

Forge Check to Obtain Car

Machine Bought Here Wrecked in Wichita; Child Hurt

A strange story of an illegal automobile purchase, a wreck, the injury of a child, and the search for the principals in the case is being untangled by authorities this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Doyle went to the Outlaw Implement company on Friday, April 6. They purchased a 1942 model Ford car. For down payment they produced a \$225 check on the First National bank of Atkinson, bearing the signature "Walter Ferris."

Ferris is an Atkinson garbage hauler and drayman.

Ferris, however, claimed his signature was forged. Holt County Sheriff Leo S. Tomjack stated that Forrest and Irvin Clark, stepsons of Ferris, signed statements declaring that the signature was forged.

Ferris's stepsons were with Doyle and his wife when the car was purchased.

The Doyles, the two Clark boys and the Doyles' 3-year-old daughter were aboard when the 1942 car headed south.

Tomjack, learning that Doyle's mother lived in Wichita, Kans., asked Wichita authorities to look out for the car. About 11:30 p.m. Saturday Wichita authorities telephoned that the car had been found—wrecked, the child had been taken to a hospital to be treated for injuries, the two Clark brothers were being held for questioning, and the Doyles had vanished.

Monday the Wichita police reported the Doyles were not yet located.

The child was not seriously hurt and by Wednesday was ready to be dismissed from the hospital—but had no parents there to claim her.

Meanwhile, the search for the Doyles has spread to Oklahoma. The Doyles came to Atkinson several months ago. Mr. Doyle worked with a hay baling crew.

Mrs. Doyle was on parole from the Kansas women's reformatory. The Doyles also have a small son. Tomjack said that the Doyles were being hunted in connection with a financed car deal in Wichita.

Transportation of a stolen car is a violation of the Dyer act in which the Federal Bureau of Investigation could step into the picture.

Collins Schedules Another Auction

Lloyd Collins, well-known O'Neill implement dealer, has scheduled another gigantic farm machinery sale to be held in O'Neill on Saturday, April 21.

The sale will begin at 12:30 p.m. and will go on as scheduled—rain, snow or shine.

This is the fifth auction of this type to be sponsored by Mr. Collins. Previous auctions have been held on the east outskirts of the city. However, the April 21 sale will be held on the Collins lots, 2 blocks south of O'Neill's principal downtown intersection.

There is plenty of parking space to be found, Collins said. Included in the offering will be used tractors, combines, plows, power mowers, hay rakes, hammermills, one-way, cornpickers, and many miscellaneous items.

Watch for the big pink handbill and a full-page advertisement in the April 19 issue of The Frontier. Mr. Collins said.

Gilligan Moving Into New 'Home'

The Gilligan Rexall drug store is now in its new "home" on the south side of Douglas street, 3 doors east of O'Neill's main intersection.

Ben Gilligan, proprietor, and his staff are readying the store for a big Rexall 1-cent sale to begin next Wednesday, April 18.

Mr. Gilligan, a native of O'Neill, returned here in the fall of 1948 to establish a drug store. For a little more than 2 years he operated in a building owned by his uncle, Charles E. Stout, and the firm carried the name Gilligan & Stout.

The new building, owned by Homer F. Mullen, is modern in every detail and has been built especially for Gilligan's drug requirements.

The store is north-Nebraska's newest—and probably finest—drug store. (A big advertisement announcing the sale will be found in next week's issue of The Frontier.)

SCHOOL ENTERED

A portable hand-wound phonograph machine was reported stolen Tuesday night from rural school district 174 (Boyle school), 7 miles southeast of O'Neill. The machine had been purchased by the teacher, Miss Catherine Boyle, and pupils. The school has been left unlocked as a matter of policy as it had been broken into frequently and repair bills were greater than the losses.



NAGEL COMING... Fran Nagel, quarterback on the 1950 edition of the University of Nebraska Cornhusker football team, will be a guest at the annual Holt county athletic banquet to be held in O'Neill on Wednesday, April 25. Nagel played in the East-West game at San Francisco, Calif., and climaxed his college football career in the all-senior North-South game at Mobile, Ala. Nagel was ranked as one of the best football passers in the land.

FOUND DEAD IN FLORIDA HOTEL

**Mrs. Sadie Brion Jones,
Former Ewing Woman,
Dies Unexpectedly**

EWING—A former Ewing resident died unexpectedly in a Tampa, Fla., hotel room Wednesday night, April 4. Dead is Mrs. Sadie Brion Jones.

