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Joyce Jones to Appear April 12

O'Neill's Community Concerts association presents Joyce Jones, organist, for the second concert of the season Wednesday, Apr. 12, at 8:15 p.m. at the O'Neill high school auditorium. Doors will be opened at 7:30 p.m.

Joyce Jones owes her present, fast-rising career to a "fortunate accident," a sprained hand sustained while practicing the piano. She began playing pedal studies on the organ, and by the time her hand was well, was so fascinated by the organ that she decided to make that her major instrument. After receiving a bachelor of music degree with highest honors from the University of Texas, she proceeded to complete a master of music degree in just nine months.

This goal was realized when she became the first organist to



SENIOR PLAY CAST MEMBERS AND PARTICIPANTS entertain the audience Monday evening between acts with "good old mountain music" which had their listeners tapping toes and clapping hands. Shown here are (left to right) Lynda Brooks, Leonard Hav-

ranck, Condie Anderson, John Harder, Joyce Krogh, Bob Jenkins, Bill Fricke, Sandra Perry, Larry Godel, Sonita Wilson, Susan Burney, Roy Bridge, Marion Rosenkrans and Nick Hammerlun.

Hammond and Cook Elected To School Board Positions

Sound Effects

Members of the Bethany Presbyterian church and the minister, the Rev. John Hart, were startled by a loud crash during Easter morning services.

A driver had lost control of his car and it had rammed into the corner of the church, knocking out a couple of cement blocks in the foundation of the building.

"Lesson for the day,"—and the stone was rolled aside."

O'Neill Men Held In Boyd County For Break-In

Complaints have been filed in Boyd county court against three O'Neill men on charges of breaking and entering.

Two of the men, Thomas Zakrzewski Jr., and Ronald Gene Timm, are being held in the Butte jail pending the hearing which will probably be held Friday, according to County Attorney W. P. Willis of Butte.

The third man, Edward H. Moos, has not yet been apprehended.

County Sheriff Claude Collins arrested Zakrzewski and Timm Tuesday evening for questioning in regard to the break-in Saturday night at the Farmers Co-op in Bristol.

Nothing was taken from the Co-op as the intruders were apparently frightened off when a car drove down the street. According to Sheriff Collins, the driver of the car spotted three young men running down the alley behind the Co-op, and later notified the night marshal.

George Hammond was re-elected to the O'Neill board of education and Dr. George R. Cook was elected to fill the other vacancy on the board as the result of city election held Tuesday in O'Neill.

Other candidates on the board ticket were Harold L. Lindberg, incumbent, and Hugh E. Coyne. Number of votes cast for each candidate is as follows: Cook, 419; Hammond, 407; Coyne, 391, and Lindberg, 373. This tally is unofficial until canvassing of votes is completed.

Hugh G. Kruse, incumbent, and Alan Van Vleet were elected to the Airport Authority committee.

There was no contest in the election for city councilmen. Re-elected to the council were the following men and their wards: William McIntosh, first; George Janousek, second; Fred O. Heerman, third, and Dr. Edward M. Gleason, fourth.

Heiss, French Named To Page School Board

PAGE — Kenneth Heiss and Mervin French sr., were elected Tuesday to the Page school board with 54 and 48 votes respectively.

Also running on the school board ticket were Mrs. William Sorenson, 45 votes, and Mrs. Arnold Tikalsky, 26 votes.

Three members were elected to the village trustee board for a two-year term and they are George Clacey, 48 votes, Ralph Stevens, 46, and Lloyd Fusselman, 29. Other candidates were Otto Terrill, Owen Park and Delbert Anson.

Harlan Kennedy ran unopposed for police magistrate.

Ewing Voters Elect Officials

EWING — There were 121 voters at the polls in Tuesday's election.

Elected to the village board were Stanley Davis, 59 votes, and Ray Funk, incumbent, 64 votes. They will serve two year terms.

Chosen for the school board, two year terms, were Stanley Davis, 63 votes, and Wilbur Spangler, incumbent, 73 votes. Archie Tuttle was elected for the one year term with 82 votes.

Three Districts Now Planning Combine School

MEEK — Patrons and members of school districts No. 1, 170 and 16, now dissolved, voted Thursday to build a \$10,000 school to be known as district No. 1.

