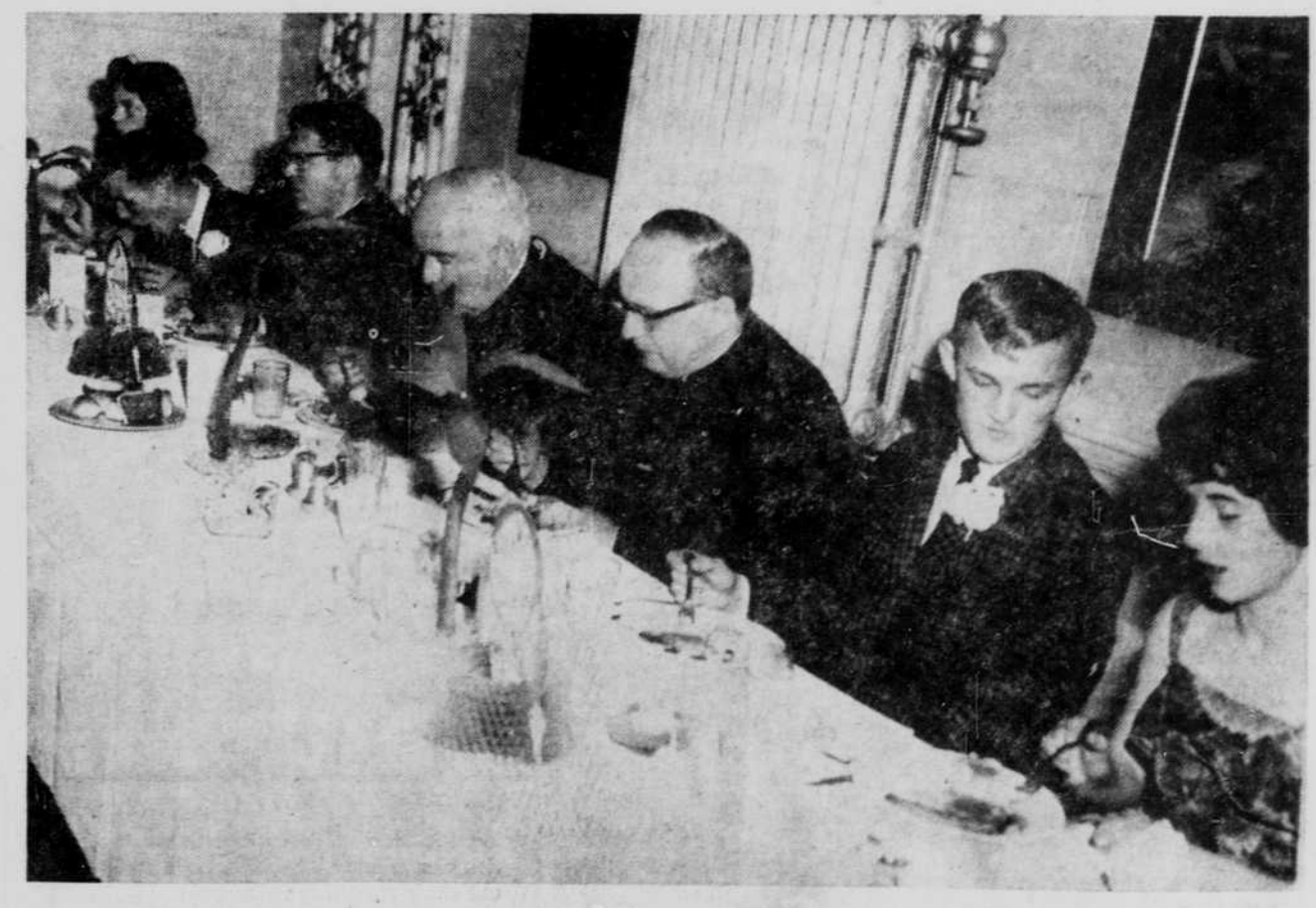
The total contribution to date is \$333.54.