Mrs. Jones, of Sarasota, Fla., was attending a meeting of the Eastern Star in Tampa when death came.

She was found dead on the floor of her room by a bellboy who had taken her a cup of coffee she had ordered a few minutes before.

She was a sister of Pete Brion, well-known Ewing resident who died a few months ago.

Funeral services were held at Ewing Tuesday, April 10, at the Methodist church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Louis Jones.

Among those attending the funeral were Mrs. Esther C. Harris, of O'Neill, and Mrs. Guy Cole, Mrs. John Conard and Mrs. P. W. McGinnis, all of Emmet.

30 Out of 36 Pass Physical Exams

Thirty out of 36 Holt county selective service registrants, who went to Omaha Wednesday, April 4, for preinduction physical examinations, were found fit for military service.

Meanwhile, Mrs. W. H. Hart, chief clerk for the Holt draft board, announced that nine men have been ordered to report for induction on May 2.

Already 56 Holt men have been furnished for the draft. The May 2 quota will raise the total to 65.

Snow Squall Forces Motorists to Go Slow

The winter isn't over—yet. O'Neill has been visited by snow squalls twice during the week.

Early Saturday there were snow flurries in the air. Motorists traveling on U.S. highways 20 and 275 Saturday morning between 9:30 and 10:30 o'clock were obliged to slacken their speed and proceed with lights on in the Inman and Ewing vicinities. Snow was so thick visibility was restricted to a thousand feet. The snow melted when it touched the ground.

About midnight Tuesday night more flurries filled the air and the ground was covered with snow early Wednesday. Official low temperature Tuesday night was 27 degrees.

The snow fall and last Thursday's rain netted about an inch of moisture.

Miss Birmingham Heard on Air

Miss Mary Louise Birmingham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Birmingham, appeared in Martha Bohlsen's place on a program called, "Martha's Cupboard," radio station WOW, O'Neill, Monday at 10 a.m.

Miss Birmingham was on the air for a half an hour.

She also appears regularly on television shorts over WOW-TV. Last fall she appeared on the "Voice of The Frontier" program (WJAG, 780 k.c.).

To California

Mrs. Alice Bridges left Sunday for a three weeks vacation in California. At Los Angeles she expects to visit friends and in San Francisco, she will visit relatives.

MRS. M. H. DIERKS BURIAL AT EWING

**Dies Thursday Evening
Following Linger-
ing Illness**

EWING—Mrs. M. H. Dierks, a longtime resident of Ewing, died Thursday evening, April 5, at 9:15 after a lingering illness.

Funeral services were held Saturday, April 7, at 2 p.m., in the Ewing Methodist church with Rev. C. C. Chappell, church pastor, officiating. Burial was in the Ewing cemetery.

Survivors include: Widower; daughters—Mrs. Laura Adrian, of Neosho, Mo.; Mrs. Viola Maupin, of North Platte; Mrs. Genevieve Tressler, of Ogallala; Mrs. Wilda Carr, of Holdrege; sons—Lyle P. Dierks, of Ewing; John Dierks, of Nebraska City, and Robert Dierks, with the navy, and who left Ewing only a few days before his mother's death; 21 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; sister—Mrs. Nettie Hutchins, of Ft. Scott, Kans.

Letha Lulu Glassburn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel O. Glassburn, was born November 1, 1876, at Valparaiso. She died at the age of 74 years.

When she was 4-years-old her parents moved to a homestead 2 miles west of Deloit, in Wheeler county, where she lived until her marriage to Merton Henry Dierks, June 16, 1897.

The couple lived on a ranch near Goose lake until they moved to Ewing in 1914. The family has lived here the past 37 years. Eight children were born to the couple, one of whom died in infancy.

Mrs. Dierks was a lifelong member of the Methodist church and active in its work. She was superintendent of the Sunday-school the past 22 years. She was a member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, Order of the Eastern Star, and of the Past Matrons club of the latter organization.