A school board was elected to serve the new district and the members are Austin Searles, secretary, Cecil Miller, treasurer, and DeWayne Anson, moderator. Henry Walters and Paul Nelson were chosen to help the board on the building program.

All old business was concluded at the meeting for the three districts. There was a good attendance present. Another meeting will be held tonight (April 6) at district No. 170 at 8 p.m.

Galyen Appointed as Martens' Administrator

A hearing was held in county court Wednesday morning at which time James W. Galyen of Atkinson was named administrator for the estates of Alfred and Lois A. Martens. Mr. Galyen was also named guardian of the three minor children.



H. Underwood Named VFW Commander

Herb Underwood has been elected commander of the O'Neill Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 926.

Election was held at the regular monthly meeting Tuesday evening. Other officers for the coming year are as follows: Ivan Hurley, senior vice commander; Joe Schmidt, junior vice commander; Bill Gokic, quartermaster; Grant Peacock, chaplain, and Louis Wray, one-year trustee, and Vic Hanna, three-year trustee.

Officers appointed are: Ray Revell, service officer; Otto Sprague, guard, and Don Richardson, adjutant. District II Commander Bill Cousins of O'Neill installed the new officers.

Chambers High Holds Annual Sports Dinner

CHAMBERS—E. Lundstrom of Wayne was guest speaker at the Sports Banquet held March 29 at the high school gymnasium.

Dean Smith served as master of ceremonies. Others taking part in the program were: Roseanne Blake, Pep club president, welcome; Dennis Walter, secretary of Letterman club, response; Mr. Carson, doxology, and talks by Darrell Elkins, Dale Adams, Arthur Wintermore, Judy Thomson, Larry Swanson, Karen Farrier and Delbert Fleck.

Awards were presented by Mr. Carson and letters by Coach Geserich.

Firemen Fight Series of Blazes; Action Taken to Decrease Hazard

Sparks from passing trains and strong winds have combined the past few days to plague firemen in this area.

O'Neill firemen were called Thursday morning to the Neil Ryan property one mile east of Emmet where approximately 100 acres of pasture land, leased by L. D. Putnam, burned until the firemen got it under control. Mr. Ryan stated Tuesday that there were no haystacks burned but the burned ground is left without cover and the hard winds cause considerable "blow off" to the top soil.

About four years ago a fire struck on Ryan's land but rainfall shortly after the fire protected the soil from wind erosion.

Sunday afternoon fire hit again on Ryan's property, this time about a mile west of O'Neill. About 70 acres of meadow was burned from the railroad track to the Elkhorn river. Fire chief Gerald Miles reported the two O'Neill fire trucks became mired down in the swampy meadow land and it was necessary to call on the Chambers and Atkinson fire departments for assistance. The O'Neill firemen unloaded the water from their trucks and a large tractor with winch pulled the trucks free.

A third fire broke out Tuesday afternoon in Emmet and O'Neill, Atkinson each sent two trucks to extinguish the blaze. The fire started along side the railroad track just west of Emmet's main street. The blaze jumped the street and started burning southeast until brought under control.

Action is being taken by Holt county fire departments and the O'Neill Chamber of Commerce in attempt to decrease the fire hazard. Monday evening the Holt County Mutual aid, an organization made up of rural and city fire departments, met in the O'Neill Fire House and voted that all departments would write the State Railway commission, voicing their concern over the situation.

Fire Chief Miles met with Chamber of Commerce member, Dale Wilson, this week urging the railway commission to take immediate action on this problem. Further discussion was held Monday evening at the Commerce meeting.

Services Held for Mrs. Ray Fuhrer

NAPER — Mrs. Ray Fuhrer of Jamison died March 30 in the Yankton S. D. hospital. Funeral services were conducted at the Naper Catholic church at 10 a.m. Monday.

Methodists Plan Building Program; Name Committee

Methodist church members voted unanimously at a special Quarterly Conference held Friday evening to elect an official building committee for consideration of a new church building.

Members elected to the committee are Dr. Rex Wilson, who was named chairman, W. B. Gillespie, Earl Rodman, Wayne Koelle, William McIntosh, Elmer Juracek and Gilbert Poese.