Freak Pig Reported On Verdigré Farm

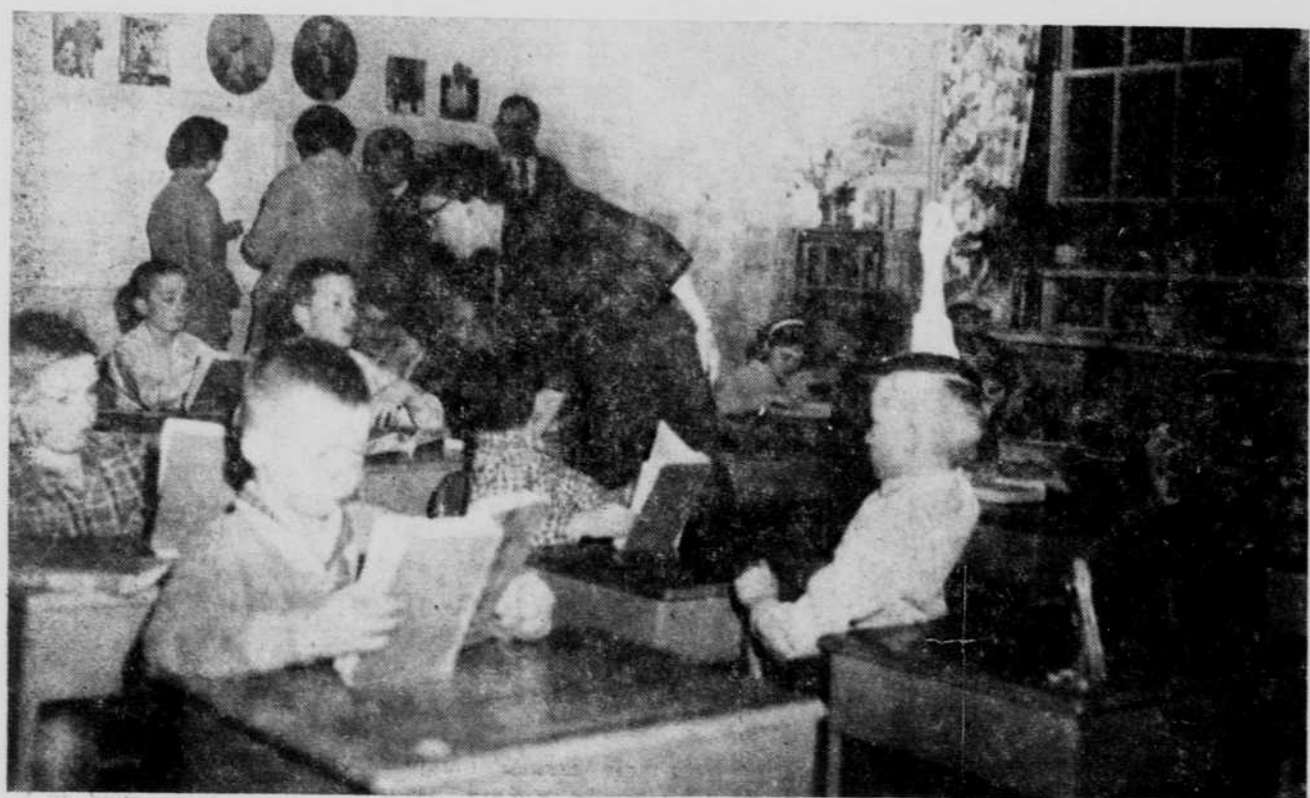
VERDIGRE — A baby pig with one head and two bodies, complete with eight legs, was born in a litter of pigs Sunday morning on the Alvin Zila farm four miles south of Verdigré.

The animal lived only a short while. It also had two tongues in the single mouth.

Mr. Zila took the body to Dr. Walstrom, local veterinarian, who has it preserved in solution.



ST. MARY'S JUNIORS AND SENIORS held their annual banquet and prom Thursday evening. Shown here at the head table (left to right) are: Angela Koenig, Doug Spittler, Father Duffy, Msgr. Timothy O'Sullivan, Father Kucera, Tommy Wanser and Pat Herman. Tom Higgins served as toastmaster and welcome to the seniors was given by Steve Higgins. Douglas Spittler gave the response for the seniors. The evening's festivities were closed at midnight with benediction of the blessed sacrament.



STUDENT PARTICIPATION in the open house held at the O'Neill public school this year gave parents and friends a chance to look in on actual classes in session. Approximately 350 persons visited the classes as the teachers and students continued with their regular assignments. Crowded classroom conditions were not in evidence due to the fact that 113 pupils were absent from the grade school rooms.