Among the out-of-town relatives and friends who attended the Dierks funeral were:

Mrs. Ernest Stidham and Mrs. C. G. Hutchins, of Ft. Scott, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. John Dierks, sr., Mary and Jerry, Mrs. Mary Mullen, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Mullen, all from Nebraska City; Mr. and Mrs. John M. Dierks, jr., of Omaha; Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Adrian and Kay, of Neosho, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Spencer and Mr. and Mrs. John Cantrell, of Wichita, Kans.; Merton and Myra Maupin, of Lincoln; Mrs. M. M. Maupin, of North Platte; Mrs. Wilda Carr, Mary, Connie and Pat, of Holdrege; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wressler, of Ogallala; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Mullin, Ed Verzel, Miss Anna L. O'Donnell, all of O'Neill; Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hixon and daughter, of Long Pine; Mrs. Elizabeth Honeywell, Mrs. John Honeywell, Mrs. Steven Shavlik, and Mrs. Donna Hubbard, all of Chambers.

College Students Appear in Program

The Women's association of First Presbyterian church met on Thursday, April 5. Mrs. C. E. Yantzi, president, conducted the business meeting.

Students from Hastings college had charge of the program. Miss Helen Horr led the devotions. Her subject was "Prayer." Miss Edith Alistadt entertained with two violin selections and was accompanied by Miss Rose Bremm.

The speaker of the evening was Miss Tatiana Nazuro, a DP student at Hastings college.

Hostesses were Mrs. L. A. Burgess, Mrs. Harden Anspach, Mrs. L. A. Carter, Mrs. Guy Cole and Mrs. K. C. Hunt.

The program was presented in the evening for the young people's group.

Feted Upon Departure For Navy Duty

Mrs. Richard Minton was hostess Friday evening at a party given in honor of her son, Dick, who recently enlisted in the navy.

The 16 guests included Leonyard and Tommy Troshynski, of Atkinson.

Cpl. Tommy Troshynski, who is stationed at El Paso, Tex., is home on furlough.

To Hear Book Review

The O'Neill Women's club will meet at 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 18, at the home of Mrs. Hugh Ray. Mrs. Harold Lindberg will give the book review.

J. B. Grady drove Mrs. Grady to Sioux City Saturday, where she boarded a bus for Ft. Dodge, Ia. She is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gray.

Mrs. William J. Biglin was called to Jackson Saturday by the illness of her mother. She returned in a few days.

2½-Months-Old Infant Dies

Linda Sue Trowbridge, 2½-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Trowbridge, of O'Neill, was found dead in bed about 5 a.m. Wednesday, April 11.

The child had been ill on Tuesday but late Tuesday evening the parents felt she had "improved."

She was born January 30 in O'Neill. The mother is the former Marion Pauline Boyle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Boyle, of O'Neill.

Survivors include: Parents; brothers—Robert Ray and Merritt James. The body is at Biglin Bros.

A graveside burial rite will be held at 2 p.m. today (Thursday).

O'NEILL PRINCIPAL ENTERS BUSINESS

**Howard Dean to Take
Insurance Post
in Iowa**

Prin. Howard Dean, of O'Neill public school, this week announced that he would leave the educational field at the end of the current term and enter into the insurance business.

Dean will locate at Carroll, Harlan or some other city in that section of western Iowa.

A month ago he was re-elected to the principalship of the O'Neill school but had not accepted the reelection.

Dean has spent a total of six years in the O'Neill school system. He came here in 1941 and taught until 1945, when he went into military service. He returned in 1949.

Mr. Dean is married and is the father of two children.

Meanwhile, the board of education as yet has signed no successors for either Supt. Ira George, resigned effective August 1, or for Mr. Dean.

The board met Wednesday night, April 11, to sign pacts with grade school teachers.

Young Musicians Invade City

About 1,500 high school students are taking part in the music festival now in progress here in O'Neill.

Piano entries were heard Wednesday, beginning at 3 p.m. The critic was James Reistrup, who is chairman of the piano department at Morningside college, Sioux City.

Other critics are Edward Kurtz, chairman of the music department, Iowa State Teachers college, Cedar Falls Ia.; Paul McCollin, chairman of the vocal department, Morningside college, Sioux City; Elwood Keister, vocal department, Iowa State Teachers college, Cedar Falls, Ia.

The festival will continue through today (Thursday) and Friday, with most of the instrumental soloists and small groups giving their performances in the high school auditorium.

Most of the vocal selections will be heard in the St. Mary's auditorium or the St. Mary's recreation room.

Class D bands, Royal, Page and Meadow Grove, will perform this morning (Thursday) at the high school auditorium.

Class C bands, Orchard, Atkinson, Stuart, Ewing and St. Mary's, will be heard this evening starting at 7 o'clock.

The festival will close with the performance of the class B bands Friday evening. The bands to be heard are Rock county, Neligh, Valentine, Ainsworth and O'Neill.