A brief presentation was made at the conference by the church pastor, the Rev. Glenn Kennicott, of the needs of the church and pictures were shown of accepted types of buildings. Nearly all members of the Conference were present.

Plan Crazy Days Here April 14

Folks of the O'Neill trade area next week will get a chance to see people at their Kraziest. When Chamber of Commerce retail merchants join together in a Crazy Day promotion April 14.

Krazy bargains, krazy costumes and krazy ads will be the order of the day when krazy prices will be put on items in a sidewalk bazaar and inside bargain sale.

All employees of participating stores will be invited to dress in krazy costumes with prizes given for the best three.

Prizes will be an all-expense paid trip to Phoenix* or \$5 in cash; second, shown the road to Opportunity or \$3 in cash; third, four chicken dinners or \$2 in cash.

The fun of the day should be worth the trip but the big bargains will make the trip valuable to the thrifty shopper. *Nebraska

Page Plays Plan Class Play April 14

PAGE — A mystery play, "Murder in the Library," will be presented April 14 at 8 p.m. in the school gymnasium by members of the junior class at Page high school.

Cast members include Jon Cork, Alvin Crumly, Jim Melcher, Loren Boelter, Ron Asher, Arnold Hall, Charles Hovey, Altha Rutherford, Marilyn Park, Linda Smith, Ben Asher, Harlan Saltz, Byron Blain and Paul O'Brien.

Mrs. A. Chvala Honored on 99th Anniversary

VERDIGRE — Mrs. Anna Chvala of Verdigre celebrated her 99th birthday March 15, taking time from her housework to do so.

Mrs. Chvala has 81 living descendants—7 children, 20 grandchildren and 45 great grandchildren.

She was born March 15, 1862 in Neretky, Moravia, Czechoslovakia and at the age of 30 came to the United States with her family. Two of her children were born in Czechoslovakia.

She came to Pischelville, Nebraska in May, 1939 and she settled with her family on a farm.



Jury Panel Finds Iverson Innocent

FORREST Iverson of Stuart was found innocent on charges of intoxication and disturbing the peace in a jury trial held in county court Wednesday afternoon. The jury deliberated for nearly 30 minutes before reaching a decision.

The charges were the outgrowth of a disturbance which took place in the Elkhorn Bar at Stuart. Donald Shald of Stuart, also charged with disturbing the peace, had earlier pleaded guilty and was fined \$50 and costs.

Members of the jury were Arnie Mace, Peter Morgan, Melvin Klingler, Harden Anspach, Frank Clements and John W. Nachtman.

Atkinson Church Nears Completion

ATKINSON — A new \$120,000 Methodist church building here is nearing completion and the first worship services are set for May 28.

Members of the building committee are Dean Gotschall, chairman, Robert Horner, R. A. Dvorak, Robert H. Clifford, C. C. Raymer, Mrs. L. V. Humphrey and Mrs. W. C. Gage. They will assist the public in touring the new "L" shaped building during Sunday noon following church services.

There will be no public solicitation for the building fund. The project has been possible due to the many gifts of members and friends.

Neighbors Hold Planting Bee

STUART — Good neighbors donated seven hours of their time to plant 35 acres of oats for Robert Batenhorst who has been in an Omaha hospital, St. Joseph's, since March 4.

Following is a list of the men who helped Mr. Batenhorst: His sons, Gene and Mike Batenhorst, Harvey Steinhauer, LuVern Olberding, Bill Kohle, Art Olberding, Ivo Shald, Louis Shald, Stub Kunz, Jim Davis, George Kohle and Marion Davis.

Their wives prepared and served dinner at noon at the Batenhorst residence.



SPENCER — Fifty years ago, April 3, 1911, Bessie Darr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Darr of Redbird, and Oscar Witherwax, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Witherwax of Redbird, traveled by team and buggy to O'Neill and were married by Judge C. J. Malone in the courthouse.

Mrs. Malone and Robert N. Brittell of O'Neill witnessed the marriage and following this the couple returned to their new home in Boyd county, driving back in a heavy snowstorm.

Mr. and Mrs. Witherwax celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Monday. They have resided in Holt county on a farm four miles east of Spencer dam since moving from Boyd county many years ago.

The couple has three sons, Robert of Spencer, Elwin of Gering and Clayton of Stockton, Calif., and six grandchildren.