John Carl Draws 30 Days for Assault

In Justice H. W. Tomlinson's police court Friday, John Carl, 45, of O'Neill, was found guilty of assault with intent to do bodily harm. He was sentenced to 30 days in the Holt county jail and must pay court costs.

Carl was lodged in jail about 1:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 3, following an incident at the corner of Fourth and Douglas streets.

Billy Mohr, of O'Neill, the victim of Carl's assault, was taken to O'Neill hospital for treatment and was kept in the hospital for several days. Carl must also pay Mohr's medical expenses in connection with injuries that resulted from the incident.

Meeting Tonight

There will be a regular meeting of the Eastern Star tonight (Thursday).



A LITTLE GIRL WITH A BIG HEART... Betty Lou Knower, 3, granddaughter of Mrs. Frank Pribil, of O'Neill, was all smiles having made her contribution to the Greater Lynn, Mass., 1951 heart campaign. This photograph of Betty Lou appeared in several Massachusetts newspapers. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Knower, of Lynn. Mrs. Knower is the former Ann Pribil, of O'Neill.



L. M. Diehlman... files resignation.—The Frontier Photo.

Diehlman Leaves; Council Vacancy

Departure from O'Neill last Thursday of L. M. Diehlman leaves a First ward vacancy on the O'Neill city council.

Diehlman filed his resignation in writing at a meeting of the council Wednesday night, April 4.

Manager of the Tri-State Produce company plant here since February, 1948, Diehlman will go to Phoenix, Ariz., to enter the wholesale egg business for himself.

Mayor J. E. Davis said Wednesday no appointment had been made to fill the vacancy. The appointee will serve for one year.

Temperance Speaker to Be Heard

Maj. Clayton M. Wallace, of Washington, D. C., will speak at 2:30 p.m. Friday, April 13, at the Methodist church.

Major Wallace's appearance is under the auspices of the Temperance League of Nebraska, Rev. V. R. Bell, church pastor, said.

Rebekahs Hold Initiation Friday

Five new members were initiated into Eden Rebekah lodge Friday evening. They were: Mrs. Carl Schenzel, Mrs. Lloyd Liedke, Mrs. Roy D. Johnson, Mrs. Melvin Klingler and Mrs. Harold Strong.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Edward Henry Albrecht, 24, of Atkinson, and Miss Marion Blanche Gibson, 21, of Mawer, Sask., Canada, April 4.

Gilbert John Shald, 26, and Miss Mary Lorraine Ulrich, 18, both of Stuart, April 6.

Tommie Frank Boska, 26, Miss Deloris Arlene Black, 19, both of Spencer, April 9.

Move Recently

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Eby and sons are now in their new home.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Lorenz and Loren and Lorene, of Norfolk, visited Mr. and Mrs. Dale Fetrow Sunday.

Red Cross Drive Moves into Stretch

The annual American Red Cross membership and fund-raising drive this week entered into the final stretch, according to Mrs. Thomas J. Sullivan, of O'Neill, county chairman.

"In O'Neill the drive is well over the half-way mark," Mrs. Sullivan explained, "but greater rural response is needed in order to assure a successful campaign."

Holt county rural people have been solicited by direct mail.

Mrs. Virgil Laursen heads the door-to-door canvass in O'Neill.

The downtown committee includes: Mrs. Gene Cantlon, Mrs. Leigh Reynolds, Mrs. Vern Reynolds, Mrs. Robert Kurtz, Mrs. Norman Gonderinger, Mrs. Dale Kersenbrock.

Courthouse committee: Mrs. Claressa Sullivan.

Group II: Mrs. Bernard Allen (chairman), Mrs. Clyde Bates, Mrs. John Havelka, Mrs. Charles Lawrence, Mrs. Dale Fetrow, Mrs. Levi Fuller, Mrs. Lynus Howard.

Group III: Mrs. Elgin Ray (chairman), Mrs. D. D. DeBolt, Mrs. Fred Saunto, Mrs. Earl Rodman, Mrs. Noel Long, Mrs. John H. McCarville, Mrs. W. W. Waller, Mrs. Harrison Bridge.

Group IV: Mrs. Lee Brady (chairman), Mrs. Annie Doering, Mrs. Norbert Clark, Mrs. Dwight Harder, Mrs. Arlo Hiatt, Mrs. Norman Medcalf, Mrs. Orville Cromwell, Mrs. Reed Herley, Mrs. Joe Stutz.

Group V: Mrs. Palmer Skulborstad (chairman), Mrs. John Donohoe, Mrs. Floyd Wilson, Mrs. Larry Johnson, Mrs. M. E. Simonson, Mrs. Theodore Strong, Mrs. E. F. Adamson, Mrs. George Klein and Mrs. Samuel Grasmick.

O'Neill Man Promoted in Firm

The J. M. McDonald Co., of Burlington, Colo., announces the employment of George S. Layh, of Ainsworth, as assistant manager. Mr. Layh has had several years experience in the retail dry goods and furnishing business. He spent three years with the J. M. McDonald Co., store here prior to his entry into military service in 1945. After completion of his service, he returned to the company for nine months.

Mr. and Mrs. Layh have a 2½-year-old daughter, Lynn. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Layh.

Reports to Duty Aboard USS Powell

Alford L. Rockford, fireman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Rockford, of O'Neill, recently reported for duty aboard the destroyer USS Powell, operating with the Pacific fleet.

Rockford entered the Navy September 24, 1947, and received his recruit training at the naval training center, San Diego, Calif.

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FROST 'BOILS' DAMAGE ROADS

**Motorists Find Many
Bad Spots on U.S.
Highways 20-275**

Extensive deterioration of hardsurfaced highways in the O'Neill region is causing widespread concern among motorists. Most of the damage is attributed to frost "boils"—the result of frost coming out of the ground and softening the oil surfacing—and "breakouts." Traffic aggravates the situation and repair crews will be hard pressed to keep up with the deterioration.

West of Emmet on U.S. highway 20 there are several "bad spots," one through the bottomland extending for about a mile and a quarter.

U.S. highway 281, south of O'Neill, is troubled with "boils," particularly near Dry creek. On the gravel portions of 281 the "boils" are so numerous they cannot be counted.

As a result, the road has been closed the past week. Most of the difficulty is to be found between the Chambers junction and the Holt - Wheeler county line.

There are two bad "boils" on highway 275 west of Ewing, and numerous spots between Ewing and Norfolk.

A spokesman for the highway department explains the "boils" as a result of "hydraulic" action. There is surplus underground water. Pressure brought on by traffic forces the water up.

Frost coming out of the ground produces a similar softness.

State highway 11 south of Atkinson parallels 281 literally and in regard to deterioration.

A highway department contract for maintenance gravel resurfacing 14 miles of highway 11, south of Butte, was awarded Friday to Atkinson Sand & Gravel. The Atkinson firm is to receive \$4,708 for supplying and placing about 2,200 cubic yards of gravel from the intersection of highways 11 and 12 near Butte south 14 miles.

Ewing Dedicates Church Addition

EWING—The new fellowship and education hall of the United Presbyterian church of Ewing was dedicated Sunday marking the fulfillment of a long-cherished plan of the congregation. Rev. Harold E. Lobough, synodical superintendent of missions for Nebraska and Kansas, was the principal speaker.

A fellowship dinner followed the morning service, after which the congregation went to the sanctuary for the opening of the building project. Rev. Elaine Miller, of Orchard, sang "Bless This House," after which Mr. Lobough spoke on the subject, "The Worth of the Church."

After the congregation had retired to the new addition Ralph Shrader, chairman of the building committee, gave a history of the building project. Rev. John Graham, minister of the church, expressed appreciation to those who had assisted in the project and then offered the dedicatory prayer. The congregation sang "Blest Be the Tie that Binds," after which Mr. Graham gave the benediction.

Claryce Johnson to Go to Girls' State

Miss Claryce Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Johnson, of Walnut, has been chosen as Cornhusker girls' state representative by Simonson unit 93 of the American Legion auxiliary.

Girls' state will be held at Lincoln in June.

Miss Johnson is an O'Neill high school junior Her alternate is Miss Shirley Tietfort, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Tietfort.

Fix Date for Carnival-Dinner

Thursday, April 19, is the date set for the carnival and dinner sponsored by the Altar Society of St. Patrick's Catholic church.

The carnival festivities will begin at 2:30 p.m. in the gymnasium at St. Mary's academy and the dinner will be served from 5 until 8 p.m.

Everyone is welcome.

Disaster Officials to Confer at Norfolk

A district meeting of disaster officials will be held at Norfolk on Tuesday, April 17.

Glea H. Wade, of O'Neill, is Holt county's disaster chairman.