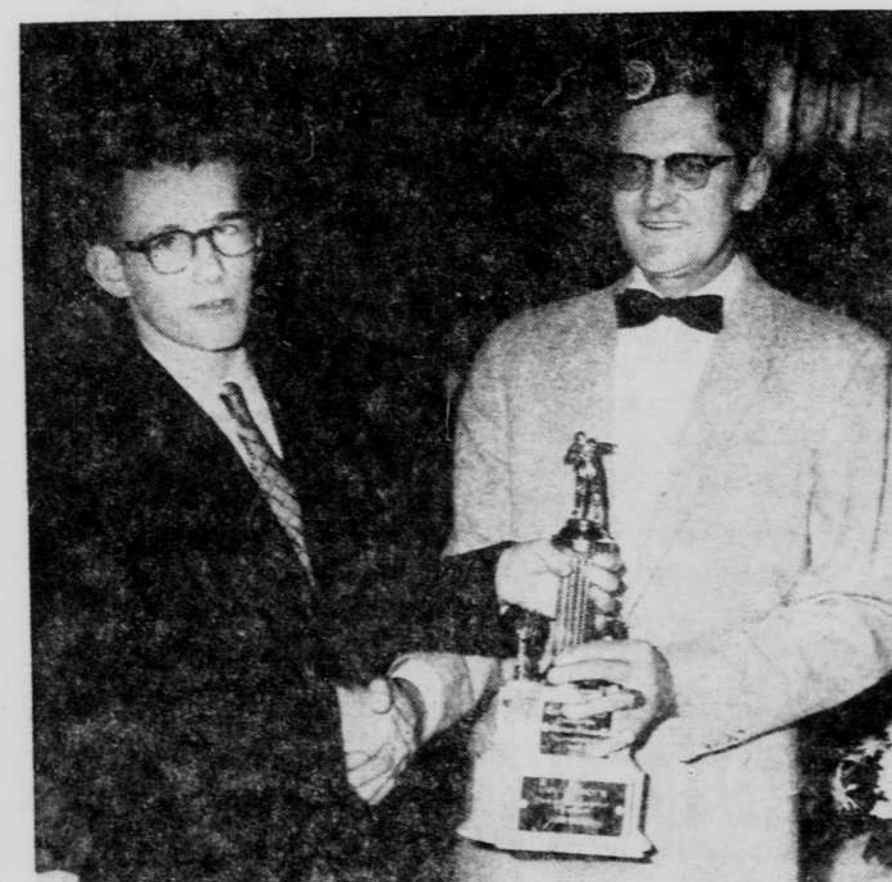
Six Area Schools Join Conference

STUART — Six schools have formed a new conference which will be known as the Three Rivers Conference.

These schools make up the new conference: Atkinson, Springview, Stuart, Butte, Ewing and Spencer.

Activities that will be governed by this conference are basketball, eleven-man football, track, volleyball, music and dramatics.

James Carr is president of the conference and Jay Muma is secretary and treasurer. Both men are from Stuart. The first formal introduction of this conference was Wednesday at O'Neill where an Invitational Track Meet was held.



JACK MOGINN receives the David Moore Sportsmanship trophy which he won at the recent Golden Gloves tournament in Chicago. The trophy, sponsored by the Chicago Tribune, was presented by American Legion Commander Virgil Tomlinson at the Conservation Awards banquet Tuesday evening at the Legion hall in O'Neill.



MR. AND MRS. L. U. HAMILTON of Stuart were presented this colored aerial photo of their ranch at the banquet Tuesday evening in the O'Neill Legion hall. The award was co-sponsored by the Federal Land Bank association of O'Neill and the Holt Soil and Water Conservation District. Presentation was made by Lyle Dietz,



CLARENCE ERNST, (right) retired supervisor, was honored at the Awards banquet Tuesday evening at the Legion hall. Emmet Lee, of Spaulding shown with Mr. Ernst, is chairman of the Nebraska Soil and Water Conservation committee and he presented him a 10-year certificate.



GOVERNOR FRANK MORRISON was guest speaker at the Conservation Awards banquet held in O'Neill Tuesday evening at the Legion hall. He is shown here as he addresses the large crowd in attendance. Mrs. Morrison is seated at the right of Gov. Morrison.